



J/30 NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP



Wednesday-Sunday, 11-15 September 2024

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Eastport Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

with Amendment Nos. 1, 2, & 3

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).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The J/30 National Class Association rules shall apply located at j30.us/j30.org/public_html/html/technical/J30-2013-Class-Rules-only.pdf.
- 1.3 [NP] Eastport Yacht Club (EYC) recommends that each competitor review and prepare their boat to the U.S. Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements, Nearshore. A copy of the Nearshore requirements is available at eastportyc.org/racing, located under “Racing Resources.”

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available after 2000 on Friday, 30 August 2024, at eastportyc.org/j30-na.

3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The online Official Notice Board can be accessed via a link at eastportyc.org/j30-na.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, and 73.
- 3.3 On the water, Race Committee (RC) will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio.
- 3.4 [DP] 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 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 This event is open to boats in the J/30 class, sailing in compliance with her class rules.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online at eastportyc.org/j30-na.
- 4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a skipper shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. The skipper shall be a member of the 2024 J/30 National Class Association.

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fees are as follows:
 - \$575 for paid entries received by 2000 on Tuesday, 13 August 2024.
 - \$650 for paid entries received after 2000 on Tuesday, 13 August 2024, but before 1200 on Wednesday, 11 September 2024.
- 5.2 A refund of 75% of the entry fee will be granted if a request to withdraw from the event is received by 2000 hours on Friday, 23 August 2024.
- 5.3 Berthing at no charge may be provided at EYC, provided a request is submitted to Heidi Frist (hmfrist1@verizon.net, (410) 703-7177) before 2000 on Sunday, 01 September 2024.





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6 SCHEDULE

The schedule of events is:

Wed, 11 September	1200	Entry closes
	1600-1900	Crew weigh-in & registration at EYC
Thu, 12 September	1000-1830	Class measurement, crew weight-in, & registration at EYC
	1730-1830	J/30 Board of Governors meeting at EYC
	1830	All boats must be afloat
	1830	Competitors meeting, social, & North Sails local knowledge pre-brief at EYC
Fri, 13 September	0800-0900	Crew weigh-in at EYC
	1030	RC on-station and broadcast approximate location
	1100	Intended Warning Signal for the first race of the day
	After racing	Competitors social and panel discussion at EYC
Sat, 14 September	1030	RC on-station and broadcast approximate location
	1100	Intended Warning Signal for the first race of the day
	After racing	Competitors social and panel discussion at EYC
Sun, 15 September	1030	RC on-station and broadcast approximate location
	1100	Intended Warning Signal for the first race of the day
	1330	No Warning Signal after this time
	After racing	Post-race social and awards presentation

7 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION & WEIGH-IN

- 7.1 To complete the registration process, all crew shall complete weigh-in at EYC. Boats and sails may be measured at EYC during the measuring period and must meet the J/30 National Class Association Rules. Measurement time slots can be reserved at this [Sign Up Genius link](#).
- 7.2 All sails to be used during the event are subject to measurement, per Class rules. Changes or substitutions of sails as those intended to be used in the regatta (including sails that are lost, damaged beyond repair, or destroyed) may only be made with the written consent of the Chief Judge. This changes J/30 Class Rule (J/30 CR) 6.2.3.
- 7.3 In J/30 CR 5.14.1, Sailing Weight, the requirement for draft marks is waived. During measurement, sailing weight may be determined by measuring the distance for draft marks in accordance with J/30 CR 5.14.
- 7.4 Measurement or equipment inspections may be conducted before or after any race.
- 7.5 Changes to the crew list submitted at registration may only be made with the written consent of the Principal Race Officer. Copies of crew lists for all boats will be available for inspection during crew weigh-in. Changes to crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

8 VENUE

- 8.1 The racing area will be on Chesapeake Bay, in the vicinity of the mouth of the Severn River.
- 8.2 The event venue will be EYC, 317 First Street, Annapolis, MD, 21403. EYC extends the courtesy of its bar and galley to race participants.

9 COURSES

Competitors will sail drop-mark windward/leeward course, as described in the SIs.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, shall apply.
- 10.2 RRS US Sailing Prescription Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, shall apply.
- 10.3 Protest hearings are intended to be in-person, but may be conducted virtually, depending upon instructions from the protest committee. Details will be provided in the SIs.





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11 SCORING

- 11.1 Eight (8) races are scheduled, of which three (3) scored races are required to constitute a series.
- 11.2 If six (6) or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.3 RRS 90.3(e) will apply, with the time limit changed to seven (7) days. This changes RRS 90.3(e).

12 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

[DP] All boats shall have completed registration and be in the water by 1830 hours on Thursday, 12 September 2024. A boat shall not be hauled out during the regatta without written approval by the Principal Race Officer or Chief Judge.

13 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 13.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the Preparatory Signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.
- 13.2 A boat shall not have any of her underwater portions cleaned from the Preparatory Signal of the first race through the end of the regatta.

14 SUPPORT BOATS

Support person vessels shall not be launched or docked at EYC. Support persons are responsible for making their own berthing arrangements.

15 RISK STATEMENT

Boats participate in the J/30 North American Championship entirely at their own risk; see RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority (OA) will accept no liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

16 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

17 PRIZES

- 17.1 Overall prizes will be presented at an awards ceremony at EYC following the conclusion of racing on Sunday, 15 September 2024. The prizes are as follows:
 - 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places for seven (7) or more entries
 - 4th place for twelve (12) or more entries
- 17.2 The J/30 North American Championship perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winning skipper.
- 17.3 Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the OA.

18 ENVIRONMENT

[NP] This is a Clean Regatta. All competitors are encouraged to use multi-use water bottles instead of disposable water bottles, and to recycle whenever possible.



19 INFORMATION

For more information, contact race.committee@eastportyc.org or hmfrist1@verizon.net.

