



MONACO OPTIMIST TEAM RACE 07-10 JANUARY 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

Organized by the Yacht Club de Monaco, the *Monaco Optimist Team Race* will take place from Thursday 07th to Sunday 10th of January 2021.

The Yacht Club de Monaco makes every effort to welcome participants in the best possible conditions, subject to how the current health crisis evolves and in accordance with the health regulations of the Government of the Principality of Monaco.

Competitors are required to follow the recommended barrier measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 (<https://covid19.mc/en/mesures-sanitaires-gestes-barrieres/>).

This Notice of Race may be subject to modifications which will be communicated on the website of the Yacht Club de Monaco.

If the event is cancelled due to travel restrictions relating to the health emergency, the entry fee will be refunded in full.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the “Racing Rules of Sailing” including Appendix D (Single Flag Protest procedure), the Sailing Instructions and any amendment made by the Organising Authority, the Race Officer, the Umpires or the Jury.
- 1.2. Personal flotation device will be compulsory when at sea for all competitors and coaches.

2. Advertising

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Yacht Club de Monaco.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. The Monaco Optimist Team Race is an invitation only event.
- 3.2. A maximum of 16 teams will be invited.
- 3.3. Each team shall be composed of 4 sailors born between 1st of January 2006 and 31st of December 2010.
- 3.4. Teams may request an invitation by completing pre-registration online on the official website: www.ycm.org by Thursday 15th of October 2020.
- 3.5. The Organising Authority decides the teams to invite. The YCM race office will inform all pre-registered teams of their acceptance by the Organising Authority by Tuesday 20th of October 2020.
- 3.6. The registration fees of the admitted teams shall then be sent by the teams, at the latest, by 1200noon. on Friday 30th of October 2020, to the Race Office (see paragraph 13).
- 3.7. Late entries will only be accepted by the Yacht Club de Monaco’s at its discretion.

4. Fees

- 4.1. The entry fee is €800 for each team and includes:
- use of a new Optimist dinghy per team member for the duration of the event (as described in part 5),
 - Saturday evening Pasta Party,
 - one (1) apartment for 5 people per team in a self-catering apartment chosen by the Organising Authority (the nights of Thursday 07th, Friday 08th and Saturday 09th of January 2021).
 - breakfast (Friday 08th, Saturday 09th and Sunday 10th of January 2021),
 - packed lunch for each team (5 persons) (Thursday 07th, Friday 08th, Saturday 09th and Sunday 10th of January 2021),
 - transfers from and to Nice International Airport,
- 4.2. A deposit of €600 per team (€150 per boat) is required at registration confirmation on either Wednesday 06th or Thursday 05th of January 2021.

5. Boats

- 5.1. The Yacht Club de Monaco will provide a new Optimist for each sailor complete with rudder, dagger board, mast, boom, sprit and all accessories apart for those mentioned in 5.2.
- 5.2. MAIN SAILS AND SAIL TIES WILL NOT BE PROVIDED. Each sailor must bring his/her own main sail and sail ties. A mast lock will not be provided (A mast lock can be used at the competitor's discretion)
- 5.3. Two coach boats will be provided by the Organizing Authority and their use by each team's coach is compulsory during the event. Coaches will be divided between the 2 coach boats.

6. Qualifying and Final Series

6.1 The regatta will consist of a round robin followed by semi-finals and finals.

6.2 The Race Officer may vary the format of racing, terminate or eliminate any stage, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

7. Social & Sailing Program Schedule

Wednesday 06 January 2021

Registration Confirmation 12.00noon – 5.00pm

Thursday 07 January 2021

Registration Confirmation 08.30am – 10.00am
Official opening Ceremony (YCM Meeting Room – Quay level) 11.00am
First Race - Warning signal 12.00noon

Friday 08 January 2021

First Race - Warning signal 10.00am

Saturday 09 January 2021

First Race - Warning signal 10.00am

Sunday 10 January 2021

First Race - Warning signal 10.00am
Prize Giving (YCM Meeting Room – Quay level) 4.00pm

8. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available following completion of registration from 7.00pm on Wednesday 6 January 2021 from the Race Office.

9. Prizes

Teams will compete for the “Monaco Optimist Team Race” trophy.

Prizes will be given to the top three ranked teams.

10. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors are totally responsible for their own safety, at sea and ashore, without exception. It is for competitors to decide whether their boat, the equipment on it and themselves are fit to sail in the conditions.

By launching or going at sea, competitors are confirming their boat is fit for the conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them. Nothing done by the organisers will reduce the responsibility of the competitors, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury; however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the event, be it before, during or after the event. The provision of safety boats does not relieve competitors of their responsibilities.

11. Insurance

Each sailor shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €1,000,000.00 (1 million Euros) or equivalent.

12. Media & Image rights waiver

Monaco Optimist Team Race participants authorise the Yacht Club de Monaco to use any media it deems necessary for its commercial purposes. By entering this regatta, competitors grant the absolute right and permission to use their names, voices, images, likenesses as well as representations of their boats in any media published.

13. Further Information

For further information please contact the Yacht Club de Monaco: Website: www.ycm.org

Guillaume Dubos: +377 93 10 64 02 Email: g.dubos@ycm.org

For accommodation enquiries contact us: Tel: +377 93 10 64 07 Email: hotels@ycm.org