



EYC/ICOYC Invitational Regatta

NOTICE OF RACE



**September 2 to 6, 2019
Marblehead, Massachusetts**

GENERAL FORMAT

The EYC/ICOYC Invitational Regatta is a fleet racing regatta held in J/70 Class yachts. The regatta is hosted by the Eastern Yacht Club in Marblehead, Massachusetts. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Eastern Yacht Club (“EYC”).

I RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Certain prescriptions of US SAILING to the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply and will be issued as an Addendum to this Notice of Race (“NOR”).
- 1.3 The current International J/70 Class Rules (the “J/70 Class Rules”) will apply.
- 1.4 Minimum Equipment: The minimum equipment required to be on board shall include:
 - One anchor and chain combined not less than 5kg in weight with at least 40m of rode with minimum diameter of 8mm;
 - One bucket of not less than 9 liter capacity; one manual bilge pump;
 - One operational VHF radio; one marine first aid kit;
 - One throwable flotation device;

- One main companionway hatch; one main companionway drop board;
 - Two fenders and two mooring lines.
- 1.5 Optional Equipment: Any equipment in addition to that listed in NOR 1.4 shall conform to the J/70 Class Rules.
- 1.6 WS Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22 will apply. Information on how to apply can be found at www.sailing.org/classification. The driver and all crew members shall have a valid ISAF Sailor Classification as a Group 1 competitor.
- 1.7 In addition to penalties that may be imposed by the Jury, the Sailing Instructions and charter agreement will contain language that permits the OA to remove from the regatta any Team that, in the opinion of the OA, the Race Committee or the Jury, is handling their yacht in an unsafe or dangerous manner.
- 1.8 RRS 62.1 is changed by adding new section (e) that applies to yachts and equipment in yachts provided by the OA as well as to all provided sails:
- (e) catastrophic physical damage not falling within RRS 62.1 (b) which was due to defective supplied equipment and which a reasonably competent crew would not have been able to avoid or promptly repair.
- 1.9 All approvals by the OA hereunder may be given by the Event Chair, the Sailing Director, the Primary Race Officer for the regatta or by others designated by the OA from time to time.

2 INVITATIONS, YACHTS, SAILS AND WIND RESTRICTIONS

- 2.1 All yacht clubs who are members of the International Council of Yacht Clubs (ICOYC) are invited to apply to the OA for inclusion in the regatta. Yacht clubs who are not members of the ICOYC may be invited to apply at the discretion of the OA.
- 2.2 The OA will arrange for the charter of private J/70 yachts for use by the participants; however, participants may bring their own yachts so long as such yachts conform to the J/70 Class Rules. Yachts brought by participants are subject to NOR 4.5, 4.6 and 6.2.
- 2.3 The charter period and charter fee are described in NOR 4.2 and 4.3. Sails for the regatta shall be provided by the OA. The sails will include a mainsail, jib and spinnaker. Other sails, including any sails that come with a chartered or owned boat, shall not be used or be on board unless, in the case of an emergency, approved by the OA.
- 2.4 All yachts shall be kept on moorings assigned by the OA beginning no later than 1800 on Tuesday, September 2 through the end of racing on Friday, September 6, unless specific exemption has been granted by the OA.
- 2.6 All yachts, including yachts brought by participants, will be standardized by the OA to ensure as level a playing field as possible. This includes, but is not limited to, the following provisions:

