



MONACO SPORTSBOAT WINTER SERIES



Notice of Race

Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series 2026 – 2027

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ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series is organised by the Yacht Club de Monaco in collaboration with the Fédération Monégasque de Voile (FMV) and the Fédération Française de Voile (FFV).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.
- 1.3 For all other classes applicable rules will be confirmed in an amendment once the class participation is confirmed by the Race Committee (see paragraph 4.1 for eligibility).

2. ADVERTISING & MEDIA

- 2.1 Boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organisation Authority in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.4.
- 2.2 The Organising Authority may require competitors to install/carry on-board electronic devices for the event's media coverage.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the J/70 Class, and to other One Design Classes, on request.



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- 3.2 A minimum of 8 boats per class will be required by Act – this minimum also applies to the Corinthian division to benefit from a separate ranking.
- 3.3 Additional One Design classes interested in participating can contact the Organizing Authority at least one month before each act.
- 3.4 Competitor pre-registration should be submitted to the Yacht Club de Monaco by completing the online form. Registrations will open the 1st of August 2026.
- 3.5 The registration will be considered valid once the Race Office has received:
- a) The signed Entry Form.
 - b) Each sailor national authority license, if applicable, and each sailor's World Sailing Sailors ID.
 - c) Proof of a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €1,000,000 per event or the equivalent in another currency.
- 3.6 All registration should be confirmed by 18.00 on Thursday. Registration confirmation may be accepted Friday before 10.00 at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 3.7 Corinthian Division - as per RRS 79 and World Sailing Categorization Code, all crew members, including the owner, shall hold a valid Group 1 Categorization status within the registration time limit (as per NOR 6.2). The categorization shall be valid until the end of the event.
At registration confirmation and within its time limit, the person in charge shall request the boat to be entered in the Corinthian Division.
Failure to comply with one or more of requirements above shall result in the exclusion of the boat from the Corinthian Division ranking.
- 3.8 The Vakaros RaceSense system will be employed by the Race Committee, and the associated data will be made available to all competing boats. Use of the system is mandatory for all participants.

RaceSense trackers may be reserved and rented on-site.

4. FEES

- 4.1 Entry fee per sportsboat for each class will be as shown below. Note - a seasonal entry fee is offered to all boats participating in the entire Winter Series.

ENTRY FEE FOR THE FULL WINTER SERIES	ALL 4 ACTS
J/70	€1,200
ENTRY FEE FOR SINGLE ACT	PER ACT
J/70	€400

- 4.2 The Entry fee includes launching, hauling, berthing, Welcome cocktail, Crew Party and Prize Giving.



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4.3 All entry fees are payable to the Yacht Club de Monaco by credit card or by bank transfer. Please ensure the payment reference contains: **“MSWS + class + boat name + sail number”**.

- **Credit card payment link**
<https://vad.ycm.mc>
- **Bank details:**
CFM - CFM Albert 1er
To: YACHT CLUB DE MONACO
Bank code: 12739 - Sort Code: 00070
Account number: 0124172000 L - Key: 37
IBAN code: MC 78 1273 9000 7001 2417 2000 L37
SWIFT code: CFMOMCM X X X X
Charges payable by sender

Payment can also be done on site, during registration confirmation, by cash, credit/debit card or cheque.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 The date of each act is as follows:

- Act #1 5-8 November 2026
- Act #2 10-13 December 2026
- Act #3 11-14 February 2027
- **Act #4 10-14 March 2027 (Primo Cup – Trophée UBS)**

5.2 The schedule for each act is as follows:

- **Thursday**

09.00 - 12.00	Crane launch
13.00 - 18.00	Crane launch
13.00 - 18.00	Registration confirmation
14.30	Practice race
- **Friday**

10.00	Skipper briefing
12.00	First warning signal
After Racing	Welcome cocktail
- **Saturday**

11.00	First warning signal
After racing	Crew Party
- **Sunday**

11.00	First warning signal
One hour after finish line closure	Prize-giving
After prize giving	Hauling out



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- 5.3 Up to 9 races may be held per act and a maximum of 3 races per day, unless racing is behind schedule, or the Organising Authority instructs otherwise.
- 5.4 In the event of a modification to the intended time of the first warning signal, the new time will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.
- 5.5 On the last day of each act no warning signal will be made after 15.00.
- 5.6 There must be at least 2 crew members per boat present at the prize-giving. Failure to comply with this requirement may incur penalties that will affect the entrant's overall result in the act and overall, in the Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series.

