J/70 World Championship
St. Francis Yacht Club
September 24 – October 1, 2016

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY
The Organizing Authority (OA) is the St. Francis Yacht Club in conjunction with the International J/70 Class Association (IJCA).

2 RULES
2.1 The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING), the rules of the International J/70 Class (IJCA) and this notice of race, except as any of these are changed by the sailing instructions or any appendices to the sailing instructions.
2.2 IJCA rules I.1 and I.3 will apply.
2.3 All competitors are required to wear a life jacket or other adequate personal floatation device while racing. RRS 40 is changed as follows: The “Y” flag will not be displayed.
2.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

3 ADVERTISING
3.1 Advertising shall only be displayed in accordance with Regulation 20 – ISAF Advertising Code.
3.2 Boats shall be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
4.1 The regatta is open to boats of the J/70 class.
4.2 All boat owners and drivers shall be J/70 class members in good standing.
4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form at www.stfyc.com/j70worlds2016 and paying the required fee no later than August 15, 2016. An entry shall not be considered complete until the entry form is completed and the entry fee paid.
4.4 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority and will be subject to a late fee.

5 FEES
5.1 The entry fee is US$650.
5.2 If an entry is accepted by the Organizing Authority after the deadline of August 15, 2016, a late fee of US$200 will be assessed.

6 REGATTA ORGANIZATION
The Organizing Authority may opt to split the fleet and run a qualifying series and a championship series if the overall entry number exceeds 60.
7 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7.1 DATE TIME EVENT
Saturday TBD TBD Measurement
Sunday TBD TBD Measurement
Monday TBD TBD Measurement
1400 1400 Warning signal for practice race
1800 1800 Competitors’ Meeting
1830 1830 Opening Ceremony and Reception
Tuesday 1100 1100 Intended first warning
1100 1100 After racing Social at St. Francis Yacht Club
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1100 1100 Intended first warning
1100 1100 After racing Trophy Ceremony at St. Francis Yacht Club

7.2 No more than four races may be sailed on any race day.
7.3 No warning signal for a race will be made after 1430 on Saturday. In the case of one or more general recall(s) when the initial warning signal was made prior to 1430, the race committee may display subsequent warning signals after that time.

8 REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

8.1 Eligible boats shall register with the organizing authority during the times shown in NOR 6.1.
8.2 All boats will be measured for compliance with ISAF measurement regulations and class rules.
8.3 All boats must be available for measurement during the times shown in NOR 6.1. It is the intention of the organizing authority to schedule measurement times for each boat. The event chief measurer may examine or measure any competing boat which is available in advance of the first official Registration and Measurement date.
8.4 All registration formalities, including payment of all Class and event fees, boat and sail measurement, and submission of liability waivers, are required to be completed by 1300 on Monday, September 26.
8.5 During competition, any boat may be subject to re-measurement or examination at any time.
8.6 After measurement until completion of racing, no sail shall be re-cut or altered, except that repairs to sails pursuant to all applicable rules are permissible only upon written approval of the chief measurer. All such sails may be subject to re-measurement on completion of repairs.
8.7 Technical and measurement issues will be decided by the international jury upon the recommendation of the class representative and/or chief measurer appointed by the IJCA.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and on the regatta website (www.stfyc.com/j70worlds2016).

10 COURSES & RACING AREA
10.1 Courses will be described in the sailing instructions. It is the intention that the courses will follow the guidelines found in the current IJCA “Race Management Policies for Major Championships”.
10.2 The intended race area will be the waters of San Francisco Bay.

11 SCORING
11.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A4, will be used except as modified below.
11.1.1 When 6 or more races are completed a sailor may discard their worst score.
11.2 Four races are required to constitute a series.
12 INTERNATIONAL JURY
12.1 An international jury will be appointed in accordance with Appendix N.
12.2 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION
13.1 All boats must carry a marine band VHF receiver capable of receiving normal international channels. Boats must use the radio to report retirement from racing and may use the radio to request assistance in an emergency. No other transmissions are permitted by competing yachts during each racing day from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day.
13.2 The race committee may use the radio to advise competitors of race information.

14 MEDIA RIGHTS
By entering this regatta, the owner (or charterer) and crew members on competing yachts grant at no cost the absolute right and permission to use their names, voices, images, likenesses, and biographical material, as well as representations of their yacht in any media (including television, print and internet), to the J/70 Class Association, St. Francis Yacht Club and event sponsors.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY
Competitors shall participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see Rule 4, DECISION TO RACE). The organizing authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16 PRIZES
16.1 The World Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.
16.2 A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the top corinthian team.
16.3 A trophy will be awarded to the top women’s skipper.
16.4 The Pacific Coast Yachting Association Jesse L. Carr Trophy will be awarded to the highest placed team from a PCYA Member Organization.
16.5 Additional trophys may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

17 INSURANCE
17.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole inescapable responsibility of the owner/owners’ representative. It is the responsibility of the owner to provide insurance for the yacht covering potential damage to persons or property.
17.2 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party insurance of minimum cover of US$300,000, and it is the owner or owner’s representative’s sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.
17.3 Evidence of insurance, as described in NOR 17.2, shall be provided at registration.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION
For further information please contact the StFYC Race Office at 415.655.7756, email racing@stfyc.com or visit www.stfyc.com.

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**BOAT & TRAILER STORAGE**

- All yachts competing in the event may be stored free of charge at the StFYC docks from Saturday, September 24 until Sunday, October 2.
- Trailers may be stored free of charge in the east parking lot adjacent to the club after obtaining a permit from the Race Office from Saturday, September 24 until Sunday, October 2.
- Any competitors wishing to arrive earlier or stay later than the dates outlined above must call the Race Office to check availability and make arrangements to do so. There may be a fee associated with this.