



**International J/22 Class Association  
Midwinter Championship Regatta**

**Southern Yacht Club  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
March 21–24, 2024**



## Notice of Race

On behalf of the International J/22 Class Association and J/22 Fleet 46, Southern Yacht Club is pleased to invite all sailors to the 2024 Midwinters. The organizing authority for this regatta is the IJ22CA and the Southern Yacht Club.

### 1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), and the [International J/22 Class Rules](#).
- 1.2 US Sailing Prescriptions (USSP) shall also apply.
- 1.3 The combined crew weight restriction of class rule C.2.1.(a) will not apply. See also NOR 6.3.

### 2. Advertising

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

### 3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the J/22 class. All skippers must be members of the J/22 Class Association and shall meet all requirements of registration before becoming official competitors.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration form and paying the entry fee. Required fees must be paid prior to the Competitor's Meeting.
- 3.3 Class Dues for 2024 are payable at registration.
- 3.4 The entry fee includes tickets for three (3) competitors to all social events. Additional social packages for additional crew members and non-competitors are available.
- 3.5 Competitors shall submit a crew list at registration. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the chief judge. Substitution will be permitted only in case of illness, accident or other exceptional circumstances. [DP]
- 3.6 A boat's number of crew shall not change during the regatta. [DP]

### 4. Fees

- 4.1 Required fees:
  - Entry Fee paid prior to March 8, 2024: \$250.
  - Entry Fee paid on or after above date: \$300.
- 4.2 Optional fees:
  - Additional social package, per person: \$50.
- 4.3 Register and pay fees online at:  
<http://www.j22mw.com>

### 5. Schedule

- 5.1 **Thursday, March 21, 2024:**
  - Registration 1000–1900
  - Practice Race First Warning Signal 1455
  - Competitors Meeting and Welcoming Reception 1900
  - All boats must be launched by 2200 hours. [DP]
- 5.2 **Fri, Sat & Sun, March 22–24, 2024:**  
Multiple races, lunch on the water.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is 0955.
- 5.4 Nine (9) races are scheduled.
- 5.5 No warning signal will be made after 1400 on Sunday.

### 6. Measurement

- 6.1 Each boat shall submit a valid IJ22CA Measurement Certificate before becoming an official competitor. Pre-certification before arriving at the regatta is strongly encouraged. Boats and Owners not obtaining pre-certification must make arrangements with the Chief Measurer prior to the regatta.
- 6.2 Yachts may be inspected or measured during the regatta at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 6.3 Competitors may be requested to provide their total crew weight at registration for use in analysis of race scoring only. This is at the request of the Technical Committee to help determine if this rule should be changed in the future.

## 7. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available online prior to the start of Registration.

## 8. Venue

The racing area will be located on Lake Pontchartrain, approximately two miles NNE of the Southern Yacht Club.

## 9. The Courses

The courses will be windward-leeward courses using dropped marks. Offset marks and gates may be used as necessary.

## 10. Penalty System

The penalty system described in USSP Appendix V1 and V2 shall apply.

## 11. Scoring

11.1 RRS Appendix A will apply except that a boat's worst score will not be excluded until six (6) or more races have been completed.

11.2 Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

## 12. Support Boats

Competitors may not have any contact or communication with support boats after reaching the starting area for the first race of the day until after they are finished racing for the day. [DP]

## 13. Haul-out Restrictions

13.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. [DP]

13.2 Rudders shall remain affixed. [DP]

## 14. Radio Communication

14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

14.2 Each boat shall have a working VHF radio onboard. [DP]

## 15. Prizes

Prizes will be given as follows:

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

## 16. 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.

## 17. Insurance

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

## 18. Further Information

For further information please contact any of the following:

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<http://www.j22mw.com>

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