

J/70 MIDWINTER CHAMPIONSHIP 2018
NOTICE OF RACE
February 21 – 25, 2018
Hosted by Coral Reef Yacht Club
Miami, Florida
Organizing Authority – Coral Reef Yacht Club and J/70 Class Association

1. RULES:
 - 1.1. The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the IJ70 Class Rules (CR).
 - 1.2. J/70 CR I.3 (Support Boats) shall apply.
 - 1.3. J/70 CR I.4 (Corinthian Division) shall apply.
 - 1.4. Only the US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 40, 61.4, 67, 76.1 and 82 shall apply.
 - 1.5. RRS 63.7 shall be replaced by – “If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the Sailing Instructions shall apply.” This changes RRS 63.7
 - 1.6. The Jury may impose suitable penalties, including Disqualification, for violations of the Class Rules, or other RRS Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.
2. ADVERTISING:
 - 2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA), in accordance with RRS 80 and ISAF Regulation 20.
3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:
 - 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the J/70 Class that conform to the Class Rules.
 - 3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and paying the required fees.
 - 3.3. The entry deadline is 1900 hours February 20th, 2018. Entries will not be accepted after the entry deadline.
 - 3.4. A maximum of 70 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.
 - 3.5. Boats that have entered and withdraw, in writing prior to 1900 January 20th, 2018, will receive a refund of their entry fee less a \$50.00 processing fee. Boats withdrawing after 1900 hours January 20th, 2018 will not receive a refund.
 - 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.
 - 3.7. To complete the registration process, the following required information must be entered online at Yachtscoring.com
 - The crew list with valid World Sailing Sailor ID and World Sailing Classification for drivers and all crew.

- Insurance information per NOR 20.
4. CLASSIFICATION:
- 4.1. In accordance with RRS 79, ISAF Regulation 22, Sailor Classification Code will apply. Reference CR C.3.2.
- 4.2. For Corinthian Awards, all drivers and all crew shall be current ISAF Group 1 competitors and shall register their ISAF Sailor ID and classification via the regatta website by the end of check-in.
- 4.3. Family Division
- Must have two or more family members.
 - Must have two generations represented.
5. FEES:
- 5.1. The entry fee shall be:
- US \$450.00 (includes skipper and three crew - \$75.00 per additional crew member) for entries received and fees paid before 1900 hours January 20th, 2018.
 - US \$525.00 (includes skipper and three crew - \$75.00 per additional crew member) for entries received and fees paid after 1900 hours January 20th, 2018. All prices are inclusive.
- 5.2. 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 (See NOR 15 & 16).
 - Inspection, as directed by the J/70 Class.
 - In water dockage from February 20th to February 23rd (See NOR 15 & 16).
 - Three regatta race days.
 - Awards and prizes.
 - Buffet dinner at CRYC for the Owner / Charterer and declared crew members on February 24th, 2018. (Additional tickets may be purchased).
 - Full guest privileges at the CRYC, including all on site dining and bar services using an CRYC guest card obtainable at the CRYC front desk. Florida Council of Yacht Clubs Reciprocity will be honored with the presentation of your club's card. **Parking at CRYC is for members only.**
6. EVENT FORMAT:
- 6.1. All boats shall sail as one fleet.
- 6.2. The Race Committee may use a 3-boat starting line as further described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.3. Three (3) completed races during the series are required to constitute a Championship.

7. SCHEDULE:

Date	Time	Event
Thurs February 22 nd , 2018	0900-1700	Boat Inspections
	1600-1730	Registration at CRYC
	1800	Competitors Meeting at CRYC
Fri February 23 rd , 2018	1000	First warning, additional races to follow.
Sat February 24 th , 2018	1000	First warning, additional races to follow.
	1800	Buffet Dinner at CRYC
Sun February 25 th , 2018	1000	First warning, additional races to follow.
	1400	No warning signal after this time.
	ASAP	Haul out after racing and awards at CRYC.

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 and sails must undergo inspection before 1700 hours on Thursday, February 22nd, 2018 in order to complete regatta onsite registration and check-in.
- 8.4. Changes or substitution of sails shall be in accordance with CR C.10 will require the written consent of the Race Committee.
- 8.5. Changes or substitution of crew, including changes to the number of crew, will require prior written consent of the Race Committee.
- 8.6. Copies of crew lists for all boats will be available for inspection during check in. Changes to crew lists, including changes to the number of crew, 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. Sailing Instructions will be available no later than 1700 on Thursday, February 22nd, 2018 at CRYC and may be online at the regatta website.

