

**2nd Annual**  
**U.S. J/70 Youth National Championship**  
**St. Petersburg Yacht Club**  
**November 16-18, 2018**

**NOTICE OF RACE-**  
**Amended October 2nd, 2018**

The goal of U.S. J/70 Youth Championship (USJYC) is to help develop and build leading-edge junior keelboat sailing programs across America.

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 RRS 63.7 shall be replaced by, "If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the Sailing Instructions shall apply." This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.3 As allowed by RRS 88.2, the US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 60, 63.2, & 63.4 do not apply.
- 1.4 J70 Class Rules Section C 1,2,3 and Section I.3 will be in effect at all times.
- 1.5 At all times while afloat, competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device.

**2 ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA) on the boat during the Regatta.

**3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The Championship is open to thirteen (13) qualified Youth Teams representing US Sailing recognized Sailing Clubs or Organizations.
- 3.2 Qualified teams will compete on provided J/70 Class sailboats. Boats will be identically rigged and tuned at "base settings". Teams shall comply with J/70 Class rules regarding sailing the boat.
- 3.3 12 Teams shall qualify for entry in the USJYC by being the top scoring Youth Team in the J/70 Class at one of the following Qualifying Regattas (QR):

1. Feb 15-18 Helly Hansen St Pete NOOD Regatta
2. Mar 7-11 Bacardi J/70 Invitational, Miami, Fl
3. Mar 16-18 Helly Hansen San Diego NOOD- San Diego, CA
4. Apr 12-15 Sperry Charleston Race Week- Charleston, SC
5. May 04-06 Helly Hansen Annapolis NOOD- Annapolis, MD
6. Jun 2-3 Cedar Point YC One-Design Regatta- Cedar Point, CT
7. Jun 08-10 Helly Hansen Chicago NOOD- Chicago, IL
8. Jun 15-17 Cleveland Race Week- Cleveland, OH

9. Jul 07-08 The Newport Regatta- Newport, RI
10. July 26-29 U-Gotta Regatta- Harbor Springs, MI
11. Jul 26-29 Helly Hansen Marblehead NOOD- Marblehead, MA
12. Aug 17-19 St. Francis Sportboat Regatta- San Francisco, CA

3.4 All crew must be aged 20 or younger as of December 31, 2018.

3.5 Clubs may enter one (or more) Youth Teams at qualifying regattas outlined in Section 3.3 by registering with the OA for scoring purposes, e.g. Team A, Team B, etc. Participating Teams will be scored separately in each race, (1,2,3,4,5 etc.), then race totals added up for each Team's regatta score.

3.6 A Sailing Club may enter the same or other teams in any number of the above qualifying regattas in Section 3.3 in an attempt to qualify an entry for their Team at the USJYC. However, only one (1) team may qualify per Sailing Club.

3.7 Eligible Teams may enter by completing the online entry form and paying the required fees to the OA for the QR regattas outlined in Section 3.3.

3.8 Each participating Sailing Club shall register all crew members of its Team and the Club's adult mentor/instructor/coach with dates of birth and contact information on the QR regattas website.

3.9 A qualifying Sailing Club's Team may substitute other youth members as crew in order to participate in the USJYC. If no team qualifies in any of the QR regattas, the OA shall reserve the right to independently select the replacement entry from any of the eleven QR regattas.

#### **4 CLASSIFICATION**

4.1 ISAF Regulation 22, Sailor Classification Code shall not apply.

#### **5 FEES & EXPENSES**

5.1 The entry fee for the USJYC is US \$500.00 and includes use of a J/70 class sailboat and dinner for 4-5 crew members Saturday night (additional tickets available for \$35.00 each person). Online entry can be found at [www.spyc.org](http://www.spyc.org).

5.2 All teams are required to provide a \$1000 damage deposit are regatta check in.

#### **6 ON SITE REGISTRATION, INSPECTION & MEASUREMENT**

6.1 All competitors must complete on-site forms and waivers during regatta check in.

6.2 Changes or substitutions of crew during the Regatta will require consent of the race committee. Copies of crew lists for all boats will be available for inspection during registration. Changes to crew lists will be posted on the official bulletin board.

#### **7 SCHEDULE**

##### **Thursday- November 15th**

- 1200-1300 hrs- Check in @ St Petersburg Sailing Center (SPSC)
- 1300-1600 hrs- North Sails clinic- on-water
- 1700 hrs- Skippers meeting (SPSC)

##### **Friday- November 16th**

- 0830 hrs- Mandatory briefing

1000 hrs- First warning  
1700 hrs- North Sails debrief

### **Saturday- November 17th**

0830 hrs- Mandatory briefing  
1000 hrs- First warning  
1700 hrs- North Sails debrief

### **Sunday- November 18th**

0830 hrs- Mandatory briefing  
1000 hrs- First warning  
1400 hrs- No warning signal after this time  
1500 hrs- Awards (immediately after racing)

## **8 MEASUREMENT**

8.1 All boats are supplied by the OA and have a valid Class measurement certificate.

## **9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

9.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration and may be posted online on the St Petersburg YC website.

## **10 VENUE**

10.1 Boats will be kept at the SPSC. Racing will take place on Tampa Bay.

## **11 THE COURSES**

11.1 Races will be short course, windward-leeward format, approximately 15-20 minutes long, with an option to finish downwind or upwind depending up on wind and current conditions.

## **12 SCORING & RACE FORMAT**

12.1 Races will be scored using the Low Point scoring system- RRS 90.3(a) for each race to determine the U.S. J/70 Youth Champion with the final score being the sum of the scores for all races sailed.

12.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.3 The race format will consist of a college-style rotation.

## **13 SUPPORT BOATS**

13.1 J/70 Class rule I.3 shall apply.

## **14 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **15 PRIZES**

15.1 The Perpetual United States J/70 Youth Championship Trophy shall be awarded to the Sailing Club of the winning Team to retain for a year.

15.2 Trophies will be awarded to the first 3 places and participation awards to all teams.

## **16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority (including the St Petersburg Yacht Club; Race Committee; Protest Committee; Sponsors; Volunteers; or any other affiliated organization or official) will not be responsible nor accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law and shall sign a waiver stating such.

## **17 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact:

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