



2023-2024 J/70 Winter Series at Davis Island Yacht Club

Regattas: Dec 01-03, 2023 – Jan 05-07, 2024 – J/70 Mid-Winters Feb 01-04, 2024

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Davis Island Yacht Club and the US J/70 Class Association

NOTICE OF RACE

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Amendment #1: changes in BOLD RED (NOR 3.5, NOR 12.3) – posted 12/06/2023

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. The notation '[DP]' in a rule means the Protest Jury may award a penalty other than disqualification. This is added to RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 [DP] [NP] In addition to other J/70 Class Rules (J70CR), J70CR I.3 (Outside Help) will apply. {See <https://j70ica.org/rules>}
- 1.3 For the Corinthian Division awards J70CR I.4 will apply and for the One-Pro Division awards J70CR I.5 will apply.
- 1.4 [DP] The J/70 Equipment Regulations (J70ER) will apply, except where altered by this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions. {See <https://j70ica.org/rules>}
- 1.5 [NP] The J/70 Regatta Regulations (J70RR) will apply, except where altered by this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions. {See <https://j70ica.org/rules>}
- 1.6 [NP] Bow identifiers will be assigned and provided by the OA and given to each participating boat at registration which shall be affixed to the hull according to the provided instructions and J70ER 6.
- 1.7 [NP] [DP] Parking on DIYC property is limited to members and those displaying a parking permit signed by the DIYC Club Manager. Registrants with a full season dry slip are allowed parking for one vehicle in the dry slip assigned to their boat. All other vehicles must be parked outside of the gate at the boundary of DIYC property. On Sundays, ALL non-member vehicles must be parked outside the boundary of DIYC property. The Organizing Authority retains the right to limit any individual or team's access to the club at its sole discretion.
- 1.8 [NP] Limited Coaching will be allowed between races.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions (SI) for each event will be available online 24 hours before the opening of on-site check-In.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online notice board is located on each event's Yacht Scoring site.
- 3.2 [DP] [NP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on standard channels.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee (RC) will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors via VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 [DP] [NP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmission and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.5 For unofficial but informative general announcements, you can opt-in to the WhatsApp group with this **QR code or link** (<https://chat.whatsapp.com/HN4qFKARhou7Wjj6Su3zwa>).



4 [NP] ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Each event is open to all boats of the J/70 Class that conform to the current International J/70 Class Rules.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and paying the required fees at the following sites:
Event #1: Dec 01-03, 2023 <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16121>
Event #2: Jan 05-07, 2024 <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16122>
Event #3 (MWs): Feb 01-04, 2024 <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16123>
- 4.3 Registrations for each event will be capped at 60 paid boats. A waiting list will be implemented if necessary. The waiting list will be sorted by date of paid registration followed by unpaid registrations. The final number of entries will be at the discretion of the OA.
- 4.4 All participants in each event, including those who registered and made the required payments online, are required to report to the Check-In desk during the scheduled hours to confirm and complete their registration.
- 4.5 All competitors must complete waivers online or during Check-In hours.

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees (taxes included) and refund schedules are as follows:

Regatta	Entry Fee	90% if withdrawal on or prior to:	75% if withdrawal after:	50% if withdrawal after:	No refund if withdrawal:
Event #1	\$380	Nov 10	Nov 10	Nov 19	On or after Nov 23
Event #2	\$380	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 19	On or after Dec 23
Event #3 (MWs)	\$400	Jan 10	Jan 10	Jan 19	On or after Jan 23

5.2 An entry will not be considered final, nor storage confirmed until all fees are paid and all required forms are submitted.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 For the Corinthian and One-Pro Divisions, all competitors must satisfy the World Sailing Regulation 22 categorization requirements and J70CR I.4 and I.5, respectively.
- 6.2 Mixed+ teams shall be comprised of a minimum of 50% or more females per boat.
- 6.3 Changes or substitutions of crew during an event will require written consent of the OA, Protest Committee or the PRO. The number of crew may not be changed during an event.

7 [NP] ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

8 SCHEDULE

8.1 Schedule

Regatta	Activity	Date, Time
Event #1	Check-In Competitor Meeting First Scheduled Warning	Dec 01, 1000 - 1900 Dec 01, 1800 Dec 02-03, 1000
Event #2	Check-In Competitor Meeting First Scheduled Warning	Jan 05, 1600 - 1900 Jan 05, 1800 Jan 06-07, 1000
Event #3 - MWs	Check-In Competitor Meeting First Scheduled Warning	Feb 01, 1000 - 1900 Feb 01, 1800 Feb 02-04, 1000

- 8.2 There will be no warning signal made after 1400 on Sunday of each event.
- 8.3 A maximum of (6) races are scheduled for Event #1 and Event #2. A maximum of (9) races are scheduled for Event #3-MWs.
- 8.4 For each event, practice races may be held on the day before the first day of scheduled racing.

