



## **2016 J/24 East Coast Championship**

Fri. – Sun. October 28 – 30, 2016

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## **2016 J-22 Mid-Atlantic Championship**

Sat. & Sun. October 29 – 30, 2016

Hosted by: Severn Sailing Association & J-24 Fleet 8, Annapolis, MD

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### **1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**

The Organizing Authority shall be the Severn Sailing Association (SSA), in conjunction with the US J/24 Fleet 8 and US J/22 Fleet 19.

#### **2 RULES**

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Racing Rules of Sailing including the US Sailing Prescriptions (RRS), the International J/24 Class Association Class(IJCA) Rules and the International J/22 Class Association (IJ22CA) Class Rules.
- 2.2 RRS 63.7 is replaced with "If there is a conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race (NOR) and a rule in the SI, the rule in the SI shall take precedence."
- 2.3 J-24's only - RRS 64.1 is modified by Attachment A to permit the Protest Committee to use discretionary penalties for breaking certain IJCA Rules.
- 2.4 US Sailing's Prescriptions to RRS 60 and 63.2 will not apply.
- 2.5 The Regatta is designated a Category C event as defined by ISAF Regulation 20 Advertising Code as modified by IJCA Rule 2.6.
- 2.6 Any questions regarding the SIs shall be submitted in writing to the registration desk or protest desk located at Severn Sailing Association (SSA). The questions and any answers will be posted on the regatta notice board no later than 0800 of the day following submission.
- 2.7 J-24's only - Bow numbers may be assigned to each J/24 and may be used as the identification for the boat during the regatta. If used, bow numbers shall be applied in accordance with instructions supplied and the numbers shall remain affixed until after the boat hauls out at the end of the regatta.

#### **3 ELIGIBILITY**

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to all J/24 Class sailing boats in compliance with the J/24 Class Rules.
- 3.2 The Regatta is open to all J/22 Class sailing boats in compliance with the J/22 Class

Rules.

#### **4 REGISTRATION AND FEES**

4.1 J/24 entries may be made online at: [www.J24ECC-J22MidAtlc.com](http://www.J24ECC-J22MidAtlc.com)

4.2 J/24 Registration Fees:

Early Entry Fee for J/24s is \$165 by Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. Regular Entry Fee is \$195 from Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>. A Late fee of \$45 will be added to any entries on or after Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Registration fee includes 5 dinner tickets. Extra tickets may be purchased through online registration.

4.3 J/22 entries will be made online at: [www.J24ECC-J22MidAtlc.com](http://www.J24ECC-J22MidAtlc.com) or

[http://www.severnsailing.org/content.aspx?page\\_id=87&club\\_id=549086&item\\_id=400966](http://www.severnsailing.org/content.aspx?page_id=87&club_id=549086&item_id=400966)

4.4 J/22 Registration Fees: Regular Entry Fee of J/22s is \$95 by Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>. A Late Fee of \$20 will be added to any entries on or after Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Registration fee includes 3 dinner tickets. Extra tickets may be purchased through online registration.

#### **5 PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

5.1

Thursday, October 27

1600-1900

Check-in & weigh-in for J/24 racers

1500-2000

Refreshments

Friday, October 28

0800-0830

Check-in & weigh-in for J/24 racers

0900

Skipper's Meeting for J/24 racers

0945

All J/24s Launched

1100

Warning signal for first race of day – J/24s only

After racing

Refreshments

1900

Exciting social plans underway

Saturday, Oct 29

0800-0845

Check-in for J/22 racers

0900

Skipper's Meeting for all J/22 racers

0945

All J/22s Launched

1100

Warning signal for first race of day

After racing

More exciting social plans underway including cocktails & dinner at the Club

Sunday, Oct 30

1100

Warning Signal for first race of day

After racing

Awards & send off refreshments

5.2 A total of 8 races are scheduled to be sailed for the J/24 Fleet. No race will start after 1400 on Sunday, Oct. 30.

5.3 A total of 6 races are scheduled to be sailed for the J/22 Fleet. No race will start after

1500 on Sunday, Oct. 30.

## **6 MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION**

- 6.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the IJCA Rules.

## **7 SAILING INTRUCTIONS**

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be online by noon Friday, Oct. 28 at [www.J24ECC-J22MidAtlc.com](http://www.J24ECC-J22MidAtlc.com) and available at registration.

## **8 COURSES**

- 8.1 Windward/Leeward courses of 3, 4 or 5 legs or triangle courses will be sailed on the Chesapeake Bay in the vicinity of the mouth of Severn River. See SI's.

## **9 SCORING**

- 9.1 A minimum of one completed race are required to constitute a regatta for both the J/24 J/22 fleets.  
9.2 RRS Appendix A is changed such that a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

## **10 PROTESTS**

- 10.1 Protest forms must be completed within one hour of signal boat docking. 10.2 Protest hearings will be scheduled as soon as possible after the protest time limit. 10.3 Protest arbitrations see attachment B.

