# Addendum to Sailing Instructions J/24 Class Only

The Sailing Instructions for the J/24 Class Only shall be amended as follows. Where there is conflict between the Sailing Instructions and this addendum, this addendum shall govern.

#### Rules

The regatta is also governed by the Notice of Circuit for the 2017 J/24 Texas Circuit and the current International J/24 Class Rules.

All yachts must have a current, valid Measurement Certificate per Class Rule A.11.1. Any yacht without a valid Measurement Certificate may race with the prior approval of the District 14 Governor. This changes Class Rule A.11.2.

All yachts must carry aboard while racing the yacht's current measurement certificate (unless waived) and completed *Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment* per Class Rule B.3. The *Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment* is the sole responsibility of each owner or helmsperson and does not require a class measurer to complete.

RRS 42.3(b) and (c) are replaced as follows:

C.1.1(a) states that RRS 42.3(b) is modified by adding "A boat's crew shall not hang on the mast or shrouds to promote roll tacking or gybing."

C.1.1(b) states that RRS 42.3(c) is modified to allow all parts of the mainsheet to be pulled simultaneously when this rule applies.

#### **Schedule of Races**

A maximum of six (6) races shall be sailed. If three (3) or more races are completed on Saturday, then there can be as many as two (2) races on Sunday. If two (2) or less races are completed on Saturday, then there can be as many as three (3) races on Sunday.

#### Scoring

A minimum of three (3) races must be completed for this event to be considered a regatta for purposes of scoring in the overall 2017 J/24 Texas Circuit series scores.

No race scores will be excluded. This modifies RRS A2.

#### **Protests**

RRS 61.1(a) is modified such that a protesting boat shall conspicuously display a red flag (Code Flag B is acceptable) with a hoist of at least 150mm and a fly of at least 200mm and shall be flown from a leg of the backstay adjuster above the deck.

## **Penalty System**

The 20% Scoring Penalty as provided in RRS 44.3, as modified herein, will apply to boats that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2. The One-turn as provided in RRS 44.1 will apply to boats that may have broken RRS 31.

RRS 44.3(a) is modified such that the boat taking a Scoring Penalty shall conspicuously display a yellow flag (Code Flag I acceptable), and the flag shall have a hoist of at least than 150mm and a fly of at least than 200mm and shall be flown from a leg of the backstay adjuster above the deck.

RRS 44.3(c) is modified as follows: The race score for a boat that takes a Scoring Penalty shall be the score she would have received without that penalty, made worse by the penalty number. The penalty number shall be calculated by applying 20% against the number of boats competing and rounding to the nearest whole number (rounding 0.5 upward). However, she shall not be scored worse than Did Not Finish. The scores of other boats shall not be changed by application of these penalties; therefore, two boats may receive the same score.

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After-Race Scoring Penalty – A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while racing may take a penalty after racing and prior to the start of a protest hearing involving the incident. Her penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty of 40% calculated as described in RRS 44.3(c) as modified herein. However, rules 44.1(a) and 44.1(b) shall apply.

A boat accepting a 20% or After-Race Scoring Penalty shall deliver to a member of the protest committee, prior to the beginning of a hearing, a written statement by completing a "Scoring Penalty Acceptance Form" that identifies the race number and where the incident occurred.

#### **Haul-Out Restrictions**

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with prior written permission of the protest committee. However, in the case of emergency, permission may be granted retroactively.

## **Diving Equipment, Plastic Pools and Careening Restrictions**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the time they are launched and the end of the regatta.

Careening by any means for the purposes of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited.

The hull may be cleaned by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

## **Crew Substitution or Sail Replacement**

All crews must consist of at least three (3) persons with weight not exceeding 400 kg (882 lbs). All competitors will be weighed during registration and the crew shall remain the same for all races. Any crew substitution requires written permission of the District 14 Governor or designated Texas Circuit Representative, which will be given only in exceptional cases.

Pursuant to Class Rule A.10.2.(b), damaged sails may be replaced with the authorization of the District 14 Governor or designated Texas Circuit Representative. Requests for sail replacement shall be made to the District 14 Governor designated Texas Circuit Representative at the first reasonable opportunity. Replacement sails shall comply with IJCA Class Rules.

Any yacht whose sail number does not match their hull number may race in the regatta upon prior approval of the race officials by posting a request on the Official Notice Board.

Any replies to crew substitution or sail replacement shall be posted on the Official Notice Board.

#### **Equipment and Measurement Checks**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with IJCA Class Rules and Sailing Instructions.

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