- a) Rigs will be tuned equally and preset by the OA before the regatta to match the provided sails. Rig tension shall not be adjusted by the competitors.
- c) Forestay length shall be preset by the OA and shall not be adjusted by the competitors.
- d) The OA may adjust the rig tune and/or forestay length of the entire fleet to match anticipated conditions.
- e) Competitors wishing to change any rig tuning adjustments shall request to the OA in writing that the change be made by the OA. Requests on the water may be made by VHF to the Principal Race Officer but a written report of the request shall be submitted immediately after coming ashore. The OA has final authority in deciding whether an adjustment will be made and will not be inclined to approve such adjustments.
- f) After September 1, 2019 competitors shall not clean the bottom of their yacht or cause or arrange for such cleaning.
- g) Yachts shall not be hauled from September 2-9 without specific permission from the OA.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Entry to the regatta is by invitation from the Organizing Authority to a "Team" from a yacht club. Invitations to sail in the regatta have been issued to all ICOYC member yacht clubs.
- 3.2 Acceptance Form & Deposit: Entry fees are set forth in NOR 4.1. Acceptance of the invitation shall be made by submitting the Acceptance Form attached hereto together with an entry fee deposit of US\$2000. The Acceptance Form should be mailed or sent by email to the Event Chair at the address appearing at the end of this NOR. The balance of the entry fee referred to in NOR 4.1 shall be due January 15, 2019. Once paid neither the deposit nor the entry fee balance shall be refundable.
- 3.3 Order of Acceptance: Based upon the availability of charter yachts, the Organizing Authority will award spots in the order of receipt of both the Acceptance Form and entry deposit. The entry deposit will be refunded to any invited Team for which a charter yacht is not available. The OA may in its discretion limit the number of teams to 10.
- 3.4 Crew List: Not later than August 1, 2019, each Team shall submit to the OA the following information for each member of the Team: club membership, date of joining the club, nationality and sailor classification. Registration for the event will not be complete until all information has been received, checked and verified.
- 3.5 Team Composition: Teams shall consist of eligible crew members as follows:
 - a) The crew sailing on the yacht shall comply with the requirements of NOR 3.6, 3.7, 3.8 and 3.9 unless specifically waived by the OA.

- b) Each Team shall sail with the same crew members each day except with the permission of the OA.
- 3.6 Yacht Club Membership: All members of the Team shall have been full members of the invited yacht club as of October 1, 2018. Spouses of such members and/or member's children under the age of 25 on the first day of racing are also eligible. Exceptions may be granted upon written application to the OA.
- 3.7 Nationality: All members of the Team shall hold a passport for the country of the invited yacht club's primary location. Exceptions may be granted upon written application to the OA.
- 3.8 WS Classification: WS Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22, will apply. The driver and all crew members shall have a valid WS Sailor Classification as a Group 1 competitor.
- 3.9 Driver: As provided in the J/70 Class Rules, the driver shall be a current member in good standing of the J/70 Class except in the case of an emergency involving the safety of the boat or crew where the boat may be steered by any crew member. Upon request, the OA is willing to help the driver become a J/70 Class member.
- 3.10 Crew substitution: After the Crew List is submitted prior to August 1, 2019, a substitution to the submitted Crew List may be made only with the permission of the OA, which permission will not be unreasonably withheld for changes made prior to September 1, 2019. After that time, permission of the OA maybe granted or withheld in the sole discretion of the OA.
- 3.11 Check-in: All Teams shall register during the registration times on Tuesday, September 2, 2017. Registration will take place in the EYC Sailing Center.

4 FEES

- 4.1 Entry Fee: The entry fee for the first 10 Teams submitting Acceptance Forms and making the deposit required by NOR 3.2 prior to October 1, 2018 is US\$4,000. The entry fee for Teams in excess of 10 or who submit Acceptance Forms and make the required deposit on or after October 1, 2018 is \$5000. Entrance fees shall be paid in accordance with NOR 3.2. Wiring information will be provided upon request.
- 4.2 Charter Period: The charter period is defined as Tuesday, September 2 through Friday, September 6, inclusive. All yachts shall be made available to the OA prior to the charter period in accordance with NOR 6.2.
- 4.3 Charter Fee: The fee to charter a yacht for which a charter is arranged by the OA is US\$2,500 and shall be paid in full no later than August 1, 2019 (unless extended by the OA). All Teams, other than those providing all their own boats in accordance with NOR 2.2, shall complete the charter agreement and pay the charter fee unless specific arrangements have been made with the OA. Details will be sent to Teams that will be provided a yacht through the OA.