## **11 PRIZES**

- 11.1 The winning helmsperson of the regatta in his/her division will be named the 2016 J/24 East Coast Champion & J-22 Mid-Atlantic Champion respectively.  
11.2 Prizes will be awarded to the top five boats in the J/24 fleet and top three boats in the J/22 division overall. The OA may present other prizes as it sees fit.

## **12 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information about the J/24 East Coast Championship please contact:  
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## NOR ATTACHMENT A

### ATTACHMENT – Alternative Penalties for Breaking Some J/24 Class Rules

Alternative scoring penalties shall apply for breaking certain class rules. All of these scoring penalties shall be calculated as follows, modifying RRS 44.3(c):

The race score for a boat that takes a scoring penalty for infringement of one of the following class rules shall be the score she would have received without that penalty, made worse by the penalty number. The penalty number shall be calculated by applying the scoring penalty percentage shown for the particular rule against the number of boats entered and rounding to the nearest tenth of a point (rounding 0.05 upward). However she shall not be scored worse than Did Not Finish. The scores of other boats shall not be changed by application of these penalties.

| CLASS RULE | INFRINGEMENT   | SCORING PENALTY |
|------------|--|-----------------|
| 2.5.6      | A copy of the Measurement Certificate and the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment are not aboard the yacht. (One or both items)           | 5%              |
| 2.6        | Advertising does not conform to the restrictions   | 5%              |
| 3.6.10 (o) | The luff and/or foot of the mainsail set outside the distinguishing bands as defined in Rules 3.5.2(d)   | 10%             |
| 4.1.7      | A bailing bucket of minimum capacity 9 liters fitted with a lanyard is not on board.   | 20%             |
| 4.1.10     | 2 liters or more of motor fuel is not on board when the boat crossed the finish line for the last race of the day                                  | 20%             |
| 4.1.1      | The compass is missing or is inoperable.   | 20%             |
| 4.1.4      | The throwable lifesaving device and attached sea anchor not on deck and ready for use.   | 20%             |
| 4.1.6      | The required first aid kit and manual are not on board   | 20%             |
| 4.3        | Any of anchor(s), outboard motor, battery and fuel container is not secured against movement.  | 20%             |
| 7.1.19     | Elastic (shock) cord is used in the standing or running rigging where not specifically allowed.  | 10%             |
| 8.1.2      | The stowage of required or optional equipment other than unbagged sails on the cabin sole over the keel.   | 10%             |
| 8.1.3      | Use of other than normal sailing gear in normal, designed and proper storage areas to attain sailing weight.                                       | 10%             |
| 8.3        | The removal of the rudder from the water when the Sailing Instructions stipulate that the boat shall remain afloat for the duration of the regatta | 10%             |

If a boat receives one of the above penalties, the protest decision shall include whether the same penalty can or will be applied to subsequent infringements. The protest decision may also specify that the boat cannot be protested again under the same class rule for a time period specified by the jury. The jury will decide to which race(s) the penalty shall apply.

## NOR ATTACHMENT B

### PROTEST ARBITRATION

- 1) RRS Rule 44.1 is modified by adding, "A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing may take a penalty after the race and prior to the start of a protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty of 40% calculated as described in rule 44.3(c) unless the sailing instructions state a different penalty. However, if she caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to retire."
- 2) RRS Rule 63.1 is modified by adding, "The Arbitrator may allow a protest to be withdrawn without the approval of the Protest Committee."
- 3) An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest involving a rule of RRS Part 2 or Rule 31 unless the Arbitrator deems the incident inappropriate for arbitration. One representative of each party, who was on board at the time of the incident, must be present. No witnesses are permitted. After taking testimony from each party, the Arbitrator will reach one of the following conclusions:
  - a) The protest is invalid. The Arbitrator will allow the Protestor to withdraw their protest.
  - b) No boat broke a rule. The Arbitrator will allow the Protestor to withdraw their protest.
  - c) One or more boats represented in the arbitration meeting broke a rule of RRS Part 2 or Rule 31. Each of those boats may take a scoring penalty as described in SI D1. If the Arbitrator believes that all boats (whether present or not) that may have broken a rule have accepted an appropriate penalty, the Arbitrator will allow the protest to be withdrawn.
  - d) A protest hearing is appropriate. Neither the Arbitrator nor the Protest Committee will allow the protest to be withdrawn.
- 4) The Protest Committee will schedule a protest hearing for any protests that are not withdrawn. Any boat that accepted a penalty in accordance with SI D3(c) shall not be penalized further as a result of the protest hearing unless the Protest Committee concludes that the boat caused injury or serious damage, gained a significant advantage in the race or series, or broke a rule other than a rule of RRS Part 2 or Rule 31.