



2016
NATIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIP

J
120

BAYVIEW YACHT CLUB - DETROIT, MI

Notice Of Race
2016 J120 National Championship Regatta
Aug. 19th – Aug 21st, 2016
Lake St. Clair
Bayview Yacht Club
Great Lakes Fleet
Detroit, Michigan

The J120 Great Lakes Fleet is the Organizing Authority for this regatta, in cooperation with the J120 Class Great Lakes Fleet and the Bayview Yacht Club.

1. RULES

1.1 The J120 National Championship Regatta (J120 Nationals) will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the J120 Class Rules, and the J120 Great Lakes Fleet Exceptions to Class Rules - March 2014. ([J120 Great Lakes Rules Exceptions 0314.pdf](#)). Where a conflict exists between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will govern.

1.2 Removable bow numbers of contrasting color shall be attached to both sides of the boat's hull at all times while racing. The bow numbers are to be attached with the top approximately 8-10" below deck level and with the leading edge approximately 10-12" aft of the bow. Bow numbers will be provided in the Regatta Skipper's Package at registration. Breach of this rule shall not be subject to protest or a request for redress by a boat. This changes rule 60.1

1.3 Sponsor or other regatta stickers may be required to be attached to each side of each boat as required by the Organizing Authority.

1.4 RRS 62.1 will be changed as stated in 13.1 of this NOR. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may change other racing rules.

2. ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to all J120s whose owners are members in good standing of the J120 National Class Association or one of the fleets of the class. Each registrant must present a timely, duly completed registration and must pay the registration fee. Contestants are to meet the helmsman eligibility requirements published in the rules.

3. ENTRIES

3.1 All Entry Forms are due on or before Wednesday, July 29, 2016. Late entries will be accepted until Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2016 with an additional \$100 late fee. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER AUG. 10, 2016 unless approved by the J120 Nationals Committee.

3.2 Entry Forms are to be completed on the event website at www.yachtscoring.com. Contact Charles Hess at (248)766-3040 or email charleshess@gmail.com or commodore2016@byc.com with questions.

3.3 An entry fee of \$350 must be paid via PayPal on the event website or by check. Make checks payable to: Charles Hess.

3.4 In addition to the entry form and payment, complete registration / check-in requires the following documents. Except where noted, these may be submitted by email to charleshess@gmail.com or sent in advance via mail or hand delivered to the event.

Documents Required:

- 1) Proof of Yacht Ownership.
- 2) Proof of Insurance.
- 3) Signed Measurement Compliance Statement (form on website)

Address for mailing checks and documents:

Charles Hess
4098 Nearbrook Road
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302

Check-in will not be complete nor bow numbers issued until forms are submitted and signed as required.

4. REGISTRATION

4.1 Registration will be conducted either on www.yachtscoring.com or at Bayview Yacht Club on Wednesday, August 17, 16:00 – 17:30 and Thursday, August 18 15:00 – 18:00 PM. All times are EDT. The Sailing Instructions will be made available at registration. Amendments to the NOR or Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 08:00 EDT daily.

5. LAUNCHING

5.1 Launching and haul out can be provided for J120 boats at Bayview Yacht Club. Contact BYC for associated fees at (313) 822-1853.

5.2 Boats requesting to be launched and/or hauled out must make arrangements prior to August 7, 2016.

5.3 All boats must be launched and in the water by 18:00, Thursday, August 18, 2016, unless otherwise allowed by a regatta Judge.

5.4 No haul outs during the Regatta with the exception of emergency repairs approved by the Race Committee.

6. BERTHING

Berthing shall be free of charge at the Bayview Yacht Club and assigned by the 2016 J120 Nationals Dockmaster at time of registration. All regatta participants MUST dock at the Bayview Yacht Club unless prior approval and arrangement have been made with the 2016 J120 Nationals Regatta Chair.

7. MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

7.1 The J120 Nationals Regatta Race Committee or their appointed representatives may board any competitor's boat unaccompanied for the purpose of inspecting, measuring or equalizing at any time during the regatta or within 24 hours before or after the event. All equipment, hulls and sails must comply with the J120 Class Rules.

7.2 All crew intending to race must be registered in advance. All registered crew must sail in each race of the series and crew changes or substitutions must be approved by the race committee in advance.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions shall be provided on www.yachtscoring.com and at the time of registration at Bayview Yacht Club.

9. RACING AREA

Racing area will be on the waters of Lake St. Clair and detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCHEDULE and EVENTS

Thursday, Aug. 18, 2016

Opening Ceremony – 19:00 BYC Clubhouse

Friday, Aug. 19 2016

J120 Nationals Races: First Warning Gun 10:30

Sail as many races as possible

Keg at the club 18:00

Daily prizes awarded 18:30

Saturday, Aug. 20, 2016

J120 Nationals Races: First Warning Gun: 10:30

Sail as many races as possible

No W/L Warning Signal will be made after 15:15 hours

Champagne Race from racing area to dock at BYC: Target finish at 17:00

(Note: The Champagne Race does not count towards the Nationals Regatta event).

Music and Keg at the club 18:00

Daily prizes awarded 18:30

Sunday, Aug. 16, 2015

J120 Nationals Races: First Warning Gun 10:30

Sail as many races as possible.

No Warning Signal will be made after 13:00 hours.

Barbeque at Club 14:30

Closing Ceremony and Awards 15:00

11. COURSES

Courses will be Windward Leeward of various number of legs and lengths.

12. SCORING

The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will be used. As many races will be sailed as conditions allow. One Throw-out will be applied once 6 races have been completed. Two races shall constitute a regatta.

13. PRIZES

13.1 Prizes will be awarded for yachts placing first through third for each day based on total points, and first through fifth Overall in the Regatta. Prizes will be awarded each day of racing at the BYC clubhouse.

13.2 The Perpetual Trophy will be presented at the Closing Ceremony.

13.3 Other special trophies may be awarded.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

The Race Committee may provide general information to competitors on a designated courtesy channel. The failure to broadcast such information or the broadcast of incorrect information shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

15. CONTACT INFORMATION

Direct correspondence or submit questions pertaining to the Regatta to:

Charles Hess

charleshess@gmail.com

248-640-4407

16. PHOTOGRAPHER & TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever; for either editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision of 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.