



# Larchmont Yacht Club



(OA) Organizing Authority J/88 Class  
Hosted by Larchmont Yacht Club

## J/88 NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Tuesday, September 26 – Sunday, October 1, 2023

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

[NP] The notation '[NP]' in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[DP] The notation '[DP]' in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The J/88 Constitution, available on the J/88 website, applies
- 1.3 Class Rule 6.2, is in effect with permission from the Executive Committee.
- 1.4 Rule V, Alternative Penalties, will apply.
- 1.5 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply as changed: At the end of T4, Arbitration Meeting Outcomes, add: (c) If a protest is not withdrawn after arbitration, the arbitrator will not be a member of the jury that hears that protest but will be permitted to observe the testimony presented and offer evidence. This changes rule 63.3(a).

#### 2 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 0930 on the day they take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on [https://yachtscoring.com/notice\\_board.cfm?eid=15730](https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board.cfm?eid=15730), and may also be posted on the notice board on the veranda
- 3.2 Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US Marine frequencies. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors via VHF radio channel 73.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals ashore will be displayed from the main flagpole on the front lawn of the yacht club.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in race signal AP.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tues. Sept 26	1300 - 1700	Check In & Measurement - Pandemonium
Weds. Sept 27	0900 - 1700	Check In & Measurement - Pandemonium
	1300	Practice Racing
	1700	Competitors Meeting - Tiki Bar
Thurs. Sept 28	1100	First Warning Signal
		Sailors Welcome Ashore following the completion
Fri. Sept 29	1100	First Warning Signal
	1830	Event Dinner - Tiki Bar
Sat. Sept 30	1100	First Warning
		Sailors Welcome Ashore following the completion of racing
Sun. Oct 1	1100	First Warning after this time
		Awards Presentation, on the front lawn, following the completion of racing

#### 6 CLASS FLAGS

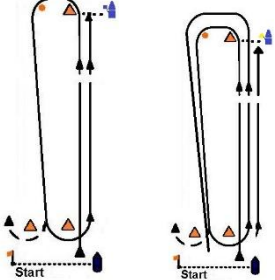
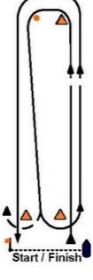
Class flag will be a solid green flag.

**7 RACE AREA**

The starting area will be in the waters off the Larchmont Breakwater.

**8 COURSES**

8.1 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the course, the approximate compass bearing and distance to the first mark.

COURSES 3 & 5	COURSE 4
<p><b>Course 3-</b> Start – windward mark with an offset - leeward gate- finishing to windward leaving the race committee boat to starboard</p> <p><b>Course 5 –</b> Start – windward mark with an offset- leeward gate- windward mark with an offset- leeward gate - finishing to windward leaving the race committee boat to starboard</p>	<p>Start – windward mark with an offset - leeward gate - windward mark with an offset- finishing to leeward leaving the race committee boat to port.</p>
	

**9 MARKS**

- 9.1 Original marks will be yellow inflatables.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in sailing instruction 11, Changing the Next Leg of the Course, will be an orange tetrahedron.
- 9.3 The offset mark will be a round red inflatable. When a change of course is signaled, there will be no offset mark.

**10 THE START**

- 10.1 The start will be in accordance with RRS 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and an orange MarkSetbot on the port end.
- 10.3 Any re-commencement of the starting sequence will be preceded by repetitive sounds and an announcement on the Official VHF channel approx. 1 minute prior to the warning signal. Boats are reminded to stay within range of the starting area.
- 10.4 If any part of a boat’s hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number via the official VHF channel. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.5 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

**11 CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finish line) and remove the original mark as soon as practical. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

**12 THE FINISH**

- 12.1 For course 4 the start and finish lines will be the same.
- 12.2 For courses 3 and 5 the finish line will be between the course side of the windward mark and blue flag on the race committee vessel to starboard.

### **13 TIME LIMIT**

The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 90 minutes. Boats not finishing within 30 minutes after the first boat to start, sail the course and finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This modifies rule 35.

### **14 HEARING REQUESTS**

- 14.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the RC finish vessel personnel come ashore. The protest time limit will be posted on the official notice board.
- 14.2 Rule 61.1(a) is changed, add: Immediately after finishing, a protesting boat shall notify the race committee of her intent to lodge a protest and the identity of the boat she intends to protest.
- 14.3 Written hearing requests such as protests and requests for redress may be filed in person and delivered to the protest committee desk located Thursday 21 and Saturday, September 30 in the Junior Clubhouse and Friday, September 30 and Sunday, October 1 at the top of the main staircase of the clubhouse. All such requests shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit. Protest forms are available at the front desk.
- 14.4 Notice of hearings will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible after the protest time limit has expired.
- 14.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted on the official notice board to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

### **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. 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.

### **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 Prior to the warning signal of her first race each day, a boat shall sail past the stern of the race signal vessel, on starboard tack, hail her sail number and be acknowledged by the race committee.
- 16.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to compete in a race after checking in shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 16.3 [DP] All boats and support vessels shall comply with RRS 37 when flag V (white rectangle with red X) is displayed with 1 sound.

### **17 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

- 17.1 Except in an emergency, boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee, after consultation with the class measurer or his designee.
- 17.2 All boats shall be in the water by 1600 on September 27 and shall remain in the water through the end of the regatta, subject to the provisions of NoR 12.2.

### **18 PRIZES**

- 18.1 Prizes will be awarded to boats finishing first through third place overall.
- 18.2 A Corinthian trophy will be awarded for the top scoring boat with an all-Corinthian crew.
- 18.3 Additional prizes may be awarded to participants at the discretion of the OA.

### **19 RISK STATEMENT**

Competitors are reminded of the Disclaimer of Liability to which they agreed as stated in the notice of race.

### **20 FURTHER INFORMATION**

Regatta information: contact LYC Regatta Committee: [racecommittee@larchmontyc.org](mailto:racecommittee@larchmontyc.org).  
Larchmont Yacht Club, 1 Woodbine Avenue, Larchmont, NY 10538, phone 914-834-2440.

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