

2021 Good Samaritan Hospital J/24 North American Championship

June 16 through June 20, 2021

Sayville Yacht Club, the USJCA and the International J/24 Class Association

Blue Point, New York, USA

NoR AMENDMENT #1

This document dated February 16, 2021 replaces the previous posted NoR.

Notice of Race

Preamble: The notation [DP] in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the international jury, be less than disqualification. The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for a breach of this rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. Rules

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
The US Sailing prescriptions that apply are stated in NoR **Addendum A**.
- 1.2. The current Regatta Regulations of the International J/24 Class Association (IJCA) shall apply, available at <http://www.j24class.org/rules-regulations/regatta-regulations/>.
- 1.3. Support Vessels- RRS 41 shall apply from the time a boat leaves her mooring for the first race of each day and until she returns to her mooring after racing. If RC displays Race Signal AP over H, RRS 41 restrictions are suspended until she leaves her mooring again. This changes the preamble to Part 4 rules.
- 1.4. [NP] [DP]Bow numbers will be assigned to each boat and will be used as identification for the boat during the event. Bow numbers shall be applied in accordance with the instructions supplied and shall remain affixed until after a boat hauls out at the end of the event.
- 1.5. In accordance with RRS G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the class rules.
- 1.6. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.7. RRS 61.1(a) will be changed so that the red flag displayed by a protesting boat shall have a hoist of not less than 150mm and a fly of not less than 200mm.
- 1.8. RRS Appendix T1 shall apply to this event and further modified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.9. The Protest Committee may impose penalties less than disqualification (DPI), for violation of the class rules and racing rules other than those of Part 1 and Part 2.
- 1.10. The following is added to the end of RRS 60.4(a) first sentence, "or RRS 41, 42, 44, 46, and 49.2 sentences 1 and 2."
- 1.11. Class rule C.2.1(b) is replaced with class rule J.4.3 that allows limited, declared crew substitution.
- 1.12. Class rule C.10.2 is replaced by class rule J.2 that allows a spare spinnaker with restrictions.

1.12 **Additional Health & Safety requirements may be necessary and required by the local and state governments due to Covid-19 and its variants. An exhibit may be added before competitors arrive. You will be contacted via email with the details on where to find the exhibit.**

2. Sailing Instructions:

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 1800 on June 16, 2021 at the registration table and the online event site at [Yachtscoring.com](https://yachtscoring.com).

3. Communication:

3.1 The online official notice board is located at the event website: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=13168>
The onshore unofficial notice board is located in the main club house under the stairs to the second-floor offices.

3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on international VHF channels.

3.3 The race committee may choose to make VHF radio communications to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be announced in the sailing instructions.

4. Eligibility and Entry

4.1 The North American Championship is open to J/24 Class boats as defined by the IJCA class rules, and that qualify as prescribed in the IJCA Regatta Regulations, and whose entries are accepted by the organizing authority.

4.2 Championship drivers must be either nationals or residents and members of the National J/24 Class Association of the country that they represent.

4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the required form at the event page on [Yachtscoring.com](https://yachtscoring.com) and paying the required fee by 0900 hours on Wednesday, June 16 2021. **Entry is not complete until all requirements of Eligibility, Fees, Registration and Inspection have been satisfactorily completed**

4.4 Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: Entries received after April 1, 2021 will be accepted with a \$100 additional late fee, making the total entry fee \$575.00 providing the restrictions in NoR 4.5 have not been reached.

4.5 The following restrictions on the number of entries shall apply: A total of fifty (50) boats will be allowed to enter. There will be a wait list of up to ten (10) additional boats. The order of acceptance of wait listed boats will be based on the order of online entry.

4.6 A Corinthian Division will be offered. To be considered an entry in the Corinthian Division, the each member of the crew shall provide proof of a valid World Sailing Group 1 status at the time of registration.

5. Fees:

5.1 The required entry fee is \$475.00 US Dollars which must be paid by March 31, 2021. Boats entering after April 1, 2021 will be required to pay the late fee described in NoR 4.4.

5.2 Fee includes measurement, launching, hauling, storage/mooring while at the event, racing, scheduled social functions for all crew, and prizes.

