



2021 Surfin' Safari
Corpus Christi Yacht Club (CCYC)
June 12-13, 2021

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the prescriptions therein, the J/22 class rules as defined in the posted Addendum to the Notice of Race, the current International J/24 Class Rules (IJCA), and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 In accordance with IJCA Rule A.11.1, all boats must have a current, valid Measurement Certificate. Any boat without a valid Measurement Certificate may race in the Event with the prior approval of the District 14 Governor. This changes IJCA Rule A.11.2. No formal provisions for boat measurement will be available at the Event.
- 1.3 All boats must also carry aboard while racing the boat's current Measurement Certificate (unless waived) and completed *Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment* per IJCA Rules B.3. This *Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment* form is the sole responsibility of each owner or helmsman and does not require a class measurer to complete.
- 1.4 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.
- 1.5 RRS 42.3(b) and (c) are replaced as follows:
 - 1.5.1 IJCA Rule 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."
 - 1.5.2 IJCA Rule 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.
- 1.6 RRS 61.1(a) is modified such that a protesting boat shall conspicuously display a red flag (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.
- 1.7 RRS 62.2 (a) and 66.2 (a) do not apply.

- 1.8 Any questions regarding these SIs must be submitted in writing to the PRO. The questions and answers will be posted on the official notice board.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

- 2.1 Any changes to the SIs must be approved beforehand by the PRO and, where relating to Class or Texas Circuit Rules, the USJCA District 14 Governor ("Governor") or designated Texas Circuit Representative.
- 2.2 Approved changes will be posted not later than 15 minutes after the conclusion of the daily competitor's meeting.
- 2.3 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.4 Oral changes to a SI may be made on the water by the display of flag "L" and one sound from the Race Committee (RC) signal boat.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the outside window of the Lanai, upstairs and outside at the CCYC.
- 3.2 The race office is located on the Lanai.
- 3.3 On the water, the RC intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 68.
- 3.4 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the CCYC flagpole.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 A **maximum** of six (6) races shall be sailed. Schedule of racing is as follows:

Fri, June 11	1800-2000	Registration, check-in - Lanai
Sat, June 12	0800-0900	Registration, check-in - Lanai
	0915	Competitor's meeting - Lanai
	1030	First warning signal of the day; additional races to follow
	1700	No warning signal may be made after this time
Sun, June 13	0830	Competitor's meeting - Lanai
	0930	First warning signal of the day; additional races to follow
	1330	No warning signal may be made after this time

- 5.2 If three (3) or more races are completed on Saturday, then there may be as many as two (2) races on Sunday. If two (2) or less races are completed on Saturday, then there may be as many as three (3) races on Sunday.

6 **CLASS FLAGS and STARTING SEQUENCE**

- 6.1 First start: J/24. Class flag: numeral pennant "1."
6.2 Second start: J/22. Class flag: numeral pennant "2."

7 **RACING AREA**

Races will be conducted on Corpus Christi Bay, just east of the breakwater.

8 **COURSES**

- 8.1 The diagram in **Attachment 1** shows the course, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
8.2 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

9 **MARKS**

- 9.1 Mark 1 and mark 2 s/p (gates) will be orange tetrahedrons.
9.2 The offset mark 1a will be an orange hippity hop.
9.3 The start and finish pin will be a yellow tetrahedron.

10 **THE START**

- 10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat and the course side of the starting mark or a RC vessel at the pin end displaying an orange flag.
10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
10.4 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the RC will attempt to hail her sail/bow number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This modifies RRS 62.1(a).
10.5 A boat that does not start within four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11 **CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 11.1 The RC reserves the ability to tweak the course during a race to maintain fairness of no more than 10 degrees or .10nm.
11.2 To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark, or move the finishing line, and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
11.3 New marks will be yellow tetrahedrons.
11.4 When the weather mark is moved, the offset will also be moved and reset.

12 **THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC vessel and the course side of the finishing mark or a RC pin vessel displaying an orange flag. This changes RRS Race Signals.

13 **PENALTY SYSTEM**

13.1 For the J/24 class only:

13.1.1 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 penalty as provided in RRS 44.1 will apply to boats that may have broken RRS 31.

13.1.2 RRS 44.3(a) is modified such that the boat taking a Scoring Penalty shall conspicuously display a yellow flag (code flag "I" acceptable) at the time of the incident, and the flag shall have 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.

13.1.3 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 in the event and rounding to the nearest whole number (rounding 0.5 upward). However, she shall not be scored worse than Did Not Finish (DNF). The scores of other boats shall not be changed by the application of these penalties; therefore, two boats may receive the same score.

13.1.4 In addition to informing the RC at the finish line, as required by RRS 44.3(b), a boat accepting an After-Race Scoring Penalty shall also submit a Scoring Penalty Acceptance Form or a written statement that identifies the incident to the arbitrator or protest committee representative within the protest time limit. These forms will be available at the front desk of the CCYC.

13.1.5 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, RRS 44.1(a) and 44.1(b) shall apply.

