



DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION
Tue 29 th Sept	10:00 14:00 - 18:00	Mooring at disposal Crane launch & Inspections
Wen 30 th Sept	09:00 - 18:00	Crane launch & Inspections
Thur 1 st Oct	09:00 - 18:00	Crane launch & Inspections Withdrawal of advertising materials
Fri 2 nd Oct	09:00 - 10:30 11:00 13:00	Crane launch & Inspections Withdrawal of advertising materials Skipper Briefing Intended First Warning Signal
Sat 3 rd Oct	Tbd	First Warning Signal
Sun 4 th Oct	Tbd After Races	First Warning Signal Prize-giving, haul out

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat and the Protest Committee may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1 and 63.2(a).

The races held on Saturday without discard will form the ranking based on which the Garmin Cup and prize will be awarded to the first classified. In case no races will be on Saturday, the races of Friday first or Sunday as the last case will be considered.

1 - RULES

1.1 The events will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025 - 2028 of the World Sailing including Appendix T, the Normativa 2026 Per la Vela d'Altura (FIV), the Normativa per l'Attività Sportiva Nazionale Organizzata in Italia 2026 (FIV), the Rules of the International J/70 Class Association (IJCA) and the **WS Umpire Observation** system.

1.2 In case of conflict between Notice of Race (NoR) and SIs, the SIs and the following Notices will prevail (this changes RRS 63.5(c)).

1.3 Recorded video and images from any source, like media/support boats, or data/video of positioning electronic devices (tracking) cannot be used as evidence by a boat during the hearings and this shall not be grounds for requesting redress and the Protest Committee may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 61.1(a) and 63.2(a).

1.4 Add to rule 41 Outside Help: (e) Help to recover from the water and return on board any person overboard, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.

1.5 Spare

1.6 The Vakaros RaceSense system will be used by the Race Committee (RC) and the relevant information will be available to all boats.

1.7 The visual identification of boats infringing RRS 29 and RRS 30 by the Race Committee is replaced with the electronic identification by the Vakaros RaceSense system. This changes RRS 29 and 30.

1.8 Spare

1.9 **[DP][NP]** Each boat shall have a working Vakaros Atlas 2 configured for RaceSense at check-in, which must be mounted on the aft side of the mast at all times while racing. Each boat shall either provide a working Atlas 2 at check-in for configuration with RaceSense, or an Atlas 2 will be provided to any boat that does not have one available.

1.10 **[DP][NP]** Competitors shall do their best to keep the system safe and active. They shall inform the Vakaros staff as soon as possible, on the

water or ashore, about any problems encountered with the device

1.11 Any kind of failure of an Atlas 2, the RaceSense system or any communication systems shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat or a Committee and the Protest Committee may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 61.1(a) and 63.2(a).

1.12 The Race Committee signals, procedures and radio communications will respect relevant articles inside these SIs.

1.13 RRS 26 is changed. The countdown to the start on the Atlas2 or Edge units from RaceSense will be the official time. Sounds and flags signals will only be used for information purposes in accordance with RRS 26.

1.14 If the RC vessel will display flag GOLF with a sound signal before the warning signal of a race, SIs 1.6, 1.7, 1.13 will not apply and the RC shall display the black flag as preparatory signal.

1.15 **[DP][NP]** Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

2 - NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

All communications between the competitors and Organizing Authority (OA), RC or Jury (i.e. protests and requests for redress, penalty report, questions for officials (change equipment or crew, etc.), scoring inquiries, shall be done exclusively using the site web

<https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/14079/event> which will include the Official Notice Board (ONB) which will be virtual. Competitors are expected to check the board before/after racing and when new notices will be signaled. Its use does not change the obligations, signals and the timings of RRS.

To guarantee such communications, the entry form must be completely filled including the phone number and the mail address of each crew member.

3 - CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least one hour before the first start of the day, except that any changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4 - SIGNALS MADE ASHORE **[DP][NP]**

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag staff located at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS) terrace.

4.2 When flag AP (Answering Pennant) is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 40 minutes" (this changes Race Signals AP)..