6 MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate upon request from the Race Committee.
- 6.2 Measurement checks may be performed either before or after the start of the Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series and during each one the acts.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available once registration has been completed by the Race Office.

8 VENUE

- 8.1 Racing will be conducted in Monaco's bay.

9 THE COURSE

- 9.1 The course may be a windward-leeward, trapezoid or any other course as decided by the Organising Authority.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Organising Authority may decide to apply RRS Appendix T – Arbitration and Fleet Umpiring Rules.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a result in any act of Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series 2026-2027.



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- 11.3 When five (5) or more races have been completed in a single act, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.4 Overall scoring of the Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series will be as follows.
- 11.4.1 Boats attending a single act and scored DNS, DNC, DNF or RET will be scored one (1) point more than the number of boats that completed registration of that act.
- 11.4.2 Boats not attending an Act will be scored one (1) point more than the number of boats entered the series at that date.
- 11.4.3 Each boat's score in the Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series 2026/2027 shall be the total of her race scores in all the acts (including the races discarded in the single act results) excluding her:
- a) worst score when 5 to 9 races have been completed,
 - b) two worst scores when 10 to 14 races have been completed,
 - c) three worst scores when 15 to 19 races have been completed,
 - d) four worst scores when 20 to 24 races have been completed,
 - e) five worst scores when 25 to 29 races have been completed,
 - f) six worst scores when 30 or more races have been completed

12 SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1 Support/Coach boats should contact the Organising Authority one week in advance to find out if a berth is available. A fee may be required to berth.
- 12.2 Support/Coach boats must register during confirmation of registration. Contact details and insurance information will be required.
- 12.3 The registration fee for a support/Coach boats will be €100 for each act.
- 12.4 Support/Coach boats shall be displaying the coach flag supplied by the Organizing Authority.
- 12.5 Support/Coach boat agree to be available to offer assistance or rescue without to any boat or crew in trouble as may be requested by the Race Committee or any other official vessel at any time.

13 BERTHING

- 13.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned berths while they are in the YCM Marina.

14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 14.1 All boats shall be launched before 18.00 on Thursday. Boats may be launched on Friday before 11.00 at the discretion of the Organising Authority.



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- 14.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the act except with and according to the written terms agreed at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 14.3 A hauling out order may be published on the Notice Board by Saturday 20.00. In which case, the boats will be hauled out in the order published.
- 14.4 Craning is included in the entry fee for boats equipped with a **road trailer**. Boats equipped with a **fix cradle** will not be taken in charge by the Yacht Club de Monaco and are invited to contact a nearby boatyard. These additional handling costs are not included in the entry fee.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency or as provided in 2.2, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

16 PRIZES

- 16.1 At the end of each act, prizes will be given to the first 3 boats in each class.
- 16.2 The awards ceremony for the Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series 2026-2027 final ranking will be held at YCM on Saturday, March 13th, 2027, during the Primo Cup Crew Party.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta Monaco Sportsboat Winter Series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

18 INSURANCE

Each boat participating shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with minimum cover of €1,000,000 per incident, or the equivalent in another currency. Proof of insurance shall be provided at registration.

19 BOAT STORAGE

- 19.1 The Yacht Club de Monaco will arrange for one boat per team to be stored ashore in Monaco from Thursday 5th of November 2026 to Monday 15th of March 2027.
- 19.2 The Yacht Club de Monaco will not be held responsible for any damage to the boat or its equipment while it is stored ashore in Monaco.



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- 19.3 If a boat does not race, storage may be charged at €800 per month for each month it does not race.
- 19.4 Storage is included in the entry fee for boats equipped with a **road trailer**. Boats equipped with a **fix cradle** will not be taken in charge by the Yacht Club de Monaco and are invited to contact a nearby boatyard. These additional storage costs are not included in the entry fee.

20 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 20.1 For information regarding the racing and technical aspects, please contact regates@ycm.org
- 20.2 If you request the hotel list to help you organize your stay in Monaco during the event, please contact hotels@ycm.org
- 20.3 If you need assistance about mooring in the YCM Marina, please contact assistante.marina@ycm.org
- 20.4 For information regarding sponsorship or media please contact presse@ycm.org
- 20.5 For information regarding Monaco please visit www.visitmonaco.com



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