



*Yacht Club de Monaco*

# Monaco Sportsboat **WINTER SERIES**

**2016 - 2017**



## **J/70**

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Initiated in October 2013, the Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series is a program of winter regattas, dedicated to one-design boats sailed by professionals and amateurs keen to prepare for the Mediterranean season at the highest level.

It is a concept that attracted a number of sailors from Italy, Northern and Eastern European countries who set up their winter quarters in Monaco between October and March. Following the success of the first two editions, the new season will start on 11th November 2016.

The Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series - J/70, organised by the Yacht Club de Monaco in collaboration with the J/70 Monaco Class, Association and the Fédération Monégasque de Voile will be divided into 5 Acts as follows:



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## 1 - RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and the J/70 Class Rules.
- 1.2. Life jackets must be worn at sea when the Race Committee display the IC Code Flag 'Y'. This rule applies to all series and to all boats. Infringement of this rule may lead to disqualification.
- 1.3. In the event of a protest, the representative of each yacht attending the protest in the protest room shall be the owner/helmsman. Category 3 sailors are not allowed in the protest room or to be in contact with the representative in the protest room.
- 1.4. A Jury boat may be on the water. Its actions will be defined in the Sailing Instructions. The Organizing Authority may decide to apply umpiring fleet racing following Addendum Q of RRS.
- 1.5. In order to speed up the protest's procedure, interview may take place on the umpire boat following the same procedures as per match race, team racing and medal race. Further details will be communicated in the Sailing Instruction.

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## 2 - ADVERTISING & MEDIA

- 2.1. Advertising must conform to regulation 20.4 of World Sailing. The Organizing Authority may ask competitors to display sponsor flag and/or sticker. Flag and stickers must be displayed from the day before and until the end of the event.
- 2.2. The Organizing Authority may ask competitors to install/carry on board electronic devices for event's media coverage.

## 3 - ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1. The regattas are open to all boats of the J/70 Class.
- 3.2. Pre-registration should be submitted to the Yacht Club de Monaco by completing the form online before the start of the event.
- 3.3. The registration is considered valid once the Race Office has received:
  - The signed Entry Form
  - Proof of a valid third-party liability insurance with minimum cover of €1,000,000 per event or the equivalent if expressed in another currency.

## 4 - ENTRY FEE

- 4.1. The registration fee for each event will be €200.
- 4.2. Registration fees include launching, hauling, berthing, Welcome Cocktail & Pasta Party for 4 people.
- 4.3. All fees are payable to Yacht Club de Monaco by Cash, Credit/Debit Card or Check during the Confirmation of Registration (see paragraph 5.1 for schedule).





## 5 - REGATTA SCHEDULE

- 5.1. For Acts 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 the schedule will be as follow:

### Thursday

9.00am to 12.00 noon	Crane Launch
2.00pm to 6.00pm	Crane Launch

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### Friday

8.30am to 10.30am	Confirmation of Registration
12 noon	First Warning Signal
After Races	Welcome Cocktail

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### Saturday

11.00am	First Warning Signal
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### Sunday

11.00am	First Warning Signal
After Races	Prize-giving
After Prize-giving	Haul Outs

- 5.2. Up to 9 races may be held per event. A maximum of 4 races may be held on any racing day.
- 5.3. In the event of a modification to the intended time of the first warning signal, the new time will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 8.00pm on the previous day.
- 5.4. On the last day of each Act no Warning Signal will be made after 3.00pm.
- 5.5. The social event program will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 5.6. THERE MUST BE AT LEAST 2 CREW MEMBERS at the prize-giving. Failure to comply with this requirement will incur penalties that will affect the entrant's overall results in the circuit.





## 6 - MEASUREMENTS

All competitors should observe class measurement rules. There might be measurement checks both before the start of the regatta and during the series.

## 7 - HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 7.1. All boats shall be launched before 6.00pm on Thursday. Boats may be launched on Friday before 11.00am but they need authorization from the Race Organisers.
- 7.2. Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the RC.
- 7.3. The hauling-out list may be published on the Notice Board by Saturday 8.00pm.

## 8 - SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available once registration has been confirmed at the Yacht Club de Monaco's Race Office.

## 9 - VENUE

Racing will be conducted in Monaco's bay.

## 10 - COURSE

The course will be a windward-leeward configuration. An offset mark will be used to windward. A leeward gate may be used to leeward.



## 11 - SCORING

- 11.1. The Low Point System of RRS Appendix 'A' will apply.
- 11.2. One (1) race is needed for the regatta to be scored as a single event and to be scored in the Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series 2016-2017.
- 11.3. When six (6) races have been completed, the worst score will be discarded.
- 11.4. Results of the Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series:
  - Boats attending the single event and scored DNS, DNC, DNF, RET will be scored one point (1) more than the number of boats that completed the single event registration. Boats not attending the single event will be scored one (1) point more than the number of boats entered the series at that date.
  - The Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series 2016/2017 score will be calculated by adding all the races completed in the series (including the races discarded for the single event results). The worst scores will be discarded as follows: 1st discard when 6 races have been completed; 2nd discard when 12 races have been completed; 3rd discard when 18 races have been completed; 4th discard when 24 races have been completed; 5th discard when 30 races have been completed, 6th discard when 36 races have been completed, 7th discard when 42 races have been completed. when 42 races have been completed.

## 12 - PRIZES

At each single event, prizes will be awarded to the first 3 boats of the event.

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## **13 - RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 13.1. During the starting procedure, in addition to sound and flag signals, the Race Committee may use VHF 77 channel to call out OCS sail numbers or bow numbers. The use of VHF radio communication or failure to do so by the RC, shall not be considered a valid reason for protest or request of redress in any case.
- 13.2. A yacht shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all yachts. This restriction also applies to mobile phones and any other devices.

## **14 - DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority 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.

## **15 - SUPPORT BOATS**

- 15.1. Support/Coach boat should contact the RO to find out if a berth is available. A fee may be required to moor in the YCM Marina.
- 15.2. Support/Coach boats must get accreditation from the Registration Office, leaving complete contacts.
- 15.3. The registration fee for a support/coach for each event will be 300€.
- 15.4. Support boats agree to be available for boat & people rescue at any time, and without delay should offer to assist any boat that is dismasted or sinking.

## **16 - INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with minimum cover of €1,000,000 per event, or the equivalent if expressed in another currency. Proof of insurance shall be provided upon registration.





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## 17 - PARKING

- 17.1. The Yacht Club de Monaco will arrange for one boat per team to be parked in Monaco from Monday 7th November 2016 to Friday 10th March 2017.
- 17.2. The Yacht Club de Monaco will not be held responsible for any damage to the boat while it is parked in Monaco.
- 17.3. If the boat does not race, parking will be charged at €500 per month for each month it does not race.
- 17.4. A parking space for your car/van will be organised by the Yacht Club de Monaco. The cost will not exceed €10 per day during the MSWS. The Yacht Club de Monaco will not be held responsible if your vehicle is parked illegally and fined or towed away.

## 18 - LOGISTIC & INFORMATION

For information regarding the racing and technical aspects or charter boats, please contact: [events@ycm.org](mailto:events@ycm.org)

If you need assistance or to take advantage of our pre-negotiated rates with regards to accommodation for your stay in Monaco during the Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series, please contact Amélie Sayers: [hotels@ycm.org](mailto:hotels@ycm.org)

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