



J/70 MIDWINTER CHAMPIONSHIP 2023
NOTICE OF RACE
March 23 – 26, 2023

The organizing authority (OA) is Twelve USA, INC. and J/70 Class Association. The regatta village and regatta office are at Shake-A-Leg Miami, 2620 South Bayshore Drive, Miami, Florida 33133.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. No US Sailing prescriptions will apply except: RRS 61.4, Appendix R, and prescriptions to RRS 60.3, 61.4, 67, 70.5(a), and 76.1.
- 1.3. World Sailing's Equipment Rules of Sailing 2021 – 2024 (ERS) will apply. [DP]
- 1.4. The current IJ70CA Class Rules (J70CR) including Part III, Sections I.3 (Outside Assistance), I.4 (Corinthian Division), and I.5 (One-Pro Division) will apply. [DP]
- 1.5. The current IJ70CA Regatta Regulations (J70RR) will apply. [NP]
- 1.6. The current IJ70CA Equipment Regulations (J70RR) will apply. [DP]
- 1.7. The Sailing Instructions (SI) may contain changes to other rules.
- 1.8. The notation '[DP]' in this NoR or in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Jury, be different from disqualification.

2. ADVERTISING:

- 2.1. Boats are required to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with World Sailing Advertising Code, Regulation 20. Materials and instructions for application will be provided at check-in. Display of any other advertising on a boat other than that permitted in Regulation 20.7 requires the written consent of the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. Entry for the 2023 J/70 Midwinters Championship will be online at:
<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15468>
- 3.2. The event is open to all boats of the J/70 Class that conform to the Class Rules
- 3.3. Entry is not completed until all FEES are paid, all crew have signed the WAIVER of LIABILITY and proof of INSURANCE is provided.
- 3.4. The PERSON IN CHARGE, RRS 46, will submit at check-in a cell phone number for immediate communication with the boat while ashore.
- 3.5. A maximum of 65 boats will be accepted as confirmed entries based on the order in which their entry form and required fees are received. Additional entries will be put on a waiting list in the order in which they are received. To be placed on the waiting list the entry fee must have been paid
- 3.6. Boats that are on the waiting list will be notified that their entry has been accepted as space becomes available. If their entry cannot be accepted, their entry fee will be refunded in full.

4. CATEGORIZATION:

- 4.1. In accordance with RRS 79, ISAF Regulation 22, Sailor Categorization Code will apply. Reference CR C.3.2.
- 4.2. All drivers and all crew shall register their ISAF Sailor ID and Categorization via the regatta website by the end of check-in.
- 4.3. A representative of the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission may be present during check-in and may perform spot checks.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The deadline for entry and payment is **February 22, 2023**. Late entries will be subject to an additional \$100.00 late fee
 - J/70 Class: \$650.00 for (\$750.00 after 2/22/23)
- 5.2. The entry fee is refundable, minus a \$75 handling fee, if notification of cancellation is received and acknowledged by **March 18, 2023**. Entry fees will not be refunded after this date, unless the organizing authority decides to cancel the event in which case all entry fees will be refunded.
- 5.3. The Entry Fee Includes:
 - Invitation to all social events for the Owner / Charterer and declared crew members. (Additional tickets may be purchased).
 - Launch and haul out at berthing location
 - Inspection, as directed by the J/70 Class.
 - In water dockage from January 23rd to January 26th

- Three regatta race days.
- Awards and prizes.
- Buffet dinner at SALM for the Owner / Charterer and declared crew members on March 25th, 2023. (Additional tickets may be purchased).

6. EVENT FORMAT:

- 6.1. The OA will organize and manage the event in accordance with the J70RR. Failure to observe these Regulations shall not be grounds for redress. This change is added to RRS62.1(a)
- 6.2. All boats shall race as one (1) fleet.
- 6.3. Nine (9) races are scheduled. Three (3) completed races are required to constitute a Championship.

7. SCHEDULE:

Date	Time	Event
Thu March 23, 2023	1000-1700	Boat Inspections for boats in need of Manufacture Declaration only
	1000-1730	Registration at SALM
	1800	Competitors Meeting at SALM
Fri March 24, 2023	0830	Competitors Briefing at SALM
	1000	First warning, additional races to follow.
Sat March 25, 2023	0830	Competitors Briefing at SALM
	1000	First warning, additional races to follow.
	1800	Buffet Dinner at SALM
Sun March 26, 2023	0830	Competitors Briefing at SALM
	1000	First warning, additional races to follow.
	1400	No warning signal after this time.
	ASAP	Haul out after racing and awards at SALM

8. ON SITE CHECK IN AND INSPECTION:

- 8.1. All competitors shall complete on site forms and waivers during check in hours. Samples of these documents will be published on the regatta website
- 8.2. Valid and current written proof of insurance shall be presented at the on-site check in (See NOR 20).