9 [NP] [DP] EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

9.1 At or before the close of Check-In, all competing boats must provide the following:

- a) A complete crew list entered on the event Yacht Scoring site, including current and valid World Sailing ID numbers for each crew member.
- b) Completed waivers for all members of the crew.
- c) A current and valid proof of insurance.
- d) Proof of a current and valid J/70 Manufacturer's Declaration. Any boat without a current and valid Manufacturer's Declaration prior to the event must contact the J/70 Class Office for further instructions.
- e) A J/70 Class Rules Compliance Declaration Form as described in J70ER 7. This form will be provided online to registered competitors by the OA shortly before the event and will require the signature of the skipper or person in charge.

9.2 Boats, equipment and sails may be inspected at any time.

9.3 Repairs, alteration or substitution of sails or equipment shall be in accordance with J70ER 10 and will require the written consent of the OA, Protest Committee or the PRO.

10 VENUE

The racing area will be on Hillsborough Bay approximately 1-2 miles south of the DIYC Clubhouse.

11 COURSES

The course will be a windward-leeward configuration and further described in the SIs.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 RRS Appendix V (Alternative Penalties) shall apply.

12.2 RRS Appendix T (Arbitration) shall apply.

12.3 **For Event #3 only, World Sailing Appendix UF (Umpired Fleet Racing) may apply as modified by the J/70 Class. Further details will be provided in the SIs for Event #3.**

13 SCORING

13.1 The scoring system in RRS Appendix A4 will be used.

13.2 For all three events, if four (4) or fewer races are completed a boat's event score will be the total of her race scores. If five (5) or more races are completed a boat's event score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.

13.3 For Event #1 and Event #2, one (1) completed race is necessary to constitute a regatta. For Event #3-MWs, three (3) completed races are necessary to constitute a regatta.

13.4 For the overall series to be scored, a minimum of two events shall be held and overall series scoring will be as follows:

- a) Competitors must register, pay and compete in a minimum of two events.
- b) The helmsman must be the same in all qualifying events.
- c) The same boat must be used in all qualifying events.
- d) A boat's series score will be the total of her finishing positions in her two best qualifying events. If there is a tie between two or more boats, each boat's finishing position in her two best qualifying events shall be listed in order of best to worst. At the first point(s) where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favor of the boat(s) with the best scores(s). If a tie remains between two or more boats, they shall be ranked in order of their last qualifying event. If a tie remains, trophies shall be awarded to all tied competitors.
- e) To qualify for overall Corinthian, One-Pro or Mixed+ series trophies, a boat's status (Corinthian, One-Pro or Mixed+) must be the same in her two best qualifying events.

14 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, RRS Appendix G shall apply.

15 [NP] BERTHING

15.1 [DP] Boats and trailers shall be kept in their assigned places while on DIYC property.

15.2 All boats must be in the water by 0800 on the first race day of an event and shall remain in the water until the end of the event, unless granted written prior permission by the OA, Protest Committee or the PRO.

15.3 Once launched, boats shall not use electricity without written consent of the OA, Protest Committee or the PRO.

16 [DP] HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of the OA, Protest Committee or the PRO.

17 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. 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 or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

18 [NP] INSURANCE

- 18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 USD per incident or the equivalent. It is the owner's inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to competing in the event.
- 18.2 Proof of Insurance shall be provided at the time of online registration. Proof of insurance will be required before boat storage is allowed.

19 PRIZES

- 19.1 For each event, trophies will be awarded to the Overall top three teams, the top One-Pro team, the top Corinthian team and the top Mixed+ team.
- 19.2 For the overall Winter Series, a trophy will be awarded to the Overall Series winner, the top One-Pro team, the top Corinthian team and the top Mixed+ team.
- 19.3 Additional prizes may be awarded.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: BOAT STORAGE

Storage sign-up will be opened at 0800 eastern time on September 01, 2023. There will be storage space for a maximum of 40 boats on the Davis Island Yacht Club property commencing on November 27, 2023. **All stored boats must be off DIYC property by February 20, 2024 to accommodate another One Design Class arriving.** The storage fee (taxes included) will be \$350/month for a total of \$1,050. Priority will be given to boats who have registered and paid for all three events.

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