Notice of Race

2022 J/70/Melges 15 Mixed+ Championship November 10-13, 2022

The Organizing Authority is the St Petersburg Yacht Club

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1	R	UL	ES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The International J/70 and Melges 15 Class Rules ("CR") will apply, including [J/70 Class Rules]
- 1.3 The J/70 Regatta Regulations ("RR") will apply.
- 1.4 The <u>J/70 Equipment Regulations ("ER")</u> will apply.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, will apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available online at www.yachtscoring.com

3 **COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at www.yachtscoring.com
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF Channel 63.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio Channel 63.
- 3.4 [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the J/70 and Melges 15 class whose skipper and Cat 3 J/70 sailors are current members in good standing.
- This is a Mixed+ only event. All teams shall be comprised of a minimum of 50% or more females per boat.
- 4.3 All competitors, including the driver, shall be listed on yachtscoring in order for a teams registgraiton to be complete.

- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter and submit the required fee, at <u>www.yachtscoring.com</u> by November 7th, 2022.
- 4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by the close of registration.
- 4.6 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA.

5 **FEES**

- 5.1 The entry fee for a J70 is \$350 and the entry fee for a Melges 15 is \$200
- 5.2 For entries received before 1700 on October 1, 2022, the early discount fee will be \$325 for the J70 and \$175 for the Melges 15.
- 5.3 Boats withdrawing before November 1st, 2022 will receive a full refund less a \$25 processing fee.

6 ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS

- 6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- [NP][DP] Bow numbers will be provided by the OA and supplied at check in. Installation instructions, which must be followed, will be provided. Melges 15 bow numbers should be included at registration.

7 CHECK IN

- 7.1 All boats will check in prior to 1800 on Thursday, November 10th, 2022. A boat will not be considered registered until all registration and check in procedures are complete.
- 7.2 The following documents must be submitted prior to the check in deadline:
 - 7.2.1 All crew must be listed in YachtScoring.
 - 7.2.2 Waiver: all skipper and crew shall sign waivers through Yachtscoring.

Day	Date	Time	Event
		1500-1800	Registration Open
Thursday	Nov 10 th	1800-2000	Skippers Meeting and reception
		20:00	J70's must be afloat
Friday	Nov 11 th	1000	First Warning
Saturday	Nov 12 th	1000	First Warning
		1000	First Warning
Sunday	Nov 13 th	1400	No Races to begin after this time
		16:00	Awards Ceremony

9 **EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

9.1 Boats may be inspected at any time.

10 **VENUE**

10.1 All racing will take place in the waters of Tampa Bay east of downtown St Petersburg.

11 COURSES

11.1 The course(s) to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

12 **SCORING**

Races will be scored in accordance with RRS Appendix A except that no race shall be dropped if fewer than 5 races are sailed. If 5 or more races are sailed, each boats worst score will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.

13 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the class rules, provided that the OA has approved her sail identification before the first race.

14 **BERTHING**

14.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the dry sail area and while afloat.

15 **HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

15.1 [DP] Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the technical committee.

16 **DATA PROTECTION**

16.1 Competitors give absolute rights and permission for any photograph and video footage taken of themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event, to be published in any media.

17 RISK STATEMENT

17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Racing Rule 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

As a condition of my entry in the J70 and Melges 15 Mixed+ Championship, and being fully knowledgeable of the risks of sailing a competitive sport, waive any and all claims, charges, losses and liabilities including those caused by negligence, against the St. Petersburg Yacht Club, their respective officers, trustees, contractors, employees and members, and against any and all volunteers which may arise from, or in any way be in connection with, the activities of the regatta and its organizers and sponsors. I further agree to be bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event.

18 **INSURANCE**

18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with 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, current through the end of the regatta, shall be supplied as part of completing registration and check in.

19 PRIZES

19.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top 5 finishers.

20 Race Officials & Contacts

20.1 Regatta Contact: Todd Fedyszyn Email: todd@spyc.org

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