- 4.4 Social Tickets: The entry fee includes 4 tickets to the Opening Reception, the Wednesday Cocktail Party and the Awards Banquet. Additional tickets will be available for purchase.
- 4.5 Insurance Fee: There is a mandatory insurance fee for all yachts, whether chartered or provided by a Team, to cover hull and rig damage and liability against third party claims. The insurance fee is expected to be \$300. The exact amount will be confirmed by June 30, 2019, and shall be paid in full no later than August 1, 2019.
- 4.6 Damage Deposit: In addition, all Teams, including those providing their own yacht, shall provide a damage deposit no later than August 1, 2019, via a check payable to “Eastern Yacht Club.” or a wire transfer. The damage deposit is expected to be \$2000. The amount will be confirmed by June 30, 2019. The deposit is a per-incident maximum and will have to be replenished after each incident. Any portion of the damage deposit that is not used shall be returned via check or wire transfer when all damage claims are settled.
- 4.7 Wiring Fees: Any wiring costs are the responsibility of the Team.

5 PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

Tuesday, September 2	1000-1600	Registration, Delivery of Boats, Practice Racing
	1800-1830	Captains’ Meeting (mandatory for helmsmen; all team members are invited) at the Sailing Center
	1830-2000	Opening Ceremony & Reception (Jacket & Tie)
Wednesday, September 3	1100	Race Day 1 - First Warning Signal
	1800	Daily Awards at the Sailing Center,
	1830	Cocktail Reception
Thursday, September 4	1100	Race Day 3 - First Warning Signal,
	1800	Daily Awards at the Sailing Center
Friday, September 15	1100	Race Day 3 - First Warning Signal
	1800	Daily Awards at the Sailing Center
	1900	Awards Banquet – Dinner (Jacket & Tie)

6 MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 Yachts may be inspected at random during the regatta.
- 6.2 All yachts, including those provided by a Team shall be made available to the OA to standardize the yacht in accordance with NOR 2.6 before 0900 on September 1, 2019 or if possible, prior to the regatta.,

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available no later than August 25, 2019.

8 VENUE

Races will be held off Marblehead in Massachusetts Bay.

9 COURSES

Drop mark courses will be used and defined in the Sailing Instructions.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Jury may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of the Class Rules or other non- Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1. Additional details will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

11 SCORING

11.1 Nine races are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 A yacht's series score shall be the total of all of her race scores. No score will be excluded. This changes rule RRS A2.

12 SUPPORT BOATS

Subject to any exceptions made from time to time by the OA, support boats, including coach and spectator boats associated with a Team, shall not have contact with a racing yacht from the time the yacht first leaves her mooring until after the last yacht has finished the final race of the day. All such boats shall register with the OA.

13 BERTHING

Moorings will be arranged for the fleet by the OA.

14 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams overall and to the top three teams in each race. Participation awards will be presented to each team.

17 MEDIA WAIVER AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1 All competitors shall sign a Liability & Media Waiver in the form to be provided as an Addendum to this NOR and submit it no later than registration.

17.2 Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority, its officers, directors, members, employees or agents nor any sponsors and affiliated companies will have any liability for damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

18 INSURANCE

All Teams, including Teams providing their own boats, shall meet the insurance and deposit requirements in NOR 4.5 and 4.6.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit the regatta website or contact the Event Chair or the Eastern Yacht Club Sailing Director.

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ACCEPTANCE FORM

Name of Yacht Club: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Primary Contact: _____

Primary Contact Email _____

Primary Contact Mobile _____

Primary Contact Phone _____

Secondary Contact _____

Secondary Contact Email _____

Secondary Contact Mobile _____

Secondary Contact Phone _____

Add Additional Contacts _____

The above referenced Yacht Club is pleased to accept the invitation of the Eastern Yacht Club to compete in the 2019 EYC/ICOYC Invitational Regatta. We have read the Notice of Race for the Regatta and agree to abide by the rules of the Regatta. We hereby confirm that our yacht club will enter the regatta with a team that meets the eligibility requirements and which is qualified to safely and competitively race a J/70 sailboat. We /___/ enclose a check payable to the Eastern Yacht Club or /___/ are contemporaneously sending by wire the \$2000 deposit required by NOR 3.2. The balance of the entry fee and other payments will be due in accordance with the NOR.

Name of Yacht Club

By: _____

Title:

Dated:

, 2018