



2024 Shark 24 World Championship

Whitby Yacht Club
Whitby, Ontario, Canada
September 7-13, 2024



NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

Amendment 1, Posted 2024/01/02

Amendment 2, Posted 2024/07/04

Amendment 3, Posted 2024/08/14

Amendment 4, Posted 2024/09/08

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1 The 2024 Shark 24 World Championship is organized by the Whitby Yacht Club (WYC) and sanctioned by the International Shark Class Association (ISCA) and World Sailing (WS).

2 RULES

- 2.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the 2021-2024 *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2.2 National prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply. These can be found at [RRS 2021-2024 Sail Canada Prescriptions](#).
- 2.3 Constitution, Rules, and Specifications of the International Shark Class Association will apply. These can be found at <https://shark24.org>.
- 2.4 International Shark Class Association, General Class Rules and Specifications, Rule 9.6 b) will apply. "A yacht shall register (measure) for this event (series, regatta, race) a sail inventory not to exceed 1 mainsail, 3 headsails and 2 spinnakers. These sails shall be distinctively marked by the sponsoring body. Any yacht carrying on board any sail not so marked during any race shall be disqualified from that event."
- 2.5 Arbitration under RRS Appendix T will apply.
- 2.6 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official.

3 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions.
- 3.2 The supplementary sailing instructions will be available by 1800 on August 11 on the [official notice board](#).

4 COMMUNICATION

- 4.1 The official notice board is located at <https://yachtscoring.com>.
- 4.2 [NP][DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel(s) 16, 69, 71, 72 and 73.
- 4.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the supplementary sailing instructions.
- 4.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 The event is open to all boats of the Shark 24 class where the person in charge is a full member of the International Shark Class Association (ISCA).
- 5.2 Eligible boats may enter online at <https://yachtscoring.com>.
- 5.3 Shipped, chartered, or loaned boats sailed by crews from outside North America must enter before June 1, 2024.
- 5.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall:
 - (a) complete the entry form,
 - (b) register all crew members, and
 - (c) pay all fees.
- 5.5 Instruction 5.4, above, must be complete before the person in charge arrives at registration (see Instruction 8.1 below)

6 FEES

- 6.1 The entry fees including three dinners for 3 crew in Canadian currency are as follows:
 - (a) if paid before June 3, 2024, the entry fee is CDN \$750 and includes an entry to a draw for a new Boston genoa valued at CDN \$1,500,

(b) if paid before August 9, 2024, the entry fee is CDN \$750, and

(c) if paid on or after August 9, 2024, the entry fee is CDN \$950.

6.2 Refunds: Provided the person in charge informs the Organizing Authority of the boat's withdrawal from the race:

(a) before or on August 16, 2024, the refund will be 100% of fees paid, or

(b) after August 16, 2024, the refund will be 50% of fees paid.

(c) Withdrawn boats are not eligible for the draw in 6.1 (a).

7 ADVERTISING

7.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

8 SCHEDULE

8.1 Entry:

Closes at 2000 on Tuesday, September 3, 2024.

8.2 Registration, equipment measurement, and launch:

(a) Saturday, September 7, 2024 from 0900 to 1700.

(b) Sunday, September 8, 2024 from 0900 to 1200.

8.3 [DP] Boats shall be launched before Sunday, September 8, 2024 at 1200 unless they have prior written permission of the race committee.

8.4 The Competitor's Information meeting:

1230 on Sunday, September 8, 2024 on the WYC Front Lawn.

8.5 Schedule of races:

(a) A practice race will be held on Sunday, September 8, 2024.

(b) A maximum of 10 course races will be held from Monday, September 9, 2024 to Friday, September 13, 2024. No more than 3 course races will be held each day.

(c) A distance race will be scheduled once 4 course races have been completed. No course races will be held on the day of the distance race.

8.6 The Practice Race counts towards the Bill Metzger Trophy. The warning signal is scheduled for 1400.

8.7 The scheduled time of the warning signal for subsequent days of racing is 1000.

8.8 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.

9 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

9.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate.

9.2 Selected event sails must be measured and signed by a measurer prior to arriving on site for the event. The selected event sails must be presented for review and stamping at registration and will be scrutinized for a measurer's signature. There will be no sail measuring offered at the event.

9.3 Boat measurement is offered at the event from 0900 to 1700 on Friday, September 6, 2024 and Saturday, September 7, 2024, and from 0900 to 1200 on Sunday, September 8, 2024.

9.4 Boats may be inspected at any time.

10 VENUE

10.1 NoR Addendum A shows the plan of the event venue.

10.2 NoR Addendum B shows the location of the racing area.

11 COURSES

11.1 The course diagrams (L, LA, W and WA) in RRS S show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

11.2 For the distance race, the course diagram will be available on the [official notice board](#) no later than 1700 on the day before the day the distance race is scheduled to be run.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 There will be an international jury as provided in RRS 70.5.

12.2 The right of appeal from a protest committee decision is denied as provided in RRS 70.5.

13 SCORING

13.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

13.2 Series Score:

- (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

- (b) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

14.1 A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

15 BERTHING

15.1 [DP] Unless directed to a different location by the technical committee, boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the harbour.

16 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

17 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

17.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.

18 RISK STATEMENT

18.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

19 INSURANCE

19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of CDN \$2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

20 CODE OF CONDUCT

20.1 The Sail Canada SAFE SPORT POLICY PACKAGE, available at <https://www.sailing.ca>, will apply.

21 PRIZES

21.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

- (a) the Shark World Championship Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the regatta,
- (b) keeper prizes will be awarded to the captains and crew of the first 10 boats,
- (c) the Long Distance Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the distance race, and
- (d) the Bill Metzger Trophy will be awarded to the best combined score from the first course race, the distance race and the final course race.

21.2 Prizes will be presented at the closing banquet on Friday, September 13, 2024.

22 FURTHER INFORMATION

22.1 Supplementary Information on launching and mooring, accommodations, social events, and sponsors can be found under Additional Event Documents on the [official notice board](#), and does not constitute a rule.

22.2 For further information please contact [Cameron Smith](#), Chair, 2024 Shark 24 World Championship Organizing Committee at can50506@gmail.com.

22.3 The Whitby Yacht Club is located at 701 Gordon Street, Whitby, Ontario, [Canada](#).

Addendum A - Event Venue



Addendum B - Racing Area

Not for navigation

