SOUTHWESTERN YACHT CLUB



NOTICE OF RACE J24 WEST COAST CHAMPIONSHIP SAN DIEGO



Friday, Saturday, and Sunday October 14, 15 and 16, 2022 South Bay San Diego

[DP] in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the jury, be less than disqualification.

[NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for a breach of this rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The <u>Racing Rules</u> of Sailing*, *Including US Sailing Prescriptions*, except <u>US Sailing Prescriptions</u> to Rule 63.2 will not apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available by **1700 on Friday**, October 14, 2022, on the online official notice board.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located <u>here</u>, or through the <u>SWYC</u> website.
- 3.2 An announcement board is located on the Staff Commodore Room windows.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68.
- 3.4 [NP][DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channels.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all members of organizations affiliated with US Sailing.
- 4.2 The regatta is open to J-24 class boats.
- 4.3 All eligible boats must enter on-line no later than **1800 on Thursday**, October 13, 2022. Late entries may be taken at the discretion of the OA.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 [NP] Bow numbers will be assigned to each boat and will be used as identification for the boat during the event. 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 event.
- 4.6 A crew nominated or listed for this event shall remain the same throughout the event. Emergency changes may be made only with written permission of the race committee.

5 FEES

- 5.1 \$100 registration fee. After October 1, 2022, late registration fee is \$150.
- 5.2 The Registration Fee includes inspections, launching, hauling, storage/mooring while at the event, racing, social functions for all crew (Opening Ceremony cocktail hour on Friday; BBQ or Pasta Dinner on Saturday; trophies and hors d'oeuvres on Sunday), and prizes.

6 ADVERTISING

6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority

7 REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION

- 7.1 All competitors will be weighed during registration.
- 7.2 All sails will be inspected for royalty stickers.
- 7.3 Boats will be subject to inspection at any time for any class rules, safety gear and J24 class equipment during the event. Boats are assumed to have all equipment.

8 SCHEDULE

- 8.1 The first warning signal will be at 1155 hours on Saturday, October 15, 2022, and Sunday, October 16, 2022. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable.
- 8.2 Three (3) races are planned for Saturday, October 15, 2022, and two (2) races are planned for Sunday, October 16, 2022. The Race Committee may run more or fewer races than scheduled per day in order to complete the maximum number of races scheduled.
- 8.3 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.

8.4

Pre-Arrival		
September 1, 2022		Registration Opens
October 1, 2022		Early Registration ends - \$100
October 2, 2022		Late Registration begins - \$150
October 13, 2022	1800	Online Registration Closes
Event		
Friday, October 14	1200	Registration Opens
Friday, October 14	1200-1600	Sail Inspection and Crew Weigh-in
Friday, October 14	1600	Registration Closes
Friday, October 14	1600	All Boats Afloat
Friday, October 14	1700-1900	Opening Ceremony Skipper/Crew
		Cocktail Hour – Guest Speaker
Saturday, October 15	0800-1000	Competitors' Breakfast (buffet)
Saturday, October 15	0930	Competitors' Briefing
Saturday, October 15	1000	Boats off dock to South Bay
Saturday, October 15	1155	Warning - first race of the day
Saturday, October 15	1800-2000	Competitors' BBQ or Pasta Dinner
Sunday, October 16	0800-1000	Competitors' Breakfast (buffet)
Sunday, October 16	1000	Boats off dock to South Bay
Sunday, October 16	1155	Warning - first race of the day
Sunday, October 16	1500	No warning signal after this time
Sunday, October 16	1730-1930	Closing ceremony – Trophies and
		hor d'oeurvers

9 VENUE

- 9.1 The event will be held at Southwestern Yacht Club located in San Diego, CA.
- 9.2 The racing area will be the South San Diego Bay. For navigation, refer to NOAA Chart #18773, San Diego Bay.
- 9.3 The starting area will be in the vicinity of buoy SD30.

10 COURSES

10.1 All courses will be windward/leeward. It is the intention of the race committee to utilize windward offset and leeward gate marks.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 RRS Appendix T: *Arbitration* will apply.
- 11.2 RRS Appendix V: *Alternative Penalties* will apply.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 Five (5) races are scheduled over two (2) consecutive days.
- 12.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 12.3 Each boat's regatta score shall be the total of their race scores. No score will be excluded.

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 Trophies will be awarded at the After-Race Social and Closing Ceremony at SWYC as soon as possible after racing, Sunday, October 16, 2022. The SWYC membership invites all racers to enjoy the hospitality of the SWYC clubhouse during the regatta.
- 13.2 The *J24 West Coast Championship Trophy* will be awarded to the first-place boat in the class.
- 13.3 The *J24 West Coast Junior Champion Trophy* will be awarded to the top Junior Skipper (comprised of a helmsperson under the age of 25 at the time of the event).

14 BERTHING

- 14.1 [NP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned slips or designated area, as directed by the organizing authority.
- 14.2 Trailers may be stored in the SWYC parking lot.

15 LAUNCHING AND HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 15.1 [DP] Boats shall be afloat by 1600 on October 14, 2022, and shall not be hauled out during the event except in accordance with the prior written permission and terms of the Technical Committee Chair.
- 15.2 Rudders shall remain affixed in the water.
- 15.3 A member of Southwestern Yacht Club must be present while the hoist is in use.

16 DIVING EQUIPMENT, PLASTIC POOLS AND OTHER PROHIBITED ACTIONS

- 16.1 [DP] Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used between the time the boat is afloat and the end of the event. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes, cloth or other equipment designed for that use.
- 16.2 [DP] Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the event.
- 16.3 [DP] The use of dehumidifiers or electric fans are prohibited at all times.

17 RISK STATEMENT

- 17.1 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. 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. The race organizers (SWYC, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or another 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 participation in this event. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against SWYC and its officers, directors, members, committees, and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of *The Racing Rules of* Sailing or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.
- 17.2 All competitors will be required to sign a Competitor Liability Waiver form to be provided at weigh-in.

18 INSURANCE

18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate, valid third-party liability insurance.

19 MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the USA J/24 Class Association, Southwestern Yacht Club, 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.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions may be addressed to:

Organizing Authority Representative: Bill Ramacciotti, at sailfleet@southwesternyc.org SWYC R/C Secretary, Colleen Cooke, at sailorcookie@cox.net or (619)852-5010.