13.1.6 A boat accepting a 40% After-Race Scoring Penalty shall deliver to the arbitrator or member of the protest committee, prior to the beginning of a hearing, a Scoring Penalty Acceptance Form or written statement that identifies the race number and where the incident occurred.

13.1.7 A boat failing to comply with SI 17.1 will receive a scoring penalty of 20% in the next race, without a hearing, calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c). This modifies RRS 63.1 and A5.

13.1.8 Other penalties as per RRS 64.2 apply for breaking some IJCA rules. See **Attachment 2**.

13.2 For the J/22 class: RRS Appendix V1 and V2 shall apply.

14 **TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]**

14.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit, and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
45 minutes	120 minutes	30 minutes

14.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

14.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

15 **HEARING REQUESTS**

15.1 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the RC signal boat docks. This modifies RRS 61.3. The docking time will be posted on the official notice board.

15.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office at the front desk of the CCYC. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the protest committee or the CCYC front desk within the protest time limit.

15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located upstairs at CCYC in the library, as soon as practical after a protest has been filed.

15.4 The protest committee will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt.

16 **SCORING**

16.1 A boat's series score is the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.1.

16.2 For the J/24 class, three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.3 For the J/22 class, two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

17 **SAFETY REGULATIONS**

17.1 [DP] Before the warning signal of the first race each day, each boat shall sail on starboard tack past the stern of the RC signal boat displaying flag L and hail her bow number until acknowledged by the RC by repeating the boat's bow number. Boats failing to check-in shall receive a penalty as indicated in SI 13.7.

17.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.

17.3 [DP][NP] In accordance with RRS 40.1, when the RC displays flag "Y," all competitors must wear a PFD at all times while on the water.

18 **REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT – J/24 CLASS ONLY**

18.1 Pursuant to J/24 Class Rule C.2.1, all crews must consist of at least three (3) persons with weight not exceeding 400 kg (882 lbs). Per the 2021 J/24 Notice of Circuit, the organizers and hosts waive the requirement for crew weigh-in, subject to protest, and the crew shall remain the same for all races of a single event. Any crew substitutions shall be given only in exceptional cases and requires that the helmsperson submit a written request to the Governor or Circuit Rep at least two (2) hours prior to racing on the day in which the substitution is requested.

18.2 Not more than one (1) mainsail, one (1) jib and one (1) genoa shall be carried on board. In the event a mainsail, jib or genoa is damaged beyond repair during the event, boats may request a sail replacement by submitting a request in writing to race officials, evidencing written approval by the Governor or Circuit Rep. Said request may be made at the first reasonable opportunity. Replacement sails shall comply with Class Rules.

18.3 J/24 Class Rule C.10.2 is changed to allow boats to carry two (2) spinnakers, subject to the following:

18.3.1 The Sail/Royalty Tag Nos. for all sails used during each event must be declared in permanent writing on the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment.

18.3.2 Spinnakers may be used interchangeably during an event; however, in the event one of the declared spinnakers is lost or damaged beyond repair during the event, a replacement spinnaker is not allowed, and the boat must sail only with the remaining declared spinnaker.

18.3.2 A competitor or technical committee (which includes the Governor and/or Circuit Rep) may submit a protest for violation of J/24 Class Rules C.10.2(a) or (b), as amended. If a violation is found to have occurred, the race officials shall impose a score penalty of 40% as calculated by RRS 44.3(c), applied to the race(s) in which such violation occurred, without a hearing.

18.4 Pursuant to J/24 Class Rule A.9.1, the mainsail, 150% genoa and spinnaker must all have the same sail numbers as their boat's hull number. Any boat whose sails do not match their hull number may race in the event, but requires that the helmsperson submit a written request to the protest committee informing them of the sail and number in which they will be competing with, and will include the prior approval of the J/24 Governor or Circuit Rep at least two (2) hours prior to racing on the day in which the substitution is requested.

19 **EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

20 **TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessel.

21 **HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

[DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the RC. However, in the case of emergency, permission is granted retroactively.

22 **DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

22.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the last race of the event.

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

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

23 **PRIZES**

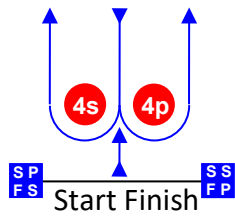
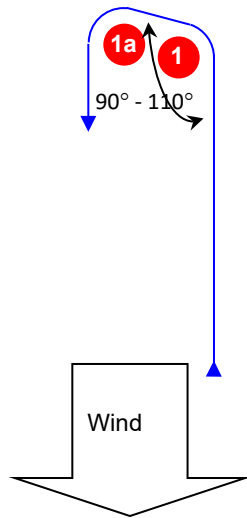
Prizes will be awarded to the top three (3) boats in each class.

24 **RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

ATTACHMENT 1 COURSE DIAGRAM

Windward Leeward with offset



Course: Leeward finish

	Mark Rounding Order
	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish

ATTACHMENT 2

Alternative Penalties for Breaking Some J/24 Class Rules

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

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

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.