



Notice of Race

2020 J/70 UK Class National Championships

Friday 11th – Sunday 13th September 2020

Hosted by the Royal Southern Yacht Club, Rope Walk, Hamble-Le-Rice, Southampton SO31 4BH.

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Southern Yacht Club (RTYC) in conjunction with the UK J/70 UK Class Association (UKJ70CA).

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- a. The championship will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020*, including the National Authority (RYA) prescriptions.
<http://www.rya.org.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Racing/RacingInformation/RacingRules/RYA%20Prescriptions%202017.pdf>
- b. Competitors should note that the Organising Authority implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The charter can be found on the RYA website at www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter
- c. Boats shall comply with the J/70 Class Rules, including I-3 (Support Boats) and I-4 (Corinthian Division).
- d. Class Rule C.3.1(a) The crew shall consist of 3 or 4 persons. The number of crew shall not be changed during an event. The changes Class rule C.3.1(a).
- e. Competitors are reminded, notwithstanding the crew limitations (NOR 1c.), of the government guidance on social distancing and other Covid19 measures, including those issued by the Royal Yachting Association and Harbour Authorities. [DP]

2. ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS

- a. Advertising is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 and the J/70 Class Rules.
- b. Boats may also be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]
- c. Bow numbers will be supplied, including instructions on positioning, and affixed to each boat. Bow numbers shall be collected from the Royal Southern Sailing Office on Thursday 10th or Friday 11th September, unless collection from the North Sails Cowes loft or an alternative arrangement has been agreed by email to sailing@royal-southern.co.uk. [DP]

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- a. The Championship is open to the members of J/70 Class as defined by the J/70 Class Rule.
- b. Corinthian entries - The entire crew, including the owner/driver, shall provide proof of a valid World Sailing Group 1 classification at the time of registration (J/70 Class Rule I-4).
- c. Entries will only be accepted via the event website <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=11820>
- d. The closing date for entries is 23:59 on Tuesday 8th September.
- e. When entries or entry fees are received after the closing date they may be accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.

4. FEES

- a. The entry fee per boat will be GB £220.00
- b. Entry fees will not be refunded after entry closing date, except if the OA cancels the event.



- c. The entry fee includes:
- Cranage for launching and lifting the boat
 - Pontoon berth during the event
 - Trailer storage during the event.

5. REGISTRATION

Registration will be online via Yachtscoring and all boats shall provide the following before racing:

- A completed Crew List including email contact details, which may be used for COVID-19 test and trace purposes.
- All competitors in the Corinthian Division must provide Cat 1 World Sailing Sailor ID for the helm and all crew.
- Each boat must provide valid and current written evidence of insurance as required by NOR 17.

6. SCHEDULE AND FORMAT OF RACING

The intended schedule is as follows:

Date:	Event:
Friday 11 th September HW 1823 3.8m	Registration 0900 – 1030 Racing: First warning signal 1230 (3 races intended)
Saturday 12 th September HW 0705 3.7m	Racing: First warning signal 1100 (3 races intended)
Sunday 13 th September HW 0911 3.8m	Racing: First warning signal 1100 (3 races intended)

- It is intended to sail up to nine (9) races.
- No warning signal will be displayed after 14:30 on Sunday 13th September.

7. BOAT MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTIONS

- Measurement and inspection checks may be conducted. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.
- Add after the first sentence of RRS 64.1: "When the **protest committee** after finding the facts, decides that a boat that is a party to a protest hearing has broken the measurement rules, class or equipment rules, that boat will either be disqualified, will be given a discretionary penalty or will be warned that each subsequent infringement will lead to a penalty." This changes RRS 64.1.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be published on ONB at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=11820> by Wednesday 9th September..

9. RACE AREA AND COURSES

- The race course area will be in the Central Solent area.
- The courses will be windward / leeward using laid inflatable marks with a target time of 50 minutes for the first boat to finish each race. Further details will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCORING

- The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply, including the following changes.
- When six (6) to nine (9) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst.
- Three races are required to constitute a Championship.

11. SUPPORT BOATS



- a. Coach and support boats must be registered during registration times with the OA prior to launching and acting as a coach or support boat. [DP]
- b. All registered coach and support boats shall carry on board and operate while on the water a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF channels and agree to assist the Race Committee if directed to do so. [DP]
- c. Specific coach and support boat instructions will be stated in the Sailing Instructions. [DP]

12. LAUNCHING AND HAULING OUT

- a. Boats shall be afloat by 1100 on Friday 11th September until the completion of the final race. Boats shall not be hauled out during this time, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee. [DP]

13. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats. [DP]

14. PRIZE GIVING AND TROPHIES

- a. A virtual event prize giving will be held on Sunday 13th September after racing. The format of the prizegiving will be advised in the Sailing Instructions.
- b. The J/70 UK Class Open Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.
- c. The J/70 UK Class National Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the highest-ranking member of the UKJ/70CA.
- d. A Perpetual Trophy for the J/70 UK Class Corinthian Open Championship will be awarded to the top Corinthian Team (Class Rule 1.4)
- e. A Perpetual Trophy for the J/70 UK Class Corinthian National Championship will be awarded to the top Corinthian Team (Class Rule 1.4).
- f. A Trophy will be awarded to the top mixed crew.
- g. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

15. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

Competitors automatically grant to the OA, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

16. DATA PROTECTION

By entering the J/70 UK National Championships you agree to provide personal data to the Organising Authority. The Organising Authority will process your personal data for the purpose of administering the event, in accordance with the Data Privacy Policy, details of which are available at <https://www.royal-southern.co.uk/>

17. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall ensure that their boat is adequately insured, against all third-party claims.

18. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;



- c. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- d. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats if any and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f. The provision of patrol boat cover if any is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be provided in the circumstances;
- g. It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

16. COVID STATEMENT

- a. By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the Royal Southern Yacht Club COVID-19 procedures. [DP] Key links are provided below.

Government: www.gov.uk/coronavirus and Royal Yachting Association

<https://www.rya.org.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/clubs/RYA%20Sailing%20%26%20Racing%20in%20Mixed%20Households.pdf>

End.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Sailing Office - Royal Southern Yacht Club
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SOCIAL EVENT

A J/70 Class BBQ will be organised on Friday 11th and a Dinner on Saturday 12th. These events will be arranged to follow CV-19 guidelines in place at the Royal Southern YC and advance booking will be required. Further details will be sent to all entrants.