



International J/22 Class Association  
2024 Midwinter Championship Regatta

March 21-24, 2024  
New Orleans, Louisiana

Organizing Authority: Southern Yacht Club and IJ22CA



## Sailing Instructions

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### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the International J/22 Class Rules.
- 1.2 US Sailing Appendix V1 and V2 apply.
- 1.3 Rules changed by this SI are so noted herein.

### 2. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted online at [j22mw.com](http://j22mw.com) and on the Notice Board located in the SYC 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Grill Room.
- 2.2 The Race Committee (RC) will use **VHF 72**, with VHF 68 as an alternate.
- 2.3 Oral instructions may be given on the water at the discretion of the RC. Competitors may be hailed by voice, VHF radio or loud hailer.
- 2.4 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction includes mobile devices. [DP]

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 Any questions regarding the Sailing Instructions shall be submitted in writing, via text or email, to the Principal Race Officer. Written answers shall be posted on the official Notice Board as soon as practicable.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the “A” frame structure located near the boat hoists in the SYC dry storage area.

- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than thirty (30) minutes’. This changes RRS Racing Signals AP.

### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Competitors Briefing Thursday at 1900.
- 5.2 Dates of Racing:
  - **Thursday** – Practice Race – First warning at 1455.
  - **Friday** – Races begin, lunch on the water.
  - **Saturday** – Races continue, lunch on the water.
  - **Sunday** – Races continue, lunch on the water.
- 5.3 Nine (9) races are scheduled.
- 5.4 The scheduled first warning signal each day is 0955.
- 5.5 On Sunday, no warning signal will be made after 1400.
- 5.6 The debriefing after the last race of each day will be under the Yacht Club near the “Tiki Bar”.

### 6. CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be a white flag.

### 7. RACING AREAS

The racing area is on Lake Pontchartrain, approximately two miles NNE of SYC.

### 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams in Appendix A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, 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 race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

### 9. MARKS

- 9.1 Marks are described in Appendix A.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in SI 12.1, will be yellow.

## 10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal boat at the starboard end and the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat at the port end.

## 11. RECALLS

- 11.1 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, or if she must comply with RRS 30.1, the RC will attempt to hail her sail number.
- 11.2 Failure to make a successful hail and the timing of any hail made, will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 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.
- 12.2 When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## 13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 An upwind finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.
- 13.2 A downwind finishing line will be between the staffs displaying blue flags on two boats, as shown on the diagram in Appendix A.

## 14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The race time limit shall be 90 minutes.
- 14.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 45 minutes, the race shall be abandoned. This changes RRS 35.
- 14.3 Boats failing to *finish* within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing unless they subsequently retire or are penalized. A boat scored TLE shall be scored two (2) points greater than the last boat to finish, but not worse than DNF. This changes RRS 35, A5.2, and A10.

## 15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks or the RC signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official Notice Board.

15.2 Protest forms are available at the race office, located in the Baldwin Room on the second floor near the reception office. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the 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 witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Baldwin room.

## 16. SCORING

- 16.1 Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

## 17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 Boats shall check in with the RC signal boat and be acknowledged before the first race of each day. [DP]
- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

## 18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the jury. [DP]
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the jury. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race. [DP]

## 19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. [DP]

## 20. OFFICIAL BOATS

- 20.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:
  - RC Boat – Blue RC Flag
  - Auxiliary RC Boats – Yellow RC flag
  - Judge Boats – Judge Flag
- 20.2 Official boats will not accept or hold personal items or equipment for competitors.

## 21. SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. [DP]

## 22. TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard official or support boats.

## 23. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

23.1 By 2200 hours on Thursday, all boats shall be afloat and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the jury. Rudders shall remain affixed. [DP]

23.2 Dehumidifiers, heaters or air conditioners shall not be used after 2200 hours on Thursday.

## 24. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around competing J22's between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

## 25. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- The top five (5) boats of the regatta.
- Daily winners.
- Additional prizes may be awarded.

## 26. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal exposure, illness, injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 27. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## 28. CONTACTS

For further information please contact any of the following:

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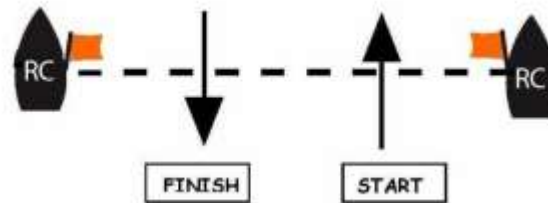
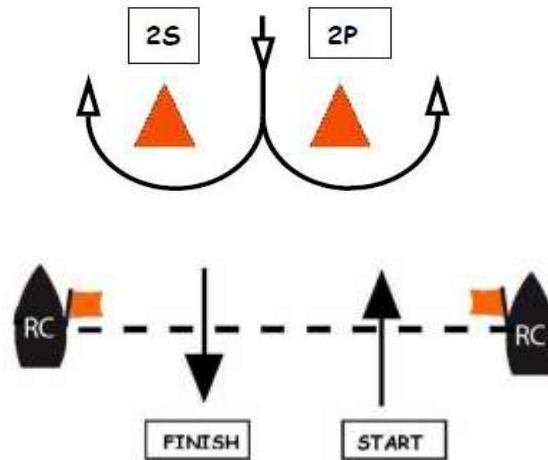
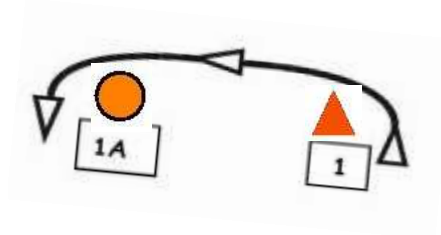
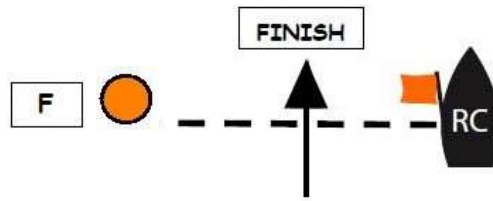
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# Appendix "A"

## Course Diagram



### Course Designation Examples

Note: Course Designations Indicates Number of Legs Excluding Offset (1 to 1a)

Course **W2**: Start - 1 - 1A - Finish

Course **W4**: Start - 1 - 1A - 2S/2P - 1 - 1A - Finish (Downwind)

Course **W5**: Start - 1 - 1A - 2S/2P - 1 - 1A - 2S/2P - Finish (Upwind)

**COURSE DIAGRAM IS NOT TO SCALE**