4.3 Flag AP over H displayed ashore means: "The start is postponed; boats shall not leave the harbor" (this changes Race Signals AP over H).

5 - SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The scheduled time of the Warning Signal for the first race on Friday 2nd will be at 13:00.

The Warning Signal time for the next days will be posted online on the Official Notice Board by 8pm of the day before.

5.2 A maximum of 8 races may be held. Maximum 3 races per day will be run. No more than once in the event a fourth race may be run on the same day to get ahead of the schedule or to recover a race not previously run.

5.3 The RC will broadcast safety and racing information on VHF channel 72.

5.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15:00 hrs.

6 - CLASS FLAG

The Class flag will be the J/70 CUP flag.

7 - RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the waters outside the Marina of Porto Cervo.

8 - COURSE

8.1 The Windward mark and the offset marks shall be rounded to port.

8.2 If one of the gate marks (2S or 2P) is missing, a single mark 2 shall be rounded to port.

8.3 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal vessel may display the approx. compass bearing and distance to mark 1.

8.4 Course: Start - 1 - 1A - gate (2S/2P) - 1 - 1A - Finish.

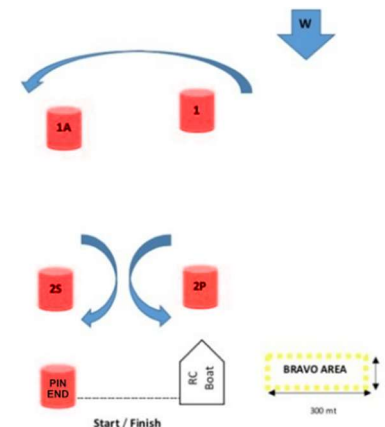


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The datum point for the WL course setting is the race committee vessel.

Gate mark 2p Mark will be laid around 0.1 nm above the race committee vessel.

Mark 1a will be approximately 100 mt from Mark 1.

9 - MARKS

Course mark 1, 1a, 2S/2P (gate) and pin end of the starting/finishing line will be red robotic marks.

These marks will go back to original position if they are dragged or otherwise moved off station. Routine movement of robotic marks will not be grounds for request of redress nor redress (changes RRS 61.1(a) and 61.4(b)(1)). This includes automatic minor readjustments (i.e. caused by Short temporary loss of GPS signal or because of current) and marks



returning to station after having been pushed or dragged away by a competitor.

RRS 31 continues to apply.

Furthermore, the Protest Committee may refuse to hold a hearing when a boat request redress based on this rule (changes RRS 63.2(a)).

10 - AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

Any area designated as obstruction will be signaled on the Notice Board if the case.

11 - THE START

11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of a mark as per SI 9 at the port end. To inform competitors that a starting procedure is starting soon, the RC will display an orange flag at least five minutes before the warning signal.

11.2 **[NP]** RC may broadcast by VHF individual recalls. Sail numbers or boat names may be used for identification. Delays in broadcasting, the order in which they are made, omission or failure in the emission or reception shall not be grounds for a request for redress and the Protest Committee may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 61.1(a) and 63.2(a). This rule does not reduce, modify or exonerate each boat's responsibility to start in accordance with the rules.

11.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS (Did not start) by the RC without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

12 - CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original marks to the new position (or will move the finishing line).

12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard.

13 - THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying Blue Flags on the RC vessels and the course side of the finishing pin end mark as per SI 9. The finishing line will be shorter than the starting line.

14 - TIME LIMIT **[NP]**

14.1 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat had sailed the course and finishes, will be scored DNF (Did Not Finish) by the RC without a hearing. This changes rule 35, A4 and A5.

14.2 If no boat has rounded mark 1 within 30 minutes from her starting signal the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for and the Protest Committee may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 61.1(a) and 63.2(a).

15 - ON THE WATER PROTESTS AND UMPIRE OBSERVATION

15.1 The first and second paragraphs of RRS 44.1 is changed to: "A boat may take a ONE-TURN penalty when she may have broken one or more of the rules of RRS Part 2 in an incident while racing, rule 31, rule 42 or Class rule C9.4 (Bowsprit) and C3.3 (Crew Positioning). Yet, when a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 of RRS while in the zone around a mark, other than

a starting mark, or the rule 20 in any area of the course, her penalty shall be a TWO-TURNS penalty."

