



J/24 National Championships

Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron
August 19 through 21, 2010

NOTICE OF RACE

Invitation: The Atlantic J24 Class Association in partnership with the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron cordially invite all members of the IJCA to compete in the IJCA's annual Canadian National Championships. Racing will take place in the approaches to Halifax Harbour.

The weather in Halifax during August is exceptional with consistent sea breezes and many tourist attractions for competitor's families. Make it a family vacation and use Chester Race Week as a tune-up.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The championships will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2009-2012*, as amended January 1, 2010.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association will apply.
- 1.3 The regatta regulations of the IJCA will apply.
- 1.4 Racing rules 41 and 42.3, 44.3(a) and 61.1(a) are changed as follows:

Rule 41: From the time a boat leaves her mooring for the first race of each day until she returns to her mooring and while not racing, she shall not receive outside help except as permitted by rules 41(a) through (d) from any outside source except other competitors and official boats under the direction of the organizing authority. While racing, rule 41 applies without modification. This also changes the Part 4 preamble.

Rule 42.3: Amplified by IJCA class rule 8.2.

Rule 44.3(a) is changed so that the yellow flag (or code flag "T") used by a boat taking a scoring penalty shall have a hoist of not less than 150mm and a fly of not less than 200mm.

Rule 61.1(a) is 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.

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2 ADVERTISING3

- 2.1** Advertising shall be governed by rule 80.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1** The regatta is open to all J/24 Class sailboats possessing a valid measurement certificate as of 1000 on August 19, 2010.
- 3.2** In addition to the requirements of RRS 75.1, a boat must be entered by a current full member in good standing of his or her national association and that person must be the 'person in charge' (RRS 46).
- 3.3** Owners and Helmpersons must be either nationals or residents, and members of the National J/24 Class Association of the country they represent.
- 3.4** Eligible boats may enter by registering in accordance with the requirements defined on the Registration Form. The due date for registration is August 12, 2010.

4 CREW SUBSTITUTIONS

Under rule 87, IJCA rule 5.3 is changed as follows:

IJCA Rule 5.3: A boat may sail with different crew on different days provided the crew changes are declared at registration. Crew changes not declared at registration require advance written approval of the jury and will be approved only under exceptional circumstances. Boats that declare crew changes at registration will require weigh-in of the replacement crew prior to 0930 on the day of the substitutions.

5 FEES

- 5.1** The entry fee for the regatta is \$425 per boat. Registration includes a variety of merchandise, entrance to sailing and various social events for 5 crew members, eligibility for all prizes and tickets for each competitor to the Friday night downtown barbecue and the closing awards banquet.
- 5.2** Competitor breakfasts will be available on Thursday through Saturday mornings for a cost of \$10 per person. An evening meal will be available at the time of the opening ceremony at a nominal cost.
- 5.3** Trailers may be stored on the RNSYS premises for a cost of \$20, payable directly to RNSYS.

6 REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT.

- 6.1** At the registration desk, the person in charge shall present:
- a) Valid J/24 measurement certificate with Inventory of Required/Optional Equipment
 - b) Copy of insurance coverage verifying adequate marine liability coverage of a minimum of \$1,000,000, valid through August 21, 2010.
 - c) Proof of the person in charge's IJCA membership in the country they represent
 - d) Completed crew weigh-in form, signed by a representative of the regatta organizer. Each crew shall show legal photo identification at weigh-in.
 - e) Completed hull weight form, signed by a representative of the regatta organizer.
 - f) Completed sail measurement form, signed by a representative of the regatta organizer

- 6.2 Limited provisions may be available to issue valid measurement certificates at the regatta site. The CJCA offers no guarantee that any such measurement can be completed. Nonetheless, competitors are asked to request measurement by July 31, 2010. Measurement, if available, will be on a first-come, first-served basis.
- 6.3 During measurement, all boats will be weighed for compliance with IJCA rule 3.7.1 and all sails will be measured for compliance with IJCA rule 3.6.
- 6.4 Boats are subject to random measurement inspection throughout the duration of the regatta.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Tuesday, August 17, 2010

