

The logo features a stylized sailboat in teal and dark blue, with a large 'J' and '24' integrated into its design.

Downeast Regatta '24

NOTICE OF RACE
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September 7-8, 2024
100 W Commercial St, Portland, ME 04102



Hosted by J/24 FLEET 43, Sail Maine, Portland Yacht Club



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1. RULES

1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.1.1. RRS 41 is changed as to the following: From the time a boat leaves her mooring and/or dockage for the first race of the day until she returns to her mooring while not racing, she shall not receive outside help except as permitted by RRS 41 (a) through (d) from any outside source except other competitors and official boats under the direction of the Organizing Authority. While racing, RRS 41 applies without modification. If RC displays Race Signal AP over H, the additions to RRS 41 are suspended until a boat leaves her mooring again. This also changes the preamble to Part 4 of the RRS.

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

1.2. The class rules of the J/24 Class Association (IJCA) shall apply.

1.2.1. Class rule J.4.3 shall be used. "A crew nominated or listed for this event may be different for different days only if scheduled in advance at registration. Emergency changes may be made only with written permission of the race committee."

1.3. If there is a conflict between languages, English will take precedence.

1.4. In Accordance with RRS G3, a chartered or loaned boat for the event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention to IJCA Rules.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1. Competitor Advertising will be restricted as per IJCA Rules.

2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1. The regatta is open to all boats in the J/24 class as defined by the IJCA.

3.2. Eligible boats shall have a measurement certificate, inventory of required and optional equipment as defined by the IJCA Rules, and Boat liability insurance, coverage minimum \$300,000.

3.3. The Helmsperson shall be a current member of the IJCA .

3.4. All documents shall be emailed prior to September 5th to the Downeast Regatta Race Officer, Finn Hadlock at WFinnHadlock@gmail.com

4. BOW NUMBERS

4.1. Bow numbers may be assigned to each boat, and if assigned, will be used as identification for the boat during the regatta.

4.2. Bow numbers, if assigned, 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.

5. REGISTRATION AND FEES

- 5.1. Eligible boats may enter via the link provided:
<https://www.j24fleet43.com/downeast-regatta>
- 5.2. Entry Fees:
 - 5.2.1. Early Registration: Before June 1st, 2024: \$400
 - 5.2.2. Regular Registration: June 1st to August 27th, 2024: \$450
 - 5.2.3. Late Registration: After August 27th, 2024: \$500
 - 5.2.4. Sponsor Registration: Anytime: \$750
- 5.3. All boats planning to compete must be registered by September 3rd, 2024.
- 5.4. Registration includes: launch, haul, docking and social events during the event.
- 5.5. Registration is limited to 30 boats total.

6. MEASUREMENT AND CHECK IN

- 6.1. Check in will be required prior to launching. Check in location to be specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.2. All Required certificates, inventory list(s), and proof of insurance shall be emailed prior to September 6th as described in Section 3.
- 6.3. Any boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with IJCA Rules.
- 6.4. All competitors shall be weighed during on-site check-in hours. Each competitor must have a valid passport or other photo identification, that includes birthdate, at weigh-in

7. SCHEDULE

Friday, September 6th, 2024

- 1200-1630: Launching at Portland Yacht Services
100 W Commercial St, Portland, ME 04102
- 1400-1830: Check-in / Weigh In
- 1630: All boats must be launched
- 1700: Fleet 43 Welcome Refreshments

Saturday, September 7th, 2024

- 0730-0900: Check-in / Weigh In
- 0900: Competitor's meeting
- 0930: Harbor Start
- 1100: First Warning Signal
- 1800: Dinner, Bar, and Live Music at Portland Yacht Services

Sunday, September 8th, 2024

- 1000: First Warning Signal
- 1500: No Warning after this time
- After Racing: Haul out, Pizza, Beer, Awards

8. VENUE, COURSES, AND SCORING

- 8.1. Please note that for 2024, The Downeast Regatta is hosted by Portland Yacht

Services at 100 W Commercial St, Portland, ME 04102

- 8.2. Four racing areas may be used for this event. Please see the attached addendum A. *PRO may adjust the racing areas on the water as necessary.*
- 8.3. The courses shall be windward leeward, up to five legs. A windward offset mark and leeward gate may be used. If an offset mark is used, it is not considered a separate leg of the course.
- 8.4. Seven races are scheduled over two days.
- 8.5. A minimum of one race constitutes a regatta.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1. Sailing Instructions will only be available online prior to the regatta.

10. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 10.1. Boats shall be afloat by 1630 on Friday, September 6th, 2024. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta or launched after the set time unless given prior written permission by the Race Committee.
- 10.2. Rudders shall remain affixed for the duration of the regatta.
- 10.3. Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the regatta.
- 10.4. Underwater breathing apparatus, plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used during the regatta.
- 10.5. The hull may be cleaned at any time before the first preparatory signal of the day by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 11.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make or receive radio or other data communications that are not available to all other boats while racing. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.
- 11.2. It is the intent of the Race Committee to communicate to the fleet via VHF for pertinent information regarding racing.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Prizes shall be awarded to at least the top three boats.
- 12.2. Prizes will be awarded to the Maine State Champion
- 12.3. Other prizes may be given out at the discretion of the OA.

13. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 13.1. All competitors, coaches, and family members are expected to behave in a sportsmanlike manner. This includes behavior both on and off the water including respect for all other persons, personal property of others, and the facilities of Portland Yacht Services. Any competitor who violates this trust in any manner, including the consumption of alcohol by a minor, may be penalized by the OA and/or have a complaint lodged against them by the Jury and/or class association. Penalties imposed by the OA and/or Jury may include disqualification of the boat with which to competitor is associated with,

notification of Law Enforcement, or other penalties the Jury or the OA deem appropriate.

14. LIABILITY

- 14.1.** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

J24 Fleet 43 Website: <https://j24fleet43.com/>

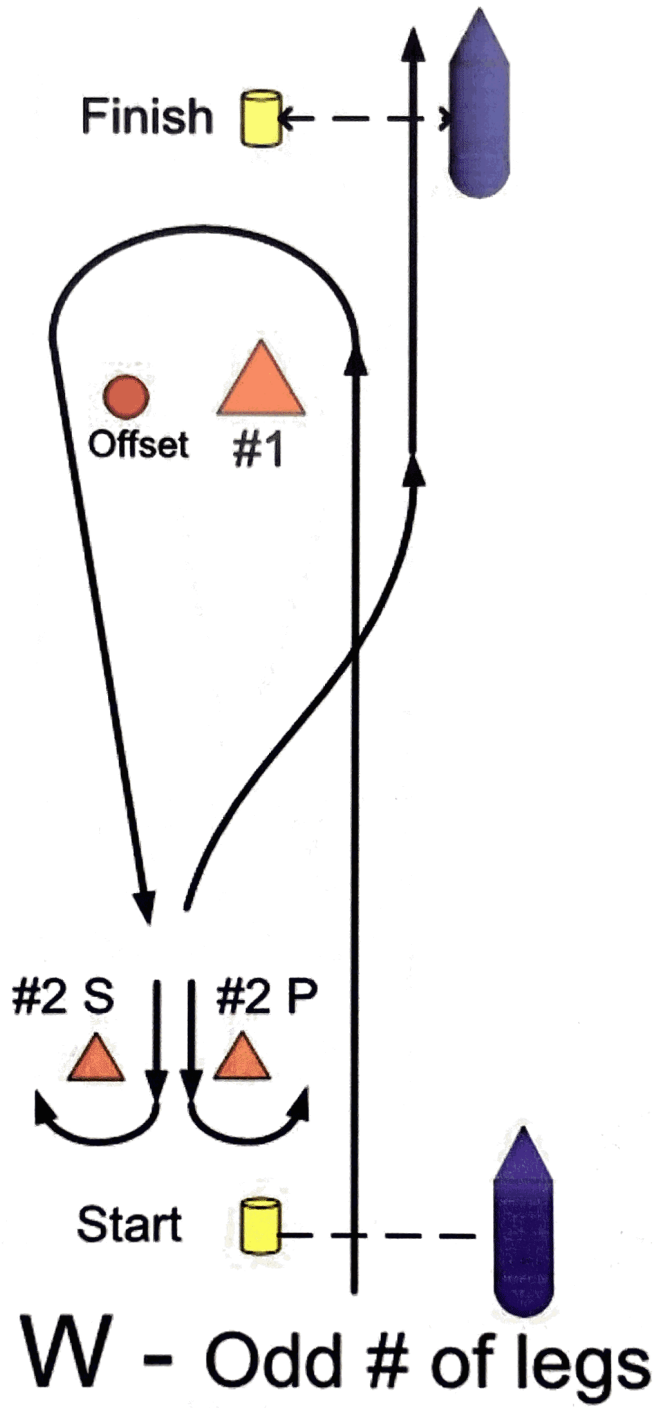
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Tom Wells

