



# 2009 J/24 World Championship

## Notice of Race

April 30 - May 8, 2009  
Annapolis, MD



Event website: [www.j24worldchampionship2009.com](http://www.j24worldchampionship2009.com)

### 1 Rules

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2 RRS 63.7 will be replaced by: "If there is a conflict between a rule in the notice of race and a rule in the Sailing Instructions, the rule in the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence".
- 1.3 RRS 44 will be changed by the Sailing Instructions to allow penalties to be taken after racing and prior to a protest hearing.
- 1.4 No national prescriptions will apply except US SAILING prescriptions to RRS 68 and 76.1 and added rule 76.3 shall apply. A copy of these prescriptions is included as Attachment 1.
- 1.5 From the time a boat leaves her mooring for the first race of each day until she returns to her mooring and while not racing, she shall not receive outside help except as permitted by rules 41(a) through (e) from any outside source except other competitors and official boats under the direction of the organizing authority. While racing, rule 41 applies without modification.
- 1.6 ISAF Regulation 19, Eligibility Code, will apply.
- 1.7 In compliance with local government regulations, all boats shall have a minimum of one US Coast Guard approved Type III personal floatation device aboard for each person.
- 1.8 Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

- 2 Organizing Authority** - The organizing authority (OA) for this regatta will be the Annapolis Yacht Club, the International J/24 Class Association (IJCA), the US J/24 Class Association (USJCA) and US J24 Fleet 8.

### 3 Advertising

- 3.1 This regatta is designated a Category C event as defined by ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code, as modified by IJCA Class Rule 2.6.
- 3.2 Boats may be required to display bow numbers or other advertisement in accordance with ISAF regulation 20.3(d)(i) and provided by the OA.

### 4 Eligibility

- 4.1 This regatta is open to all qualifying J/24's as prescribed by the IJCA and that have entered properly, paid all fees by 1600 Sunday May 3, 2009.
- 4.2 If there are co-skippers, one of them shall be designated as the primary helmsperson for this regatta.

### 5 Entry and Fees

- 5.1 The early entry fee shall be \$650 with a late fee of \$100 for those entering after 1800 Wednesday, April 1, 2009. Entries will not be accepted after 1800 Wednesday, April 8, 2009. The entry fee shall be fully paid no later than Wednesday, April 15, 2009.
- 5.2 The entry fee includes boat launching and haul out, boat docking/rafting and trailer storage during the regatta, racing, and social activities for 5 competitors. Additional social packages can be purchased online or at registration.

- 6 Boats** - The regatta will be sailed on a bring-your-own-boat basis. Assistance in finding a boat to charter will be provided. Competitors requiring assistance with chartering should visit the event website for more information.

**7 Crew** - Crew changes from the crew listed on the Crew Declaration form at registration shall not be made during the regatta without the advance written permission of the jury. Crew changes will only be permitted by the jury in exceptional circumstances.

**8 Registration and Measurement –**

- 8.1 All boats, equipment, crew, and sails shall be measured by the IJCA Measurement Committee during the measurement period. Measurement of these items will be conducted at the Annapolis Yacht Club Sailing Center.
- 8.2 Proof of marine liability insurance (property and injury) in the amount of \$300,000 covering the person in charge (RRS 46) during this regatta must be provided to the OA at registration.
- 8.3 Each competitor will be required to sign a waiver of liability at registration.
- 8.4 Eligible boats must complete registration and measurement in order to race and be scored.
- 8.5 When requested in writing and upon the showing of good reason, the jury may extend the deadline for a boat to complete the registration and measurement process.

**9 Launching, Mooring, Hauling and Storage**

- 9.1 Launching, mooring, hauling and storage of boats and boat trailers during the regatta are complimentary at designated locations. Participants will be assigned mooring and storage locations at registration.
- 9.2 All boats shall be afloat before 1600 hours on Sunday, May 3rd and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with, and according to the terms of, prior written permission of the jury.
- 9.3 Boats shall not be moored other than in their assigned locations without the permission of the OA or jury.
- 9.4 Hauling of boats at completion of the regatta shall be done in ascending order of bow number. The OA will attempt to assign bow numbers by the distance the boat has to travel immediately following completion of the regatta. Local boats will haul after all traveling boats have been hauled.
- 9.5 For storage at the AYC Sailing Center before or after the regatta contact Dockmaster Jim Hyde: Phone - 410-320-4304; Email - jhyde@annapolisyc.org.

