

International J/22 Class Association 2013 World Championship

Hosted by: Sail Newport
Newport, RI
October 1 - 5, 2013

Notice of Race

On behalf of the International J/22 Class Association and J/22 Fleet 12, Sail Newport is pleased to invite all eligible sailors to the 30th annual J/22 World Championship Regatta.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including all US Sailing Prescriptions.
- 1.2. The class rules for the purposes of the definition of *rule* will be the rules of the International J/22 Class Association (IJ22CA).
- 1.3. In the event of a conflict between languages, this English text shall take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising shall conform to ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display bow numbers and/or event sponsor advertising which will be provided by the Organizing Authority (OA) at registration.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta shall be open to all owners/skippers who are members in good standing with the IJ22CA.
- 3.2. Competitors shall comply with ISAF Regulation 19 (Eligibility Code) which states that all competitors shall be members of their respective Member National Authority or affiliated organization. Proof of membership shall be presented at registration.
- 3.3. The entry fee shall be \$530 for boats registering prior to August 15, 2013. For boats registering on or after August 15, 2013, the entry fee shall be \$655. No entries will be accepted after September 15, 2013.
- 3.4. Entry fee includes entrance to all social activities including beverages after racing each day, opening and closing ceremonies, event dinner, and other event related activities. A number of wristbands equal to the number of crew on board while racing will be issued to each boat in accordance with NOR 18. Additional guest wristbands will be available for purchase online during registration and at Event Headquarters.
- 3.5. In addition to that listed in NOR 3.2, the following documents shall be provided at the time of registration:
 - 3.5.1. A copy of a valid measurement certificate
 - 3.5.2. Proof of insurance including the terms of insurance
 - 3.5.3. Proof of membership as outlined in NOR 3.1

4. EVENT FORMAT

- 4.1. If there are 80 or more boats registered, the OA may opt to run a Qualifying Series, the results of which will divide competitors into Gold and Silver fleets to sail in a Final Series.
- 4.2. If no Qualifying Series is run, the event will consist of a maximum of thirteen (13) races.
- 4.3. In the event of a Qualifying Series, the Final Series will consist of a maximum of ten (10) races.
- 4.4. In the event of a Qualifying Series, the OA will divide competitors randomly into four groups of as nearly equal size as possible which will sail against one another in a round robin format. If a full round robin is completed on Day One, the Qualifying Series will be complete and the fleet split into Gold and Silver. If no round robin can be completed on Day One, up to two full round robins will be run over the course of Days One and Two and the fleet will then be split.

5. SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 28

Registration and Measurement 1000 - 1800

Sunday, September 29

Registration and Measurement 1000 - 1800

Practice Racing 1300

Monday, September 30

Registration and Measurement 1000 - 1800

Practice Racing 1300

Skippers' Meeting and Opening Reception 1800

Tuesday, October 1 - RACE DAY ONE

Competitor Briefing 0830

Initial Warning Signal 1100

Wednesday, October 2 - RACE DAY TWO

Competitor Briefing 0830

Initial Warning Signal 1100

Thursday, October 3 - RACE DAY THREE

Competitor Briefing 0830

Initial Warning Signal 1100

Friday, October 4 - RACE DAY FOUR

Competitor Briefing 0830

Initial Warning Signal 1100

Saturday, October 5 - RACE DAY FIVE

Competitor Briefing 0830

Initial Warning Signal 1100

No initial Warning Signal after this time 1430

5.1. Specific details regarding measurement, registration, and social schedules will be posted on the event website and distributed electronically to registrants.

6. MEASUREMENT

6.1. All competing boats shall plan to arrive at Sail Newport during registration and measurement hours for verification of conformity with class rules.

6.2. Sails shall be measured and stamped by the official measurement staff. Only one set of sails is permitted for use throughout the event.

6.3. Chartered or loaned boats may carry national letters in contravention of class rules.

6.4. Periodic checks may be performed throughout the event at the discretion of the OA.

6.5. All competitors will be required to weigh in during designated registration hours.

6.6. Replacement of equipment or crew will not be allowed without written permission from the OA.

6.7. Replacement equipment shall be subject to measurement.

6.8. Substitute crew will be permitted by the OA only in case of illness, accident, or other exceptional circumstances. In the case of an emergency, permission may be granted retroactively.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1. The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available online and during registration.

8. VENUE

8.1. The regatta will be sailed in the waters off Newport, Rhode Island in either the East Passage of Narragansett Bay or Rhode Island Sound. Specific race area details will be available in the SIs.

9. COURSES

9.1. The course to be sailed will be windward/leeward in configuration. Offset and gate marks will be used.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1. Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

11. SCORING

11.1. The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A shall apply except as modified herein.

11.2. For the Qualifying Series (if used), one set shall constitute a series. A "set" is defined as a group of scored races in which all divisions compete. Each boat's Qualifying Series score shall be the total of all her race scores (no discards) which shall be used to determine the Gold and Silver fleets. This changes RRS A2. One (1) race shall constitute a Qualifying Series.

11.3. A boat's score for the Qualifying Series (if used) will NOT be carried through to the final series.

11.4. For the Final Series, four (4) races shall constitute a series.

11.5. A boat's Final Series score shall be the total of all her race scores excluding her worst score if five (5) or more races have been completed. This changes RRS A2.

12. SUPPORT BOATS

12.1. Support boats shall be registered with the OA and may be required to fly identifying flags provided by the OA.

13. BERTHING AND HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

13.1. Hoist use and dockage is included in the entry fee. Hoists for use by competitors are located at the Sail Newport's Admiral's Pier.

13.2. Dockage will be available for competing boats in the Alofsin Pier Basin on the north end of the Sail Newport property. Dockage is available on a first come, first serve basis.

13.3. Boats are advised of the need to bring extra dock lines and fenders as there may be a need to raft.

13.4. Boats shall not be hauled out and rudders shall remain affixed for the duration of the event beginning at 1800 on September 30 except with and according to written permission from the OA.

14. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

14.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats for the duration of the event beginning at 1800 on September 30.

15. RADIO COMMUNICATION

15.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make or receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

16. PRIZES

16.1. In the event of a Qualifying Series and resulting Gold and Silver fleets, prizes will be awarded to the top five (5) skippers and crews in the Gold and Silver fleets with the top Gold finisher being named the 2013 J/22 World Champion.

16.2. If no Qualifying Series is held, prizes will be awarded to the top ten (10) skippers and crews with the top finisher being named the 2013 J/22 World Champion

16.3. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

17. EVENT HEADQUARTERS

17.1. The Event Headquarters and Hospitality Tent will be located at the Sail Newport Waterfront Center on the north end of the Sail Newport property (300 yards north of the Alofsin Pier Basin).

18. IDENTIFICATION

18.1. A regatta wristband is required for entrance into the Hospitality Tent during social events.

18.2. Vouchers for wristbands will be made available during registration for each boat. Vouchers may be exchanged for a wristband during registration or at the entrance to the Hospitality Tent during social events. Individuals must present a valid photo ID together with a voucher to receive a wristband. If no valid photo ID is presented, or if the individual is under 21 years of age, that individual will receive an "under 21" wristband and will be precluded from consuming alcoholic beverages.

19. MEDIA RIGHTS

19.1. Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage and photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial, or advertising purposes.

20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

20.1. Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, including the OA, Race Committee, International Jury, the State of Rhode Island, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated 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 practice for or participation in this event on the water or ashore. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

21.1. For further information please contact:

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