



J/24 U.S. National Championship

August 21st – 25th, 2019

Rochester Yacht Club



The Organizing Authority (OA) comprised of J/24 Fleet 41 and the Rochester Yacht Club in conjunction with the US J/24 Class Association (USJCA) invite J/24 sailors to the:

2019 J/24 United States National Championship to be held Wednesday, August 21st- Sunday, August 25th, 2019 in Rochester, NY

NOTICE OF RACE – Amended 12/14/2018 @ 1200

(This replaces previous NoR published 10/18/2018)

1. Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2[NP] Bow numbers will be assigned to each boat and will also be used as identification for the boat during the regatta. 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 regatta.

1.3 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.

1.4 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 mooring again. This changes the preamble to Part 4 rules.

1.5 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

1.6 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.

1.7 Class rule C.2.1(b) is changed to Class rule J.4.3 regarding crew. A crew nominated or listed for this event may be different for different days only if scheduled in advance at registration. Emergency changes may be made only with written permission of the race committee.

1.8 Class rule C.10.2 will be changed by NOR and SI to Class Rule J.2 regarding a spare spinnaker.

1.9 RRS 60.4(a)(1) is changed to read: “...but not rules 41, 42, 44, 46, and 49.2 sentences 1 and 2, or...”

1.10 The notation [NP] in a rule in the SI means that a boat may not protest another boat for a breach of this rule. This changes RRRS 60.1(a).

1.11 The protest committee may impose penalties less than disqualification (DPI), for violation of the Class Rules and racing rules other than those of RRS Part 1 and RRS Part 2. This changes RRS 64.1 (a).

2 Advertising

2.1 Advertising for the regatta shall follow RRS 80. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. (See World Sailing Regulation 20)

3 Eligibility and Entry

3.1 The regatta is open to all paid J/24 Class boats as defined by the IJCA Rules.

3.2 Helmsmen/Skipper must be either nationals or residents and members of the National J/24 Class Association of the country that they represent.

3.3 Eligible boats may register by completing the online registration process at www.yachtscoring.com by 1800 hours on July 21st, 2019.

3.4 Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: a \$105 late fee shall be added to registrations received after 1800 hours on July 21st, 2019.

3.5 Refunds – J/24s withdrawing and requesting a refund before August 1, 2019 will receive a refund minus a \$100 administration fee. J/24s withdrawing after August 1, 2019 will not receive a refund.

3.6 No entries will be received after 1700 on August 20th, 2019.

3.7 If there are co-skippers, one of them shall be designated as the primary skipper for this regatta.

3.8 For all entries registered and paid before April 1, 2019, you will be entered for a prize drawing. The prize will be \$100 gas card.

4 Fees

4.1 Required entry fees are as follows in US Dollars

- Early entry (on or before Jan 1, 2019) - \$450
- Regular Entry (Between Jan 1 and July 21, 2019) - \$495
- Late Entry (After July 21 through August 20, 2019) - \$600

4.2 Entry fee includes participation in the regatta, launch & haul at RYC, trailer storage, mooring for the duration of the regatta, and will include, welcoming ceremony on Thursday, Saturday evening BBQ dinner and Sunday party as well as beer and non-alcoholic beverages, and live music Friday and Saturday nights. Breakfast Friday, Saturday and Sunday will also be available. Daily awards and debriefs after racing.

4.3 All entry fees are payable to Yacht Scoring using the online entry system.

4.4 There may be optional fees for additional meals and regatta apparel that will be listed on the regatta website.

4.5 Late fee applies based on the date the entry pays in full.

5 Schedule

5.1 The race committee intends to run as many races as practicable on each day of racing with a maximum of ten (10) races in the event. All launch and social activities will be at RYC.

Wednesday, August 21st

0900 to 1400 Early Launch Hours
1600 to 2100 Check-In

Thursday, August 22nd

0900 to 1600 Sail Measurement
0900 to 1600 Crew Weigh In
0900 to 1600 Check-In
0900 to 1800 Boat Launching
1200 Competitors briefing
1330 Practice racing first warning signal
1800 Welcome ceremony and drinks

Friday, August 23rd

0700 to 0900 Last Minute Crew Weigh-In
0800 to 1000 Breakfast Fundraiser by RJYC
0915 Competitors briefing
0945 Harbor Start
1130 First Warning Signal
After Racing Daily Awards and Debrief, music, card games, corn hole and more!

Saturday, August 24th

0800 to 1000 Breakfast at RYC
0915 Competitors briefing
0945 Harbor Start
1130 First Warning Signal
1800 to 2200 BBQ Dinner, Drinks & Live Band

Sunday, August 25th

0800 to 0930 Breakfast Fundraiser by RJYC
0845 Competitors briefing
0915 Harbor Start
1030 First Warning Signal
1330 No warning signal after this time
After Racing Boat Hauling
1500 to 1900 Post Race Party
1700 Awards Ceremony

6 Registration and Measurement

6.1 Each boat shall present either electronically prior to check-in or in person upon arrival at the event.

- Valid J/24 Measurement Certificate as issued by the IJCA, including the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment
- Proof of current marine liability insurance with a minimum value of \$300,000 per occurrence.
- Proof of IJCA membership in the country they represent for the owner and helmsperson.

6.2 All competitors, including any declared substitute crew members, will be weighed during registration. Competitors must have a passport or other photo identification at weigh-in.

