



International J/24 Class Association NOTICE OF RACE

2009 CANADIAN J/24 CHAMPIONSHIP

September 17th – 20th

Hudson Yacht Club, Hudson, Quebec

www.hudsonyachtclub.com

Regatta website: www.j24can.com/quebec/2009CanadianJ24Championship.htm

E-mail: infoJ24quebec@gmail.com

Organizing Authority: Hudson Yacht Club and the Canadian J/24 Class Association Quebec District, in conjunction with the Canadian and International J/24 Class Associations

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2012.
- 1.2 The Regatta Regulations of the International J/24 Class (IJCA) will apply.
- 1.3 Racing rules 41, 42.3, 44.3(a), and 61.1 (a) will be changed as follows:

Rule 41: 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 (d) from any outside source except other competitors and official boats under the direction of the organizing authority. While racing, rule 41 applies without modification. This also changes the preamble to Part 4 of the rules.

Rule 42.3: Changed by IJCA class rule 8.2.

Rule 44.3(a) Is changed so that the yellow flag (code flag "I" is acceptable) used by a boat taking a scoring penalty shall have a hoist of not less than 150 mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm.

Rule 61.1 (a) is changed so that the red flag displayed by a protesting boat shall have a hoist of not less than 150 mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm.

- 1.4 Under rule 87, IJCA rule 5.3 is changed as follows:
IJCA rule 5.3: A boat may sail with different crew on different days provided the crew changes are declared at registration. Crew changes not declared at registration require advance written approval of the jury and will only be approved in exceptional circumstances.
- 1.5 Bow numbers will be assigned to each boat and will be used as the identification for the boat during the regatta. Bow numbers shall be applied in accordance with the instructions supplied with the numbers and shall remain affixed until after a boat hauls out at the end of the regatta.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1 Advertising Pursuant to ISAF Regulation 20.5.2. Advertising is permitted as provided in ISAF Regulation 20.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to J/24 Class boats as defined by the IJCA Rules.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may register by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fees, to J/24 Class - Quebec District, 10 Yacht Club Road, Hudson, QC, J0P 1H0. Copy of the registration form will be found on the regatta website at www.j24can.com/quebec/2009CanadianJ24Championship.htm
Registration can also be sent via email to infoJ24quebec@gmail.com. Registration will be confirmed upon receipt of required fees by cheque.
- 3.3 If there are co-skippers, one of them shall be designated as the primary skipper for this regatta.

4. FEES

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows: 275 \$CAN, including 1 regatta banquet (Thursday evening), awards, boat launching and hauling.
- 4.2 Other fees: lunches available for purchase upon reservation at registration on site.
- 4.3 All entry fees are payable by cheque only to: Hudson Yacht Club

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration: Hudson Yacht Club, Thursday, September 17th, 2009, 0900 to 1800
- 5.2 Measurement and inspection: Hudson Yacht Club, Thursday, September 17th, 0900 to 1800
- 5.3 Dates of racing:
Thursday, Sept 17th - Practice Race
Friday, Sept 18th, Saturday, Sept 19th, Sunday, Sept 20th - Championship Racing

- 5.4 Number of races:
Three (3) races are scheduled per day.
One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that the regatta becomes no more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to provisions in the Sailing Instructions.
- 5.5 The scheduled time of the Warning Signal for the Practice Race is **1500**
The scheduled time of the Warning Signal for Championship racing each day is **1000**
- 5.6 No warning signal will be initiated after **1330** on **Sunday, Sept 20th**.

6. REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 At registration, each boat shall present:
- 6.1.1 A valid J/24 measurement certificate issued by IJCA or CJCA including Part C: Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment.
 - 6.1.2 Proof of current and adequate marine liability insurance coverage for a minimum of \$1,000,000.00.
 - 6.1.3 Proof of IJCA membership in the country they represent for the owner and helmsperson.
- 6.2 All competitors will be weighed during registration.
- 6.3 Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the regatta.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at Registration and on the regatta website by August 1st, 2009.

8. VENUE

Location of the regatta harbour and racing areas will be available on the regatta website by August 1st, 2009.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1 The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward. The target time for races is approximately 50 minutes.
- 9.2 An offset mark at the weather mark may be used.
- 9.3 A gate at the leeward mark may be used.

10. PENALTY SYSTEMS

- 10.1 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3 will apply.
- 10.2 The Race Committee may announce the numbers of the boats that have broken starting rules via VHF
- 10.3 Arbitration may be used prior to the protest hearing for protests involving the rules Part 2.

- 10.4 Rule 64.1 will be changed in the Sailing Instructions to permit penalties other than disqualification for breaking some IJCA rules.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 11.2 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 modifies Appendix A.
- 11.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. Boats scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points by the race committee without a hearing. This changes rule A4.2, A5, and A11.

12. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the harbour.

13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall be afloat by *Thursday, Sept 17th, 1800* and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the jury.

14. OTHER PROHIBITED ACTIONS

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

15. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 15.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio or other data transmissions while racing nor receive radio or data communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 15.2 It is the intent of the organizing authority and race committee to use marine VHF radios to communicate with the fleet when outside the harbour. Channels will be communicated in the sailing instructions.

16. PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes will be awarded to at least the top 3 boats entered.
- 16.2 The top-finishing, not previously qualified primary helmsperson who is a current member of CJCA as recognized by the International J/24 Class and meets all other eligibility requirements will earn a berth to the 2010 J/24 World Championship.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. 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.
- 17.2 All competitors will also be required to sign a Competitor Liability Waiver form to be provided in the registration package.

18. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

19. MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the IJCA, the Canadian J/24 Class Association, Hudson 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. INFORMATION

For further information please see the event website at www.j24can.com/quebec/2009CanadianJ24Championship.htm or e-mail questions at infoJ24quebec@gmail.com