**10 Schedule of Events**

- 10.1 Ten races are scheduled. Two races are scheduled per day.
- 10.2 No warning signal will be made after 1430 hours on Friday, May 8th, 2009.

<b>Thursday, April 30</b>	0800-1900	Measurement, Registration and Weigh-In
<b>Friday, May 1</b>	0800-1900	Measurement, Registration and Weigh-In
<b>Saturday, May 2</b>	0800-1900	Measurement, Registration and Weigh-In
<b>Sunday, May 3</b>	0800-1500 1100 1200 1600	Weigh-In All Boat Must be Launched Warning Signal for Practice Race. Opening Ceremony & Reception/Skippers Meeting
<b>Monday, May 4</b>	0800-0900 1100 After Racing	Late weigh-In Warning Signal For 1 <sup>st</sup> Race of the Day Snacks & Refreshments Evening Social
<b>Tuesday, May 5</b>	1100 After Racing	Warning Signal For 1 <sup>st</sup> Race of the Day Snacks & Refreshments
<b>Wednesday, May 6</b>	1100 After Racing	Warning Signal For 1 <sup>st</sup> Race of the Day Snacks & Refreshments Competitors Dinner
<b>Thursday, May 7</b>	1100 After Racing	Warning Signal For 1 <sup>st</sup> Race of the Day Snacks & Refreshments Regatta Party
<b>Friday, May 8</b>	1100 After Racing	Warning Signal For 1 <sup>st</sup> Race of the Day Snacks & Refreshments Closing Ceremony, Awards, Cocktail Party

**11 Sailing Instructions** - Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and posted on the event website by April 30th, 2009.

## **12 Venue and Courses**

12.1 Racing will take place on the waters of the Chesapeake Bay near Annapolis, Maryland. Images of the venue and racing area can be found on the event website.

12.2 The courses will be 5 leg windward/leeward courses using inflatable drop marks. Gates and offset marks may be used. The target time for a race will be 75 – 90 minutes.

## **13 Penalty System**

13.1 The Scoring Penalty described in RRS 44.3 shall apply. Code flag "I" may be used in place of the yellow flag. Both flags shall have a hoist of not less than 150 mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm. This changes RRS 44.3(a).

13.2 A boat's protest flag shall have a hoist of not less than 150mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

13.3 The Sailing Instructions may specify penalties other than disqualification for breaking some IJCA Class Rules.

**14 Arbitration** - Arbitration will be in effect for protests involving rules of part 2.

## **15 Scoring**

15.1 A minimum of four completed races are required to constitute a world championship.

15.2 The Low Point scoring system described in RRS Appendix A shall apply. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

## **16 Awards and Prizes**

16.1 The winning helmsperson will be named the 2009 J/24 World Champion.

16.2 Prizes will be awarded to the skippers and crew of the top 10 boats overall. Prizes will also be awarded to the top 5 boats in each individual race daily. Other prizes may be awarded.

## **17 Diving Equipment And Plastic Pools**

Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the regatta. Underwater breathing apparatus, plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used during the regatta. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

## **18 Radio Communications**

18.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

18.2 The race committee intends to use VHF marine radio frequencies to broadcast courtesy information to competitors, including OCS hails after starts.

**19 Media Rights** - Competitors give absolute right and permission to the OA 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 Disclaimer of Liability**

20.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

20.2 The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**21 Contact** - Requests for information may be directed to:

Event Chairmen:

Angelo Buscemi	ajbuscemi@aol.com	+1(202)494-3639
David Malkin	david.malkin@aol.com	+1(410)790-2786

Or

AYC Racing Manager

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## ATTACHMENT 1

### Applicable US SAILING Prescriptions to the Racing Rules of Sailing

**Rule 68** After rule 68 add

*US SAILING prescribes that:*

- (a) *A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.*
- (b) *A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.*
- (c) *A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.*

**Rule 76.1** After rule 76.1 add

*US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.*

**Rule 76.3** Add rule 76.3

- 76.3** *US SAILING prescribes that a boat whose entry is rejected or cancelled or a competitor who is excluded from a race or series shall be, upon written request, entitled to a hearing conducted by the protest committee under rules 63.2, 63.3, 63.4 and 63.6.*