

## Avis de Course – Notice of Race

### 12<sup>th</sup> MONACO OPTIMIST TEAM RACE

11-15 JANUARY 2023

Organized by the Yacht Club de Monaco, the *Monaco Optimist Team Race* will take place from Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

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 1<sup>st</sup> January 2008 and 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2012.
- 3.4. Each team should have a gender mix which must be respected without precise quota.
- 3.5. Teams may request an invitation by completing pre-registration online on the official website: [www.ycm.org](http://www.ycm.org) before the 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022.
- 3.6. 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 before Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022.
- 3.7. The registration fees of the admitted teams shall be paid by 12noon on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022, to the Race Office (payment link to be provided directly by organizers).
- 3.8. 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),
- an evening Crew Party (7.00pm),
- one (1) apartment for 5 people per team in a self-catering apartment chosen by the Organizing Authority (Check-in on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>, Check-Out on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023).
- breakfast included at the self-catering apartment.
- packed lunch for each team (5 people) (from Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023),

##### 4.2. An additional deposit of €600 per team (€150 per boat) is required at registration confirmation on either Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> afternoon or Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023 before 10.00am.

#### 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 11 JANUARY 2023

Registration Confirmation	12.00 noon – 5.00pm
Official opening Ceremony (YCM Meeting Room – Quay level)	6.00pm

##### THURSDAY 12 JANUARY 2023

Registration Confirmation	09.00am – 10.00am
First Race - Warning signal	11.00am

##### FRIDAY 13 JANUARY 2023

First Race - Warning signal	10.00am
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##### SATURDAY 14 JANUARY 2023

First Race - Warning signal	10.00am
Crew Party	7.00pm

##### SUNDAY 15 JANUARY 2023

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 5.00pm on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023 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 organizers will reduce the responsibility of the competitors, nor will it make the organizers 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 authorize 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:

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