5.3 Additional individual social function tickets or passes may be purchased at registration for an additional fee.

5.4 All fees shall be payable at the event website: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=13168>.

5.5 Refunds may be requested via email to jbuona29@gmail.com. Refunds in full less a \$50.00 processing fee will be granted up to May 15, 2021.

6. Schedule:

Day	Date	Time	Event/Activity
Wednesday	16 June	0900 – 1800	Registration/Inspection/Crew Weigh-in
Thursday	17 June	0800 -1800 1400 – 1600 1630 - 1700 1700 – 1900 1800	Registration/Inspection/Crew Weigh-in Practice Race Sail makers debrief immediately after racing. Food & Beverage (a-la-carte menu available) All Boats afloat
Friday	18 June	0800 – 0900 0900 – 1000 1100 1630 - 1700 1700-1900	Crew Weigh-in* Opening Ceremony/Competitors Meeting Warning for the First Race of the day Sail makers debrief immediately after racing. Food & Beverage (a-la-carte menu available)
Saturday	19 June	0800 – 0930 1100 1630 - 1700 1800	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for the First Race of the day Sail makers debrief immediately after racing. Dinner & Entertainment - Included
Sunday	20 June	0800 – 0930 1100 1430 1630	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for the First Race of the day No starts after this time Awards Ceremony& refreshments - included

- 6.1 *These scheduled crew weigh-ins are only for race committee approved replacements or crews specified per NOR 1.11.
- 6.2 Eight races are scheduled over three consecutive days.
- 6.3 A maximum of four (4) races per day are permitted.

7. Advertising

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 7.2 Boat advertising shall comply with WS Regulation 20.

8. Registration and Inspection:

- 8.1 At registration each boat shall present:
- 8.1.1 A valid, IJCA issued Measurement Certificate, Including Part C: Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment. Only Equipment Inspection will be done at the event. Measurement for certification must be successfully completed prior to the event. RRS 78.2 shall not apply.
- 8.1.2 Proof of valid, third-party marine liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 USD per incident or the equivalent (property and injury)
- 8.1.3 Proof of J/24 Class Association membership in the country they represent for the boat owner and the driver.

8.2 All competitors will be weighed during registration. Competitors must have a passport or other photo identification at weigh-in.

8.3 Equipment Inspection will be carried out on all boats-in accordance with the class rules.

8.4 Boats will be subject to inspection at any time for any class rules during the event.

9. Venue:

9.1 Sayville Yacht Club, 123 Boylan Road, Blue Point, NY 11715.

9.2 Attachment __ shows the location of the regatta harbor and racing areas.

10. The Courses:

10.1 The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward with 4 or 5 legs.

10.2 The target time for each race is approximately 60-80 minutes.

11. Penalty System:

11.1 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

11.2 The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

11.3 Except if the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes RRS 44.2

11.4 RRS Appendix P applies, as further detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

11.5 Virtual hearings are permitted. All competitors are advised to have their own a device capable of transmitting and receiving audio and video data through a wifi connection. See **Addendum B** for additional information. The selection of the type of device and its use is the responsibility of the entered boat.

12. Scoring:

12.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.

12.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

12.3 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

12.4 The Corinthian Division shall be scored as a subdivision of the whole fleet using the competitor's actual scores, and in accordance with Regatta Regulations 28 and 33.3.

13. Support Vessels:

Visiting support vessels will not have access to SYC launching, docking or mooring facilities. Arrangements must be made with other area facilities.

14. Berthing:

[DP][NP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned slips, as directed by the organizing authority. These must be strictly adhered to. There may be more than one docking facility. Registered boats will be assigned their berthing location before their arrival.

15. Haul-out Restrictions:

[DP][NP]Boats shall be afloat by 1800 on Thursday, June 17, 2021 and shall not be hauled out during the event except in accordance with the prior written permission and terms of the Technical Committee Chair. This restriction applies to rudders.

16. Diving Equipment, Plastic Pools and Other Prohibited Actions:

16.1 [DP] Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used between the time the boat is afloat and the end of the event. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes, cloth or other equipment designed for that use.

16.2 [DP] Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the event.

16.3 [DP] Use of dehumidifiers or electric fans are prohibited at all times while boats are afloat.

