

J/70 World Championship (WC) Qualification System

The IJ70CA has established the following criteria for World Championship (WC) berths:

1. Unless otherwise stated below, all qualifying will be in the calendar year preceding the WC year.
2. The J/70 Constitution 5.7.1 states that a country must have “*a minimum of ten (10) registered boats whose owners are active Members*” to be recognized as a National Class Association (NCA) by the IJ70CA. Membership numbers are based on the number of IJ70CA paid Members as of December 31 of the year prior to the WC, not to exceed one Member per registered boat. Percentage calculations in this document are rounded up from .5 to the nearest whole number.
3. The helmsperson(s) must be nominated by their NCA, and be either a national or resident, and a registered member of the NCA of the country, that they represent.
4. In addition to the requirements of CR 3.2, if a single helmsperson is designated at the qualifying event, then that helmsperson must be the only helmsperson designated for the World Championship. Likewise, if two helmspersons are designated at the qualifying event, then those same two helmspersons must be designated for the World Championship.
5. If a team qualifies or is nominated by their NCA in a recognized configuration (ex: Corinthian, Mixed-Plus), they shall compete in the World Championship in the same configuration. NCAs are encouraged to support the recognized configurations.

6. Qualifier Berths

- a) World Championship: Champion of the preceding two years.
- b) World Championship: Corinthian Champion of the preceding two years.
- c) Continental Championships: Champion and runner-up.
- d) Continental Championships: Corinthian Champion and runner-up.

7. NCA Berth Allocation Methodology

- a) Each NCA will receive a “Base Allocation” of berths equivalent to 3% of their members, or a minimum of 1 for NCAs with up to 15 Members, and a minimum of 2 for NCAs with 16 or more Members.
- b) The World Championship Host NCA will receive berths equivalent to 10% of their NCA Members or a minimum of 8, plus 2 berths for the host club to use at their discretion.
- c) Additional Berths are allocated to NCAs using the following methodology:
 - i. NCAs are ranked, based on the ratio of Target Allocation to Base Allocation. The Target Allocation is determined by the participation at the most recent World Championships held in that Continent, adjusted for prior Host/Border status.
 - ii. Additional berths are then iteratively awarded to those NCAs with the highest Target to Total Berth ratio until Event Capacity is met. This formula allocates each single berth iteratively and individually to the NCA with the next highest ratio.
- d) NCA Reserve Berths at 6% of Event Capacity are reserved for allocation by the IJCA, or assigned sub-committee, to NCAs that can claim changing circumstances not covered by the Allocation Methodology (eg newly formed NCA status, significant change in numbers, recent change in class participation, other extraordinary circumstances). Otherwise, these Reserve Berths can be released into the normal NCA Berth Allocation.