10. VENUE:

- 11. Attachment A1 shows the location of CRYC and the racing area in Biscayne Bay.

12. THE COURSES:

- 12.1. The courses to be sailed will be a windward / leeward configuration as described in the Sailing Instructions.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM:

- 13.1. Unless the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes RRS 44.2.

14. SCORING:

- 14.1. Scoring will be in accordance with RRS 90.3 and Appendix A2.
- 14.2. When five or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15. SUPPORT BOATS:

- 15.1. Support boats shall comply with CR I.3.
- 15.2. The Sailing Instructions may further limit the activities of support boats.
- 15.3. Support boats and operators shall register with the OA during check in.
- 15.4. While on the water support boats shall display prominently the flag provided by the OA.

16. BERTHING:

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

17. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS:

- 17.1. All boats shall be afloat by 1800 Thursday, February 22nd, 2018.
- 17.2. 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 Race Committee.

18. RADIO COMMUNICATION:

- 18.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones and any other device capable of sending and receiving any type of communication with the exception of GPS devices.
- 18.2. The Race Committee will endeavor to hail each yacht that is OCS on the VHF radio. The timing of such hail, the sequence of the hails, the failure to make the hails, or for the competitor to hear such an announcement shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

19. PRIZES:

- 19.1. Prizes will be given to the top five finishers overall and the top five finishers in the Corinthian Division (see NOR 4.2).
- 19.2. Family Division - First through Third Place prizes.
- 19.3. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND WAIVERS:

- 20.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.
- 20.2. The Organizing Authority or Race Committee will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Each person racing on board a boat entered in the regatta shall sign a waiver and release of liability at or before on-site registration and check-in. The Coral Reef Yacht Club, the J/70 Class Association and their members, volunteers, employees, officers and agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or the participation of any boat.
- 20.3. Skippers' waivers must be submitted with the on-line entry form. Crew waivers are submitted on-line at: www.spyc.org then link to Yacht Scoring site.
- 20.4. A link to the crew waivers will be available on the Yacht Scoring site.
- 20.5. It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to closing of on-site registration and check-in.

21. INSURANCE

- 21.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of US \$300,000 per event or the equivalent. A copy of insurance company documents establishing such coverage is current through the end of the regatta shall be supplied as part of completing check in.

22. QUALIFICATION FOR SUSEQUENT EEVENTS:

- 22.1. The 2018 J/70 Midwinters Championship will serve as a qualifying event for the 2018 J70 World Championship. The top two open teams and the top two Corinthian teams will qualify to the 2018 J70 World Championship to be held at Eastern Yacht Club, Marblehead MA on September 22nd – 29th, 2018.

Further Information:

Inspection Details:

- ◆ Each boat will be inspected for "Required Equipment, Sail Royalty Tags and Boat Compliance to Class Rules. Competitors can reference the Class rules for all "Required Equipment. This will be a dry inspection. (Boats have to be out of the water.) The signed inspection form must be submitted to the registration desk.
- ◆ Storage
 - On-Site Vessel Launching/Berthing:
 - CRYC has reserved 20 Spots for boat Storage. This will be on a first come-first serve basis (includes Florida Council members). Contact the Waterfront Director Stuart DeLisser at waterfront@coralreefyachtclub.org or (305 858-1733. Boats may arrive as early as February 21st, 2018 and must depart by February 26th, 2018. Deviations from this time need to be prearranged with the Waterfront Director.
 - Off-Site Vessel Launching/Berthing:

- Shake A Leg Miami – Contact Karis Starke At karis@shakealegmiami.org or (305) 858-5550 to make arrangements. Boats may arrive as early as February 21st, 2018 and must depart by February 26th, 2018. Deviations from these dates need to be arranged with Shake A Leg Miami.
- USS Center – Contact Pat Downy at usscmiami@bellsouth.net or (305) 854-1058 to make arrangements. Boats may arrive as early as February 21st, 2018 and must depart by February 26th, 2018. Deviations from these dates need to be arranged with USS Center.

◆ Guest Cards & Social Events:

- CRYC requests that everyone who does not have reciprocity get a Guest Card using a Visa or MasterCard credit card. This can be done at the CRYC front desk.
- Extra Social Event Tickets can be purchased at the CRYC front desk

◆ Hotels – Please contact the continental travel Group at ss@continentaltravelgroup.com or (305) 445-7791

A1 Racing Area

