

## **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.**

### **1. Rules**

- 1.1. The regatta is also governed by the Notice of Circuit for the 2020 J/24 Texas Circuit and the 2019 International J/24 Class Rules (“Class Rule”).
- 1.2. In accordance with Class Rule A.11.1, all boats must have a current, valid Measurement Certificate issued by the J/24 Class and current (completed annually) Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment. A boat without a Measurement Certificate is granted a waiver for the 2020 Circuit season. This changes Class Rule A.11.1.
- 1.3. Bow numbers assigned to each boat pursuant to the J/24 Texas Notice of Circuit and will be used as the identification for the boat during the regatta.
- 1.4. 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.
- 1.5. Boats may use mobile telephones during racing if use of same is provided for in Sailing Instructions as means to communicate with race officials. This changes Class Rule C.5.2(b)(1).
- 1.6. Pursuant to Class Rule Section C, boats shall comply with all Class Rules while racing, as amended or waived herein.

### **2. 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.

### **3. Haul-Out Restrictions**

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with prior written permission by submitting a request in writing to the race officials. However, in the case of emergency, permission may be granted retroactively. Any replies to haul-outs shall be posted on the Official Notice Board.

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

- 4.1. 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.
- 4.2. Careening by any means for the purposes of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited.
- 4.3. The hull may be cleaned by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

## **5. Crew Substitution or Sail Replacement**

- 5.1. Pursuant to Class Rule C.2.1, all crews must consist of at least three (3) persons with weight not exceeding 400 kg (882 lbs). Crew will not be weighed; however, boats should still achieve to not exceed the 400 kg (882 lbs) weight limit and crew shall remain the same for all races of a single regatta. Any crew substitution shall be given only in exceptional cases and by submitting a written request to the race officials at least 2 hours prior to racing on the day in which the substitution is requested.
- 5.2. Not more than one mainsail, one jib and one genoa shall be carried aboard. In the event a mainsail, jib or genoa is damaged beyond repair during the regatta, boats may request a sail replacement by submitting a request in writing to the race officials. Said request may be made at the first reasonable opportunity. Replacement sails shall comply with Class Rules.
- 5.3. Class Rule C.10.2 is changed to allow boats to carry aboard two (2) spinnakers, subject to the following:
  - 5.3.1. The Sail/Royalty Tag Nos. for all sails used during each regatta must be declared in permanent writing on the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment.
  - 5.3.2. Spinnakers may be used interchangeably during a regatta; however, in the event one of the declared spinnakers is lost or damaged beyond repair during a regatta, a replacement spinnaker is not allowed and the boat must sail only with the remaining declared spinnaker.
- 5.4. Pursuant to Class Rule A.9.1., the mainsail, 150% genoa and spinnaker shall make a valid attempt to have the same sail numbers as their boat's hull number. Any boat whose sail numbers do not match their hull number may race in the regatta without a written request, unless the Sailing Instructions state otherwise.
- 5.5. Any requests and replies to sail number changes, crew substitution or sail replacement shall be posted on the Official Notice Board.

## **6. Shorthanded J/24 Racing, if available**

- 6.1. In the event the race officials have provided for a shorthanded fleet in which a J/24 will compete with one (1) to two (2) persons, or three (3) persons if not competing on the Texas Circuit racecourse, those boats will not be scored in the overall Texas Circuit scores. Further, while these boats should endeavor to comply with the Class Rules, they may not be protested or penalized for not doing so.