6.3 All sails will be measured for compliance with IJCA rule C. 10.

6.4 Boats will be subject to inspection at any time during the regatta.

6.5 There will be no on-site measurement of boats to obtain or modify a Measurement Certificate.

7 Sailing Instructions

7.1 Sailing instructions will be available at check-in and made available on-line.

8 Venue

8.1 The 2019 J/24 US Nationals will be held at the Rochester Yacht Club, located at 5555 St Paul Blvd, Rochester, NY 14617 – phone number 585-342-5511.

8.2 Racing will take place on Lake Ontario either northeast or northwest of the Genesee River Piers. For additional information on the venue, see the website www.rochesteryc.com

9 The Courses

9.1 The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward with 4 or 5 legs. The target time for races is approximately 70 to 90 minutes. It is the intention of the race committee to utilize windward offset and leeward gate marks.

10 Penalty System

10.1 Penalty System RRS Appendix V (ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES) will apply.

10.2 Other penalties as per RRS 64.1 apply for breaking some IJCA rules. See NoR attachment A.

11 Scoring

11.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

11.3 When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.

12 Support Vessels

12.1 All support vessels shall comply with NoR 1.4.

12.2 Support vessels shall register during scheduled registration, declaring to which boat or boats they are attached. They may be required to display an identification flag supplied by the organizing authority.

13 Berthing

13.1 Moorings are included in the entry fee and are available at the Rochester Yacht Club. Competitors are advised to bring enough dock lines and fenders and may be required to raft.

13.2 [NP] Boats intending to arrive prior to August 21st, 2019 or stay beyond August 25th, 2019 shall make arrangements prior to August 20th, 2019. This requirement shall not apply to boats with valid storage at the Rochester Yacht Club.

13.3 [NP] All boats shall be kept in the assigned area in the harbor.

14 Haul-Out Restrictions

14.1 Boats shall be afloat by 1800 hours on Thursday, August 22nd, 2019 unless granted permission to launch on Friday in accordance with NOR 14.2. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

14.2 Rudders shall remain affixed in the water.

15 Other Prohibited Actions

15.1 Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the regatta starting at 1000 Thursday, August 22nd, 2019 until the end of the day Sunday, August 25th, 2019.

15.2 Underwater breathing apparatus, plastic pools, dehumidifiers or their equivalent shall not be used between the time the boat is to be afloat and the end of the regatta. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

16 Radio Communication

16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that are not available to all boats.

16.2 Competitors shall carry a VHF radio capable of receiving transmissions of pertinent race information from the OA and race committee.

17 Prizes

17.1 Prizes will be awarded to at least the top ten boats.

17.2 There may be assorted daily awards.

17.3 There will be a prize for the top Master Skipper (age 55+ at date of the event), Junior Skipper (age 25 or less at the date of the event) and Woman Skipper.

17.4 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

18 Code of Conduct

18.1 All competitors, coaches, and family members are expected to behave in a sportsmanlike manner. This includes behavior both on and off the water including respect for all other persons, personal property of others, and the facilities of the Rochester Yacht Club. Any competitor who violates this trust in any manner, including the consumption of beer or other alcoholic beverages by a minor, may be

penalized by the OA and/or have a complaint lodged against him or her to the protest committee and/or the class association. Penalties imposed by the OA and/or the protest committee may include disqualification of the boat with which the competitor is associated, notification of law enforcement, or other penalties the protest committee or the OA may deem appropriate.

19 Disclaimer of Liability

19.1 Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, including the OA, race committee, protest committee, the State of New York, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official, will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice for or participation in this event on the water or ashore. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

20 Insurance

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

21 Media Rights

21.1 Competitors give absolute right and permission to the IJCA, the US J/24 Class Association, J/24 Fleet 41, the organizing authority, regatta promotions, 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.

22 Contact Information

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NoR ATTACHMENT A

Alternative Penalties for Breaking Some Class Rules

The following penalties for a boat that breaks these listed class rules would be in place of disqualification. All these scoring penalties shall be calculated according to RRS 44.3(c).

<u>Class Rule</u>	<u>Infringement</u>	<u>Scoring Penalty</u>
<u>B.3</u>	<u>Complete Measurement Certificate, including the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment is not on board</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>C.4</u>	<u>Advertising does not conform to World Sailing (Reg 20) standards</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>C.9.4 & C.9.5</u>	<u>Mainsail is set outside of the limit marks</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>C.5.1(a)(1)</u>	<u>Bailing bucket (9-liter min. with lanyard) is not on board</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>C.7.2(a)(9)</u>	<u>Approved compass device is not present or not functional</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>C.5.1(a)(4)</u>	<u>Throwable lifesaving device with attached sea anchor is not on deck, ready for use</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>C.5.1(a)(5)</u>	<u>First aid kit is not on board</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>C.5.1(b)(1)</u> <u>C.5.1(a)(2)</u> <u>C.5.2(a) (10)</u>	<u>Any of anchors(s), outboard motor/engine, battery or engine fuel container(s) are not in their proper location and secured against movement</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>C.7.3(a) (11)</u>	<u>Elastic (shock) cord is used in the standing or running rigging where it is not specifically allowed</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>C.5.3</u>	<u>Stowage of equipment other than unbagged sails on the cabin sole</u>	<u>20%</u>
	<u>Removal of the rudder from the water when the Sailing Instructions stipulate that the boat shall remain afloat for the duration of the regatta</u>	<u>20%</u>

If a boat receives one of the above penalties, the protest decision shall include whether the same penalty will be applied to other races in which the same infringement likely occurred.