



2019 J/24 Midwinter Championship

March 1-3, 2019

Notice of Race

Organizing Authority - Davis Island Yacht Club, Tampa, Florida

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS 41 and 61.1 (a) will be changed as follows:
 - 1.2.1 RRS 41: From the time a boat leaves her mooring and/or dock-slip for the first race of the day until she returns to her mooring and 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, these additions to RRS 41 are suspended until a boat leaves her mooring again. This also changes the preamble to Part 4 of the RRS.
 - 1.2.2 RRS 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.
- 1.3 Bow numbers may be assigned to each boat, and if assigned, will be used as identification for the boat during the regatta. 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.
- 1.4 Class rule J.4.3 will be used for this event.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages, this English text will take precedence.
- 1.6 In accordance with RRS G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the Class Rules.
- 1.7 Appendix T and Appendix V may apply.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to J/24 Class boats as defined by the IJCA Rules.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may register by completing the online registration at REGISTER HERE.
- 2.3 If there are co-drivers, one of them shall be designated as the primary driver for this regatta.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$304.95 (\$285 plus \$19.95 state and local taxes). The competitors' package includes: all regatta parties, daily booze bash, launching, hauling, and rafting facilities, and trailer parking.
- 3.2 Additional Fees: \$53.50 (\$50plus \$3.50 state and local taxes) late fee if entry received after midnight Feb 15, 2019.

4 SCHEDULE

| Date | Time | Activity |
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| Thurs, Feb 28 | 1100 - 1800 | Registration, Weigh-in and Measurement |
| Fri, Mar 1 | 0800 - 0900 | Registration, Weigh-in and Measurement |
| | 0730 | Breakfast |
| | 0900 | Launch Deadline |
| | 0930 | Competitor Meeting |
| | 1100 | First Warning, subsequent races to follow |
| Sat, Mar 2 | 0730 | Breakfast |
| | 1000 | First Warning Signal |
| | ASAP | Subsequent races |
| Sun, Mar 3 | 0730 | Breakfast |
| | 1000 | First Warning Signal |
| | ASAP | Subsequent races |
| | 1500 | No Warning after this time |
| | 1830 | Social activities to follow |

Three races are scheduled per day. One extra race per day may be sailed provided that the regatta does not become more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to the provisions of the Sailing Instructions. If the regatta is behind schedule, extra races to a maximum of four races may be sailed in a single day.

5 REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

- 5.1 The registration desk will be in the Regatta Office, located on the ground floor, southwest side of the clubhouse.
- 5.2 Each boat shall present either electronically prior to check-in or in person upon arrival at the event:
 - 5.2.1 Valid J/24 Measurement Certificate as issued by the IJCA, including the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment.
 - 5.2.2 Proof of current marine liability insurance with a minimum value of \$300,000 per occurrence.
 - 5.2.3 Proof of IJCA membership in the country they represent for the owner and helmsperson.
- 5.3 All competitors will be weighed during registration, except that crew substitutions may be weighed 0800 0830 on the first day that they will compete. Competitors must have a passport or other photo identification at weigh-in.
- 5.4 NOTE: All participants in the Regatta, including those who registered and made the required payments by online, are required to report to the Regatta Registration Desk during the hours it is open to confirm and complete their registration for the regatta.
- 5.5 All boats may be weighed during registration for compliance with IJCA rule 3.7.1 and all sails may be measured during registration for compliance with IJCA rule 3.6.
- 5.6 All boats will be subject to random inspection at any time during the regatta.

6 ADVERTISING:

- 6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority or the Race Committee.
- 6.2 At the discretion of the Organizing Authority or the Race Committee, boats may be required to have additional identification on their hulls which shall be provided by the OA or RC.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and may be available on the web site prior to the regatta.

8 VENUE

Sailing will be on Hillsborough Bay, south of Davis Island Yacht Club.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 The courses will be windward/leeward courses.
- 9.2 Offset mark at the weather mark and leeward gate will be used.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 Nine races are scheduled.
- 10.2 A minimum of three completed races are required to constitute a championship.
- 10.3 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.

11 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 11.1 Boats shall be afloat by 0900 on Friday and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.
- 11.2 Launching and rafting facilities will be provided on a first come first served basis.

12 OTHER PROHIBITED ACTIONS

- 12.1 Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the regatta.
- 12.2 Underwater breathing apparatus, plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used during the regatta. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.
- 12.3 Wet or dry sanding of hulls and appendages is always prohibited on DIYC grounds.
- 12.4 No electric devices designed to dehumidify the boat are permitted.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 13.1 It is the intent of the organizing authority and race committee to use marine VHF radios to communicate with the fleet when outside the DIYC harbor.
- 13.2 The Race Committee may also announce the numbers of the boats that have broken starting rules via VHF.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top 20% of the boats entered.
- 14.2 An award will be presented to the boat that finishes mid-fleet, rounded down if necessary.

15 MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the IJCA, the US J/24 Class Association, Fleet 86, DIYC 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.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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. Skippers and crew will be required to sign a waiver of liability during registration.

17 INFORMATION

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