17. Prizes:

17.1 Prizes will be awarded to at least the top 15% of boats entered.

17.2 Prizes will be awarded to the top three placing Corinthian boats.

17.3 A prize will be awarded to the top youth entry comprised of a helmsperson under the age of 30.

17.4 A prize will be awarded to the top women's entry in which the helmsperson is a woman.

17.5 A prize will be awarded to the top master's entry in which the helmsperson is over the age of 50.

18. Risk Statement:

18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, SYC and / or personnel supporting this regatta 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.

18.2 By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure

of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes**

18.3 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. 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 event.

18.3.1 All competitors will be required to sign a Competitor Liability Waiver form to be provided in the registration package.

19. Insurance:

Each participating boat shall be insured as specified in NoR 7.1.2

20. Media Rights:

20.1 Competitors give absolute right and permission to the IJCA, the **U.S.** J/24 Class Association, J/24 Fleet 182, the Sayville Yacht Club and the event sponsors to use, publish, broadcast or otherwise distribute for promotional, advertising or any other purpose, any images and sound recorded during the event of persons and boats free of any charge.

21. Further Information, contact the following:

Event Chair: Joseph Buonasera

Cell: 716-986-0088

Email: jbuona29@gmail.com

Event Website: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=13168>

ADDENDUM A – US SAILING PRESCRIPTIONS

The following US Sailing Prescriptions will apply to the event:

The prescriptions to RRS 25.1, 60.3b, 61.4, 67, 70.5a, and 76.1 , 88.

The prescriptions may be found in full at cdn.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2021-2024-US-Prescriptions-Final.pdf

ADDENDUM B – VIRTUAL HEARING REQUIREMENTS

Please be aware that protest and redress hearings conducted pursuant to the rules of RRS Part 5, Section B [Hearings & Decisions], and that misconduct hearings conducted pursuant to the rules of RRS Part 5, Section D [Misconduct] may be conducted virtually using Zoom.

It is **necessary** that people participating in these hearings and meetings [parties, party representatives in misconduct hearings, and witnesses] have access to a device that has internet accessibility with audio and video capability. If someone participating does not have such a device, s/he will have to obtain access to and use of such a device from another person or have another person appear before the hearing committee in his/her place and stead in the case of protests or redress requests.

If a person appearing before the hearing committee does not know how to use such a device, s/he can have someone else set the device up so audio and video is in use for the person participating. Information about Zoom is available on its website: <https://zoom.us>; it is available for computers, **tablets**, and mobile phones. Note that people participating in virtual hearings must use audio and video in the presence of the hearing committee unless otherwise advised by the hearing committee. If a party or witness does not comply with this rule, the hearing committee may nevertheless decide the protest or request for redress as if the person did not come to the hearing [See RRS 63.3(b)], or take such action as is provided in rule 69 for a misconduct hearing [See RRS 69.2(f) and 69.2(k)].

Virtual Hearings **may** be conducted in accordance with the instructions provided below, a copy of which will be provided to the parties when a case is filed:

1. On the date of the hearing, and at least 10 minutes before the hearing is scheduled to begin, the parties, party representatives for misconduct hearings, and any witness a party intends to have testify during the hearing (collectively the "parties"), are to join the virtual meeting.
2. All parties who will participate in a hearing are to have access to, and the use of, a device [computer, **tablet**, or mobile phone] that has internet accessibility with audio and video capability with Zoom.
3. The parties to a virtual hearing are responsible for having their witnesses, if any, and party representatives for misconduct hearings, present in the virtual meeting at least 10 minutes before the time of the hearing on the date of the hearing.
4. At that time, the hearing panel will tell everyone what the procedure will be for having parties, party representatives for misconduct hearings, and witnesses participate in the hearing. Note: Parties and witnesses must be in separate locations when party testimony is being given: if a witness is present when party testimony is being given, the witness will not be permitted to testify.
5. No audio or video recording of the hearing is to be made by anyone other than the hearing panel; the hearing panel will advise the parties if a recording of the proceeding will be made.
6. Parties must use audio and video when in the presence of the hearing panel unless advised otherwise by the hearing panel.
7. Parties and witnesses shall not communicate or share information with anyone other than the hearing panel by any means or technology during the pendency of the hearing except to testify or question a party or a witness."

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