15.2 The red protest flag shall be positioned on the rope between the boom and the upper mainsail sheet block. The use of any other flags shall not be valid for protest purposes (this changes RRS 60.2(a)(1)).

15.3 Add to RRS 44.2: "A boat shall not take any penalty while in the zone of a mark, other than a starting/finishing mark, or on the offset leg (1-1a). In the last case the penalty shall be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg."

15.4 An umpire may penalize a boat without a protest by another boat when she:

- (1) breaks RRS 42
- (2) breaks SI 15.3
- (3) breaks RRS 31
- (4) breaks Class Rule C9.4 (Bowsprit)
- (5) breaks Class rule C3.3 (Crew Positioning)
- (6) commits a breach of sportsmanship

the umpire may impose a penalty or more, each signaled to the boat(s) by a red flag and a sound signal. The umpire will identify the boat(s) by hail or VHF radio.

If a boat fails to take a penalty when required to do so an umpire will signal the boat is penalized for not taking a penalty, the original penalty will be cancelled.

However, if the boat does not take the penalty at the first reasonable opportunity after the second signal, the umpire will disqualify the boat without a hearing. This will be signaled by a black flag accompanied by one long sound signal and the boat shall promptly leave the course area.

Additionally, if a boat breaks SIs 15.4(6) by bullying, intimidating, harassing, by verbal abuse or foul language or by using of language that might convey incompetence or prejudice against boats or race officials, the umpire will disqualify the boat without a hearing. This will be signaled by a black flag accompanied by one long sound signal and the boat shall promptly leave the course area.

The Protest Committee may call a rule 69 hearing without a report being filed if the Protest Committee believes that misconduct may have been committed based on its own observations.

Umpire ribs may be positioned anywhere on the course area. Ribs positioning and any action or lack of action by an umpire shall not be grounds for request for redress and the Protest Committee may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 61.1(a) and 63.2(a).

15.5 Umpires may observe the racing and provide advisory umpire signals. If an umpire observes an incident where a boat protests, one of the following signals may be made:

- (a) A green and white flag with one long sound means 'The umpires saw the incident and believe that no rule was broken'.
- (b) A red flag with one long sound means 'The umpires saw the incident and believe that one or more boat has broken a rule'. The umpires will hail or signal each boat identified to have broken a rule.
- (c) A yellow flag with one long sound means 'The umpires do not have the facts to make a decision'.

15.6 The signals displayed by the umpires are for information only. If a red flag is displayed, any identified boat is not obliged to take the applicable penalty, however if she does not, the Umpire, as part of the protest committee, may protest that boat. If a green and white flag or the yellow

flag is displayed, a boat may still protest, or a boat may choose to take the applicable penalty.

15.7 If a green and white flag is displayed for an incident, the protest committee will only protest a boat for an incident involving her that may have resulted in injury or serious damage, or if the protest committee learns during the hearing of a valid protest that the boat, although not a party to the hearing, was involved in the incident and may have broken a rule. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.4(b).

15.8 At the end of the race the RC will promptly display flag B with one sound. Flag B will be displayed for at least two minutes and then removed with one sound.

15.9 A boat intending to protest another boat for an incident observed in the racing area shall keep the protest flag displayed until she has informed the RC before, in case of retirement, or during the display of the "B" flag by hail or VHF call. Lack of communication will make the protest invalid in a hearing (this changes RRS 60.2(a)(1) and RRS 60.4(a)).

15.10 Rule 43.1(a) is changed so that the provision for exonerating a boat may be applied by the umpires without a hearing, and it takes precedence over any conflicting sailing instruction.

16 - PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protests and requests of redress, acknowledgement of penalty, requests to change equipment or crew, must be lodged online on the website <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/14079/event> within the proper time limit.

16.2 The time limit to lodge protests and redress requests for incidents in the racing area is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signaled no more racing for today, whichever is later. The same time limit applies to protests by a Committee about incidents they observe on the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 60.3 and 61.2.

