J24 District 3 Championship



Sept 10, 2023 Sayville Yacht Club



Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (**RRS**), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing), the rules of the J24 class and the Notice of Race except as modified by these Sailing Instructions.

2. Eligibility and Entry

All competitors must meet the eligibility requirements as stated in the Notice of Race and have filed valid entries in accordance with the Notice of Race.

3. Notice to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located near the stairway inside the Main clubhouse.

4. Changes in Sailing Instructions

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted before 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

5. Signals Made Ashore

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Sayville Yacht Club Flagpole.
- 5.2. When flag **AP** is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in Race Signal **AP**.

6. Schedule of Races

6.1. Racing is scheduled as follows:

Sunday, September 10 Skippers' Meeting 1030

Sunday, September 10 First Warning Signal 1200

On the final day of the regatta, no warning signal will be made after 1530.

- 6.2. Three races are planned for the series.
- 6.3. One race must be completed to constitute a series.

7. Haul Out

Will occur immediately following the races.

8. Racing Area

The racing area will be on the waters of the Great South Bay, generally south and east of the Sayville Yacht Club.

9. Courses

- 9.1. The courses will be as shown in **Attachment A**.
- 9.2. Designation of the course to be sailed, and approximate compass bearing to the first Mark will be indicated on white board displayed at the stern of the RC Signal boat.
- 9.3. The **Start/Finish** line is open.

10. Marks

- 10.1. Marks of the course will be tall orange cylinders. A small orange ball will be used as an **Offset**Mark 1a off Mark 1.
- 10.2. Change marks will be yellow tetrahedrons.
- 10.3. If **Mark 1** is changed after the start of a race there will be no offset mark (**Mark 1a**) for the rest of that race.
- 10.4. In the event a Gate is used as Leeward Mark, and one of the Gate Marks is missing, the remaining Mark must be rounded to Port.

11. The Start

- 11.1. Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 11.2. The Race Committee may make an attention signal (multiple short air horn blasts) before a warning signal.
- 11.3. The Class Flag will be a J24 Class flag.
- 11.4. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end of the line, and an inflatable orange ball at the port end.
- 11.5. No race shall be started unless there is a minimum wind speed of 3 knots throughout the racing area.
- 11.6. Any boat starting more than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored **DNS**.
- 11.7. The **RC** intends to hail recall numbers of the boats that are **OCS** using VHF channel (To be announced at Skippers meeting) and/or a loudhailer.
- 11.8. Boats are not eligible for redress for the following: Failure to make a recall hail, failure to hear a recall, order of the recall numbers, or timeliness of the hail. This modifies **RRS 62.**

12. The Finish

- 12.1. The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on Race Committee Signal Boat, and an orange inflatable mark.
- 12.2. As soon as practical after finishing, boats shall sail clear of the finish area and remain well outside the race course.

13. Time Limit

The time limit for the first boat to finish a race will be 1.5 hours. In addition, any boat on the course failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored "finished in place".

14. Safety

- 14.1. Each competitor must check in with the Race Committee Signal Boat prior to racing each day. The Race Committee requests, where practical, that this be done before the scheduled first warning signal of the day. Competitors are required to check in again upon returning to the Race Course after going to shore for any reason.
- 14.2. A competitor who withdraws from a race or intends to not start a race shall inform the nearest Safety or Race Committee boat as soon as possible. If unable to notify the Race Committee on the water, such competitor must notify a Race Committee Official on shore promptly upon reaching the shore.

15. Measurement and Equipment

Each competitor is responsible for ensuring their equipment is in compliance with the J24 class rules. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from the regatta.

16. Protests

- 16.1. Competitors intending to protest shall inform the Race Committee immediately after finishing and before communicating with coaches or spectators. Boats should first sail to the non-course side of the Finish Line and report to the Finish Boat. Boats that do not finish shall report their intent to protest to any Race Committee Boat or Shore Personnel at the first opportunity. This changes **RRS 61.1(a)**.
- 16.2. The protest time will be posted on the official notice board. The protest time limit is 60 minutes. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes **RRS 61.3** and **62.2.**
- 16.3. Protest forms are available from the race committee. Protests shall be delivered to the member of the race committee at the official notice board within the protest time limit.
- 16.4. Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt. The time and place of protest hearings will be posted within 15 minutes after the end of the protest time.

17. Scoring

- 17.1. The Low Point Scoring System, **Appendix A2**, will be used except as modified below.
- 17.2. There will not be any throw-out since only three races are planned.

18. <u>Disclaimer of Liability</u>

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. **See RRS 4**, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, Sayville Yacht Club and / or personnel supporting this event will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

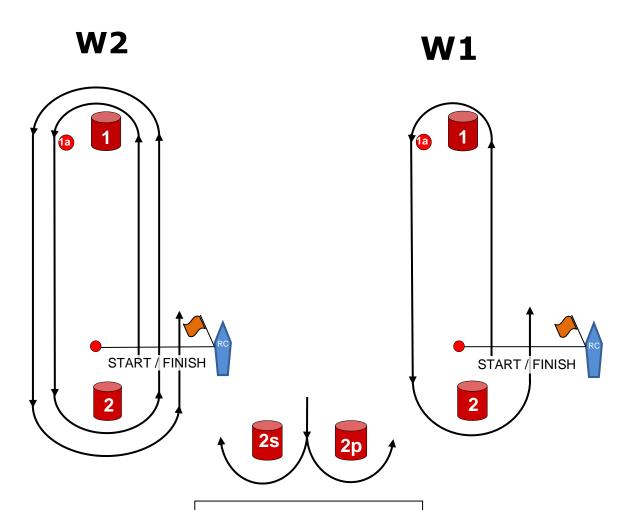
19. Trophies

Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third place. The Kelley Trophy will be awarded to the top SYC member.

Attachment A

W1 Windward / Leeward Once around Start 1, 1a, 2 (or Gate 2s 2p), Finish

W2 Windward / Leeward Twice around Start 1,1a, 2(or Gate 2s 2p), 1,1a, 2(or Gate 2s 2p), Finish



Gate 2s-2p may be used in place of **Mark 2** in larger fleets