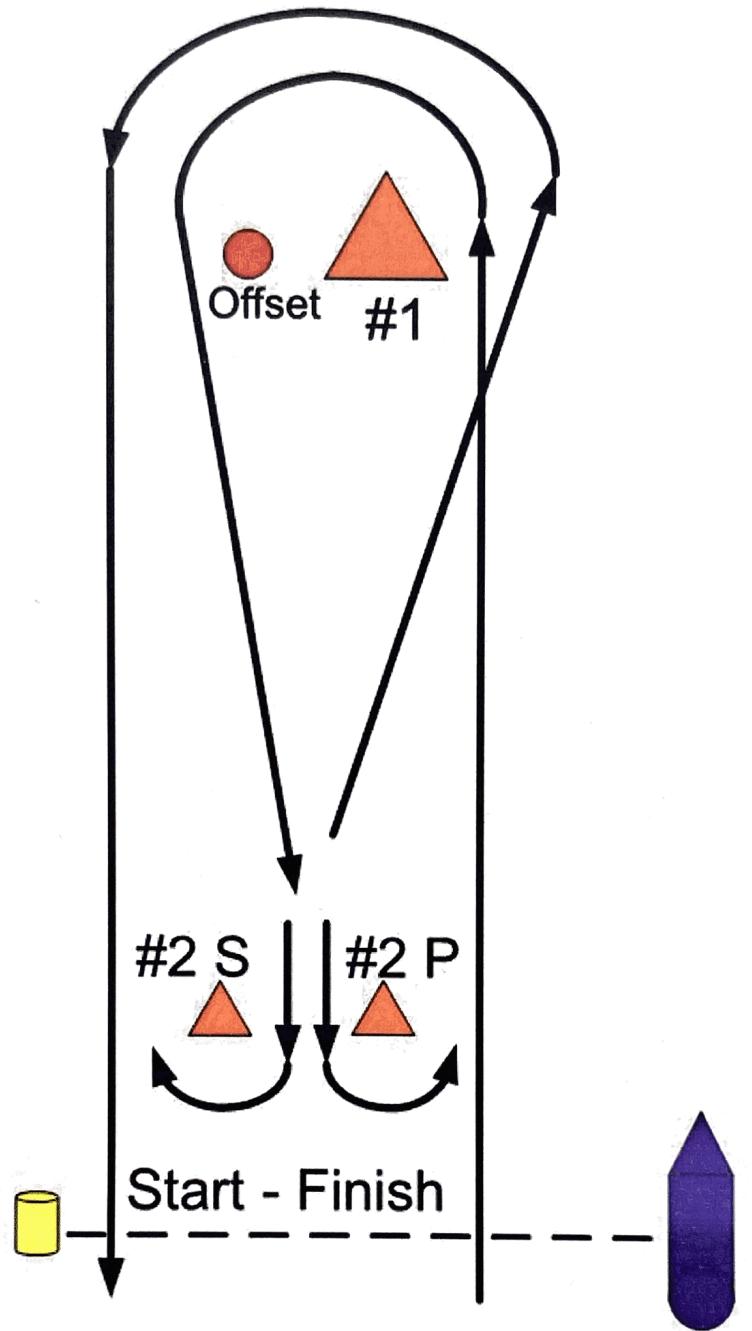
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- (1) Coded entry/exit gate: 7035#
- (2) Options for car parking
- (3) Launch/haul via crane
- (4) Dock space
 - Good Thurs evening through Tuesday morning
 - a few fishing boats will remain on the far-right side of (4b)
 - Leave space available for RC boats at the bottom of the ramp @ (4b)
- (5) Signals at head of ramp on mast crane
- (6) Trailer parking along back fence
 - on-land boat prep/de-rig here
 - Transport boat to/from (3) when ready
- (7) Main Building (G)
 - Enter/exit at star ☆
 - Bathrooms & festivities here
- (8) Lobster Bake Set Up





ATTACHMENT C



W - Even # of legs