16.3 Notices will be posted online possibly within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

16.4 Notices of protests by the Committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 60.2(d).

16.5 The protest time limit for WS Sailor Categorization will be the protest time limit of the first racing day. This changes RRS 60.3(b).

16.6 Protests shall be discussed at the Jury room located at the club.

17 - SCORING

17.1 One (1) race is needed to validate the event for the Italian J/70 .

17.2 When less than 5 races have been sailed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been sailed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

18 - SAFETY REGULATIONS **[DP]** **[NP]**

In the best interest of safety, all competitors who retires shall inform, by any possible system, either the RC boat on the water or the Race Office as soon as they return ashore. The Jury may take disciplinary action if this is not respected.



19 - REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior approval of the Race Committee. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Technical Committee or his delegate. Requests for substitution shall be made to the proper Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

The proper forms for Substitution of crew or equipment will be available on the website

<https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/14079/event> .

20 - EQUIPMENTS AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or its equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the Technical Committee or Race Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. The area designated is called "BRAVO"; the dimension of area BRAVO is 300X50 mt and it is positioned to starboard of the Race Committee vessel.

21 - EVENT ADVERTISING [DP] [NP]

Boats shall display sail numbers and event advertising (see NoR #17 and NoR Annex 1) supplied by Organizing Authority as follows:

21.1 The sail number on the mainsail of a boat must correspond to the number declared on the entry form. Penalty for non-compliance will be at the discretion of the Jury.

21.2 Competitors shall display, as requested by OA, the flags provided by the organizer up to the end of the event. Penalty for non-compliance will be at Jury discretion.

22 - OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official boats will be identified as follows:

Main Race Committee: Club's burgee.

Umpires: bright orange/yellow flag.

Measurer: white flag with letter "M".

Press: white flag with letter "P".

23 - SUPPORT VESSELS

Support boats shall be registered and identified by a white flag bearing the words COACH BOAT provided by the Club.

24 - TRASH [DP] [NP]

Trash shall remain onboard until the end of the last race of the day. A penalty for breaking rule 47 is at Jury discretion.

25 - HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP] [NP]

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with a prior written permission of the Race Committee.

26 - RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP] [NP]

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive voice or data communications not available to all other boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones and any other similar device.

27 - MOORINGS

The mooring at the venue is included in the entry fee from Tuesday 29th September to Sunday 4th October. Boats are moored under the responsibility of each skipper.

Furthermore:

harbor regulations require that all boats Inform the offices of Porto Cervo Marona on VHF channel 9 when entering or leaving the marina. each boat must complete a registration form at the offices of Porto Cervo Marina on the day of their arrival.

Swimming and sailing within the harbor are forbidden.

28 - PRIZE GIVING [DP] [NP]

28.1 Prize giving will take place at the club when possible after the finish of the last race. In case of bad weather, the new location will be communicated by the OA. At least one person per boat must be present at the prize giving, boats failing to be represented by her crew members can be penalized (see NoR #7.6).

As stated in the NoR #30 the following prizes will be awarded: the top three boats in the event ranking, the first three Corinthian crews and the winner of the "One Pro", "Mixed-Plus" and "Young crew" divisions. The "Garmin Cup" winner will be awarded as per NOR 8.6. The first all Italian crew of the Italian Championship will be awarded the title of J/70 Italian Champion 2026. The first all Italian Corinthian crew of the Italian Championship will be awarded the title of J/70 Italian Class Corinthian Champion 2026. Top 3 Italian crew "Overall" and "Corinthian" will be awarded.

29 - DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, the Racing Committee and the Protest Committee will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death occurring in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

30 - INSURANCE

Each boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of € 1.500.000,00, or the equivalent if expressed in a different currency. The insurance must include the extension for the race. Proof of valid insurance certificate shall be provided upon registration.

31 - MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

24.1 The OA may require media personnel, equipment and electronic devices to be carried on board at any time.

24.2 The position of these personnel equipment will be determined by the RC and may be advised verbally.

The Organization Authorities shall have the right to use any image, sound record and navigation data.