- 8.3. All boats must complete the online IJ70CA Compliance Declaration form before the end of registration. During the event, all boats will be subject to additional inspections at any time.
- 8.4. Changes or substitution of sails shall be in accordance with CR C.10 will require the written consent of the Event Technical Committee.
- 8.5. Changes or substitution of crew will require prior written consent of the Event Technical Committee.
- 8.6. Changes to crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 8.7. Bow numbers will be assigned by the Race Committee and supplied to each participating boat at the time of check in. They shall be affixed to the hull according to the instructions provided by the OA.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

- 9.1. The sailing instructions will be available on-line on the ONB at Yacht Scoring a minimum of one week before the first warning signal.

10. VENUE :

- 10.1. The sailing venue will be in the vicinity of Dinner Key Channel Fl G 2.5s 5M "1".

11. THE COURSES:

- 11.1. The courses will be windward-leeward with weather offsets and leeward gates. A Racing Area Chart and Course Diagrams will be appended to the sailing instructions.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM:

- 12.1. Penalty At The Time Of An Incident. The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or RRS 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while within the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'
- 12.2. Post-Race Penalties. (a) Provided that rule 44.1(b) does not apply, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident. (b) A Post-Race Penalty is a 20% Scoring Penalty as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies. (c) A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by delivering to the race office a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.

13. SCORING:

- 13.1. Each boat's score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score if six or more races are successfully completed.
- 13.2. RRS A2.1; the word 'series' is deleted and replaced by 'event'.
- 13.3. RRS A2.2 shall not apply.
- 13.4. RRS A5.2 first sentence is changed to: 'A boat that did not start, sail the course or finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats registered.'

14. SUPPORT PERSON:

- 14.1. A *support person* agrees while on the water to monitor the race committee on their race circle's assigned VHF channel, to assist the race committee if requested, and accepts the provisions of RRS 4.1, Acceptance of the Rules.
- 14.2. The race committee or jury may warn a *support person* who in their opinion is about to infringe on a race before protesting under RRS 60.2 or 60.3(d).

15. BERTHING:

- 15.1. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places as directed by the OA and RC when either afloat or ashore.
- 15.2. The use of dehumidifiers is prohibited.

16. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS:

- 16.1. All boats shall be afloat by 1800 Thursday, March 23nd, 2023.
- 16.2. Boats shall not be hauled out and rudders shall remain in the water in their normal position until after a boat finishes their regatta, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Event Technical Committee.

17. COMMUNICATION:

- 17.1. The official notice board (ONB) is located online at:
https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm
- 17.2. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communication with the race committee on US VHF Marine channels.

- 17.3. On the water the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors by VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the sailing instructions.
- 17.4. From the first warning signal until a boat's last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make or receive voice or data transmissions not available to all boats.

18. PRIZES:

- 18.1. Prizes will be given to the top five finishers Overall and the top five finishers in the Corinthian Division(CR I.4).
- 18.2. Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams in One-Pro (CR I.5) and Mixed Crew Division. To qualify for Mixed Crew trophies, the boat's crew of 4 or more shall have no more than two (2) males over 18 years of age.
- 18.3. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

19. RISK STATEMENT

- 19.1. Before participating in this event every owner, competitor, and *support person* shall sign a Waiver of Liability posted at:
https://yachtscoring.com/event_documents/15468/EVENT_WAIVER.pdf
- 19.2. In addition to RRS 3, by participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. Among others these risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent catastrophic injury by or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

20. INSURANCE

- 20.1. A boat shall be insured with current third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of not less than \$100,000/300,000 per incident. A copy of the boat's coverage page will be submitted at check-in.

21. QUALIFICATION FOR SUSEQUENT EVENTS:

- 21.1. The 2023 J/70 Midwinters Championship will serve as a qualifying event for the 2024 J70 World Championship. The top Open and Corinthian teams will qualify to the 2024 J70 World Championship.

22. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 22.1. Competitors give absolute right for video footage and photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial, or advertising purposes.

Further Information:

❖ Storage

- On-Site Vessel Launching/Berthing:

- SALM and CGSC have sports reserved at their properties. This will be on a first come-first serve basis. CRYC and BBYC members can launch and berth there. Email info@bacardiinvitational.com for reserving your spot at either SALM or CGSC. Boats may arrive as early as March 23rd, 2023 and must depart by March 27th, 2023. Deviations from this time need to be prearranged with the Organizers.

- Extra Social Event Tickets can be purchased during Registration.

❖ Hotels – Please contact Elizabeth Kravitz at ek@zig-travel.com for special regatta rates.

23. EVENT MANAGEMENT AND FURTHER INFORMATION

Class Representative: Chris Howell howell@j70office.com

Event Director: Sara Zanobini sara@bacardiinvitational.com

Regatta Chairman: Mark Pincus mwpincus@aol.com

Principal Race Officer: Mark Foster mfooster1053@gmail.com

Coconut Grove Sailing Club: Andi Hoffman cgsgrace@gmail.com

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