



2024 J/35 North American Championship September 5 - 8, 2024

Hosting: North Star Sail Club, Harrison Township, MI
Race Location: Harrison Township, MI
Website: <https://northstarsail.org>



NOTICE OF RACE

The organizing authorities for the 2024 J/35 North American Championship are the J/35 National Class Association and the North Star Sail Club

- 1 **RULES** - The regatta shall be managed by the North Star Sail Club Championship Committee and be governed by The Rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2 **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
 - 2.1 Boats of the J/35 class are invited to participate. Class association dues must be paid prior to registration, <https://j35.org/join-renew.html>.
 - 2.2 Registration and entry fee of \$500 are due by 1700 on August 05. Late entries will be subject to an additional \$100 late fee. Entry fees are payable in full upon registering and are nonrefundable.
 - 2.3 The entry fee includes racing and all social events for up to 9 total crew members. Additional details will be included on the event website.
 - 2.4 Entry may be made online at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16573>
 - 2.5 To be considered an entry in the regatta, a boat shall complete all registration steps and pay all fees.
- 3 **MOORING – Will be provided by the North Star Sail Club – Fleet Captain - Hermann Ball, 610-220-7894 and North Star Sail Club 586-463-2192**
- 4 **CLASSIFICATION**
 - 4.1 J35 Class Rules (J35CR) Appendix 1 will apply. Not more than one competitor classified as Group 3 shall sail aboard each boat.
 - 4.2 J35 Class Rules (J35CR) Appendix 2 will apply. A Group 3 competitor shall be prohibited from steering a boat of which he or she is not bona fide owner or co-owner.
- 5 **SCHEDULE**

Date	Time	Event
Thu, Sept 5	0900-1800	Onsite registration and inspection. Practice starts will be available in the afternoon.
Fri, Sept 6	1030	First scheduled warning signal.
	After racing	To be announced in a separate bulletin.
Sat, Sept 7	1030	First scheduled warning signal.
	After racing	A catered dinner will be provided by reservation held at North Star Sail Club.
Sun, Sept 8	1030	First scheduled warning signal.
	1430	No warning signal made after this time
	After racing	Awards at North Star Sail Club following the last

5.1 Up to 4 races scheduled on day 1 & 2 if practical, no warning signal after 1630. Day three up to 3 races if practicable, no warning signal after 1430.

6 MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

6.1 Teams sailing with more than nine total crew members shall be weighed during onsite registration and inspection for compliance with J35CR 5.5.1.

6.2 Sails will be measured in accordance with J35CR 4

6.3 Boats will be inspected for compliance with class rules before 2100hrs Sept 5 2024.

6.4 Advance inspection will be made available by appointment:

Contact for Boat Measurement, Ron Rabine (596-246-7509, RLrabine@comcast.net)

Contact for Sail Measurement, Ian Pouliot (586-295-9344, ian.pouliot@gmail.com)

7 **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The SIs will be available on www.yachtscoring.com the event website by 1700 on September 5th. Official notices will be posted in YachtScoring and posted on the bulletin board as available.

8 VENUE

8.1 The racing area will be on Anchor Bay north of the Clinton River outlet.

8.2 The regatta venue will be North Star Sail Club – Harrison Township, MI

9 **THE COURSES** - The courses will be Windward/Leeward, dropped mark courses. Windward Offset Mark and Leeward Gates may be used.

10 SCORING

10.1 One race must be completed to constitute a championship.

10.2 In accordance with RRS A2.1, when five (5) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11 **COMMUNICATIONS** - The official notice board will be located electronically on www.yachtscoring.com [DP] On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 72.

12 **HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS** - Boats shall be afloat and shall not be hauled out from 1800 on September 5 until the end of the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

13 **CLEANING OF HULLS** – No restriction on cleaning

14 PRIZES

14.1 Prizes will be given to the top 3 boats in the regatta.

14.2 Awards for individual races will be made by the organizing authority.

14.3 Additional prizes awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

15 **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.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1 www.j35.org,
www.yachtscoring.com,

16.2 For more information contact: Event Chair: Dean Fitzpatrick deanfitzpatrick35@gmail.com