



12 - 15 JANUARY 2017 NOTICE OF RACE

Organised by the Yacht Club de Monaco, the *Monaco Optimist Team Race* will take place from Thursday 12 to Sunday 15 January 2017.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the “Racing Rules of Sailing”, appendix D applies.
- 1.2. Sailing Instructions
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.4. Life jackets will be compulsory when at sea for all (competitors, coaches, umpires, committee members, staff etc...)

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 open only to the invited teams. Each team shall be composed of 4 sailors born between 1 January 2002 and 31 December 2006.
- 3.2. Eligible teams may enter by completing pre-registration online on our website: www.ycm.org by Friday 14 October 2016. Once received, the Race Secretariat will confirm registration by Friday 21 October 2016.
- 3.3. The registration fees can then be sent, at the latest, on Friday 18 November 2016, to the Race Office (see paragraph 13).
- 3.4. Late entries will be accepted at the Yacht Club de Monaco’s discretion.
- 3.5. A maximum of 16 teams will be invited.

4. Fees

- 4.1. The entry fee is €600 for each team. It includes:
 - use of a new Optimist dinghy per team member for the duration of the event (as described in part 5),
 - Saturday 14 January 2017 evening Pasta Party,
 - one (1) apartment for 5 people per team at Aparthotel “Monte Cristo” (the nights of Thursday 12, Friday 13 and Saturday 14 January 2017).
 - Breakfast, chocolate/tea/coffee and brioche, organised at YCM (Thursday 12, Friday 13 and Saturday 14 January 2017),
 - pack lunches (Thursday 12, Friday 13, Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 January 2017),
 - transfers to and from Nice International Airport,
- 4.2. A deposit of €600 per team (€150 per boat) is required on registration’s confirmation.

5. Boats

- 5.1. The Yacht Club de Monaco will provide a new boat 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 has to bring his/her own main sail and sail ties.
- 5.3. Coach boats will be provided and compulsory during the event. Coaches will be divided among 2 crew boats.



6. Format of the event

The regatta will consist of:

- Stage 1 – round robin
- Stage 2 – semi finals
- Stage 3 – finals

The Regatta Director may change the format or may terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of races under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.

7. Social & Sailing Programme Schedule

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| Thursday 12 January 2017 | Official Opening Ceremony | 10.00am |
| | Team Meeting | 11.00am |
| | First Race - Warning signal | 12.00noon |
| | Debriefing | After racing |
| Friday 13 January 2017 | First Race - Warning signal | 10.00am |
| | Debriefing | After racing |
| Saturday 14 January 2017 | First Race - Warning signal | 10.00am |
| | Debriefing | After racing |
| | Pasta Party at Yacht Club de Monaco | 8.00pm |
| Sunday 15 January 2017 | First Race - Warning signal | 10.00am |
| | Prize Giving | 4.00pm |

8. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available from 7.00pm on Wednesday 11 January 2017 from the Registration Office.

9. Prizes

Teams will compete for the “*Monaco Optimist Team Race*” trophy. Prizes will be given to the first three teams.

10. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors are totally responsible for their own safety, at sea and on land, without exception. It is for competitors to decide whether their boat, the equipment on it and the crew are fit to sail in the conditions. By launching or going to sea, competitors are confirming their boat is fit to the conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them. Nothing done by 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 race, be it before, during or after the race. The provision of patrol 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).

12. Media & Image rights waiver

Monaco Optimist Team Race participants authorise the Yacht Club de Monaco to use any media it deems necessary for commercial purposes. By entering this regatta, crew members on the competing boats 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 Race Office:

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