Registration Desk Open 1700hrs-2100hrs

Wednesday, August 18 2010

Measurement and Weigh-In 0900hrs-1900hrs

Last Launch of Competing Boats 1900hrs

Opening Ceremonies 2000hrs

Thursday, August 19, 2010

Sailors Breakfast 0800hrs-0930hrs

Competitor's Meeting 0930hrs

First Signal 1130hrs

Latest Time for Warning Signal 1600hrs

Dinner for all competitors and guests 1800hrs

Entertainment under RNSYS tent 1930hrs

Friday, August 20, 2010

Sailors Breakfast 0800hrs-0930hrs

First Signal 1030hrs

Latest Time for Warning Signal 1600hrs

Raft up, BBQ, entertainment downtown Halifax at

Bishop's Landing Helicopter Pad wharf

Saturday, August 21, 2010

Sailors Breakfast 0800hrs-0930hrs

First Signal 1030hrs

Latest Time for Warning Signal 1500hrs

Lobster and hip of beef Banquet, Prize Giving 1700hrs

Dancing in the Spar Loft to Rasta Gumbo 2000hrs – Close

- 7.2 A maximum of 11 races will be sailed over 3 days with no more than 4 races per day.

8 CHARTER BOATS

A limited number of charter boats will be available. Any full members of a member nation of the IJCA who are interested in a charter boat should contact the regatta organizing authority.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available electronically on the regatta website and provided in hard copy at registration beginning on Tuesday, August 17, 2010.

10 VENUE

The regatta will be hosted by the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron (RNSYS) on the Northwest Arm in Halifax, Nova Scotia in partnership with the Atlantic Canada District of the CJCA. Racing will take place in Halifax Harbour and approaches. All competing boats shall be moored on-site for the duration of the regatta.

11 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward. Further information on course diagrams and sailing areas will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

12 SCORING

12.1 The regatta will be scored under the low point scoring system (Appendix A)

12.2 One (1) completed race will constitute a series.

12.3 (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When five (5) to nine (9) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When ten (10) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

13 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats may be hauled out during the regatta only under written approval of the jury. Such approval shall only be granted when a credible concern of the safety of the hull is demonstrated to the jury.

14 OTHER PROHIBITED ACTIONS

14.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats from the preparatory signal of the first race to the end of the regatta. The hull may be cleaned by keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

14.2 Careening for any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the regatta.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

15.1 Except in the case of an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, and electronic positioning fixing and recording instruments.

15.2 It is the intention of the Organizing Authority and Race Committee to use marine VHF radios to communicate with the fleet when outside the RNSYS marina. It is the responsibility of the individual boat to have a working VHF marine radio.

16 PRIZES & AWARDS

16.1 Victory Sailmakers will be providing a new sail for each of the top 3 finishing boats. In addition, handsome half models are planned for 5 sailors in each of the top 5 finishing boats. The Bermuda J24 Class Association has offered a reduced cost, guaranteed berth in the 2011 Bermuda Race Week for a top finishing boat. Other prizes are likely throughout the event.

16.2 The top finishing CJCA person in charge who is also a full member of the IJCA who has not previously qualified, shall earn a berth at the 2011 J/24 World Championships.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. 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 regatta. Each person in charge shall be required to sign this disclaimer during registration.

18 MEDIA RIGHTS

For and in consideration of participation in the J24 Canadian National Championship 2010, each of the yacht's owner(s)/charterer(s) and crew consents to allowing Race organizers and Committee and their partners non-exclusive rights to use his/her name, likeness, photograph, voice, video, recordings and depictions in and for the entire event publicity and related promotional purposes, including but not limited to the production of websites, print and other advertising material, electronic press kits and in any other manner and media and permission to modify, edit and alter the material produced for all uses and purposes for the event and future events at the sole discretion of the event organizers and Committee.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

20 SAFETY

Racing may be adjacent to commercial and military navigational routes. Competitors must carry a functional VHF radio and functional outboard motor on board with sufficient fuel. Competitors should be aware of and avoid such traffic to ensure safety. Violations may result in a protest by the Race Committee, the result of which may result in a score of DNE. Such score shall not be excluded from her series score.

Competitors must also comply with all other requirements of Transport Canada Marine Safety for day-light operation and the J24 Class rules.

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

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