

	
<p>September 13-16<sup>th</sup> 2012</p>	<p>Hosted by Erie Yacht Club Sanctioned by the J/35 Class Association</p>

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The J/35 North American Championship (NAC) will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS).
- 1.2 The rules of the J/35 National Class Association will apply.
- 1.3 Certain rules may be changed and these changes will appear in the Sailing Instructions

**2. ADVERTISING** – Shall be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code, and the relevant class rules.

## 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Open to all J/35 Class boats meeting Class Rules for sanctioned events.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter no later than 1900 hrs. Friday, September 7, 2012. Entry may be made online at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).

**4. FEES** – The entry fee is \$500 per boat. The entry fee includes all social activities for skippers and crew. Admission to the social events for additional guests may be purchased online or at registration for \$60. Dockage during the NAC will be at Erie Yacht Club at no charge to registered boats.

## 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration and measurement will be conducted 0900-1800 hrs. Thursday, September 13, 2012.
- 5.2 Races will be held Friday through Sunday, September 14 -16, 2012 with the warning signal for the first race scheduled for 1055 hrs. each day.
- 5.3 Eleven races are scheduled. Four races are scheduled on Friday, four races on Saturday and three races on Sunday. Races not completed on the day scheduled will be rescheduled for the following day. Races not completed on Sunday, September 16, 2012 will not be sailed. No more than four races may be sailed per day.
- 5.4 No start signal will be made after 1430 hrs. Sunday, September 16, 2012.

## **6. MEASUREMENTS**

**6.1** All boats shall be in compliance with J/35 Class Rules.

**6.2** It is the intention of the regatta administration to verify measurements according to Appendix A: Measurement Checklist. Additional Measurements may be verified.

**6.3.1** A crew list, including any scheduled substitutions, must be submitted at registration. Any changes to this list during the regatta will require prior written approval.

**6.3.2** Skippers and crews will be weighed at registration to ensure compliance with class rule 5.5.1.

**6.3.3** Substitute crew shall be weighed from 0800 to 0820 of each racing day.

**7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - Sailing Instructions will be available at registration. They will be posted on line at [www.j35.org](http://www.j35.org) when available. The location of the official notice board shall be given at registration. Sailing Instructions and all amendments shall be posted on the official notice board.

**8. VENUE** - The racing area will be the waters off Erie PA, either in Presque Isle Bay or in Lake Erie in the waters Northeast of Presque Isle.

**9. THE COURSES** – Courses will be windward-leeward. Windward offset marks and leeward gates may be used.

**10. ARBITRATION** - For protests involving the rules of RRS Part 2, an arbitration meeting may be held prior to the protest hearing.

## **11. SCORING –**

**11.1** Three completed races are required to constitute a championship.

**11.2** When fewer than seven races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. When seven or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

**12. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS** – Boats shall not be hauled during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

**13. RADIO COMMUNICATION** - The race committee intends to use VHF marine radio frequencies to broadcast courtesy information to competitors, including OCS hails after starts.

**14. PRIZES** – Regatta overall prizes will be awarded for 1st through 3rd. Awards for individual races will be presented at the social events each evening.

**15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY** - Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, host club, sponsors, their associates and appointees 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.

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

Yacht Club guest privileges will be established on registration for skipper, crew and all paid social packages. All areas of Erie Yacht Club will be available for our use. Normal Yacht Club activities will be maintained during the NAC. Erie Yacht Club members will be invited to all social events. Tent camping will be permitted in approved locations within club grounds. Parking for non-members will be restricted to the main parking lot.

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## Appendix A: Measurement Checklist

**Boat Name and Sail Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Floatlines:

Template Check: According to Class Rule 3.3.1, Plan E \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Ballast Compliance: According to Class Rule 3.3.2, Plan E \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

### Main Sail:

Upper Mid Girth, 1655mm (5.43')max, rule 4.7.3 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Midgirth, 2777mm (9.11')max, rule 4.7.3 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Leech Length, 13640mm (44.66')max, rule 4.7.5 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

### #1 Genoa:

LP, 6945mm (22.79')max, rule 4.8.1 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

### AP runner Spinnaker:

Leech, 14135mm (46.38')max, rule 4.9.3 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Girth, 8065mm (26.46')max, rule 4.9.4 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Half width, 4032.5mm (13.23')max, rule 4.9.4 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

### Standing rigging:

Boom Black Line: 4267mm (14')max, rule 3.7.3.3 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Spin Pole: 4470mm (14'8")max, rule 3.7.4.1 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

### Checklist:

Galley: According to Class Rule 5.5.3 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Cooler: According to Class Rule 5.5.3 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Batteries: According to Class Rule 5.5.3 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Anchor: According to Class Rule 5.5.3 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Head: According to Class Rule 5.5.3 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

Q-berth and Settee wood: According to Class Rule 5.5.3 \_\_\_\_\_ (measurer initials)

**Measurement Complete (Signoff by Race Chairman)** \_\_\_\_\_