



2009 J/24 Midwinter Championship

January 7-10, 2009

Notice of Race

Revised 12/12/08

J/24 District 10, Fleet 86



Tampa, Florida

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 With permission of the IJCA, the following IJCA class rules are modified:
IJCA rule 5.1 is changed to permit a boat to sail with different crew on different days provided the crew changes are declared at registration. Crew changes not declared at registration require advance written approval of the jury and will only be approved in exceptional circumstances.
- 1.3 Rule 41 will be changed as follows: A boat shall receive no outside assistance, except as provided for in rule 41, after leaving her mooring for the first race of each day until she returns to her mooring. This changes the preamble to Part 4 of the rules.
- 1.4 Rule 42.3 will be changed as follows: The exception described in rule 42.3 (b) is deleted and replaced by the restriction described in IJCA Rule 8.2.2.
- 1.5 All boats may be required to display bow numbers provided by the organizing authority.

2 ADVERTISING

The Regatta is classified Category "C" per rule 79 and Regulation 20, and by ICJA rule 2.6.1.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to J/24 Class boats as defined by the IJCA Rules.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may register by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fees, as shown on the form, or by registering at the event website.
- 3.3 Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: Entries received after 12/7/08 and no later than 1/7/09 with a \$50 late fee.
- 3.4 All boats are required to have a minimum of \$300,000 marine liability insurance (property and injury) covering the person in charge.
- 3.5 If there are co-skippers, one of them shall be designated as the primary skipper for this regatta.

4 FEES

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows: US Sailing Member: \$300, Non US Sailing Member: \$350

The entry fee will include: Competitors package, dinner for five on date TBA, all regatta parties, daily post race keg beer, launching, hauling, and rafting facilities, and trailer parking.

- 4.2 Other fees: Box lunches will be available for purchase for each day, by reservation and payment at registration.
- 4.3 All entry fees are payable to: Davis Island Yacht Club

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Tuesday, Jan. 6
1800 – 2000 Registration (no measurement)
- 5.2 Wednesday, Jan. 7
1000 – 1800 Registration
1000 – 1800 Weigh-in and Measurement
1400 Practice racing with Race Committee
1745 Launch Deadline
1800 Competitors Meeting
1830 – 2030 Rules Seminar: "**Mark-Room and Other Game Changes**"
- 5.3 Thursday, Friday, Saturday (Jan. 8-10)
0900 Harbor start
1000 First warning signal
ASAP Subsequent races
Social activities to follow
- 5.4 Saturday, Jan. 10
1830 Regatta Banquet and Awards
- 5.5 No warning signal will be made after 1600 on Saturday.

6 REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 The registration desk will be located in the Regatta Office to check in and pick up its registration package. The Regatta Office is located on the ground floor, Southwest side of the clubhouse.
- 6.2 At registration, all boats shall present: a valid J/24 measurement certificate including Part C: Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment, proof of current marine liability insurance, and proof of IJCA membership for the owner and helmsperson.
- 6.3 All competitors will be weighed during registration, except that crew substitutions may be weighed between 0800-0815 on the first day that they will compete. Competitors must have a passport or other photo identification at weigh-in. All competitors will also be required to sign a Competitor



Liability Waiver form to be provided in the registration package.

- 6.4 All boats may be weighed during registration for compliance with IJCA rule 3.7.1 and all sails will be measured during registration for compliance with IJCA rule 3.6. Boats that do not have a Measurement Certificate must make arrangements to be measured through the J/24 Class Association.
- 6.5 All boats will be subject to random inspection at any time during the regatta.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and online at the Regatta Website after Dec. 20.

8 VENUE

- 8.1 Directions and related information are available at www.diyyc.org
- 8.2 A chart of the racing area will be provided at registration.
- 8.3 Launching and rafting facilities will be provided on a first come first served basis. All aspects of the launching, rafting, and hauling process will be subject to supervision by DIYC and/or Regatta personnel.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 The courses will be windward/leeward with 4 or 5 legs. The target time for races is approximately 50 to 70 minutes.
- 9.2 Offset marks at the weather mark and gates at the leeward mark may be used.

10 PENALTY SYSTEMS

- 10.1 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3 will apply, and will be modified such that code flag "T" is acceptable and the flag must have a hoist of not less than 150 mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm.
- 10.2 Rule 61.1(a) will be modified such that the protest flag must have a hoist of not less than 150mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm.
- 10.3 The Race Committee may also announce the numbers of the boats that have broken starting rules via VHF.
- 10.4 Rule 64.1 will be changed in the Sailing Instructions to permit penalties other than disqualification for breaking some IJCA rules.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 The scoring system is as follows: The Low Point System defined in RRS Appendix A as modified herein.
- 11.2 Eleven races are scheduled. A minimum of four completed races are required to constitute a championship.
- 11.3 RRS Appendix A is changed so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

12 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 12.1 Boats shall be afloat by 1745 on Wednesday, Jan. 7 and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the protest committee.
- 12.2 Hauling of boats at completion of the regatta shall be done under the direction of DIYC personnel.

13 OTHER PROHIBITED ACTIONS

- 13.1 Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the regatta.
- 13.2 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.
- 13.3 Wet or dry sanding of hulls and appendages is prohibited on DIYC grounds at all times.
- 13.4 No electric devices designed to dehumidify the boat are permitted.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATION

It is the intent of the organizing authority and race committee to use marine VHF radios on channel 68 to communicate with the fleet when outside the DIYC harbor.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top 20% of the boats entered.
- 15.2 An award will be presented to the boat that finishes mid-fleet, rounded down if necessary.
- 15.2 The top-finishing, not previously qualified primary helmsperson who is a current member of any NJCA as recognized by the International J/24 Class and meets all other eligibility requirements will earn a berth to the 2010 J/24 World Championship. This berth is allocated by the International J/24 Class and is available to sailors from any country.

16 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.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race.
- 17.2 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.
- 17.3 Skippers and crew will be required to sign a waiver of liability during registration.

18 INFORMATION

Davis Island Yacht Club

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1315 Severn Ave. Tampa, FL 33606

813.251.1158 | Fax: 813.251.2649 email: diyyc@diyyc.org

Regatta Website www.j24d10.org/midwinters

Lodging and accommodations info

Charter boat info

Sailing Instructions after Dec. 20

Regatta Chair & J/24 Fleet 86

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Entry Form

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J/24 District 10, Fleet 86



Please type or print clearly

Skipper's Name: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

City, St, Zip: _____

Yacht Club: _____

Boat Name: _____

Sail #: _____ USSA #: _____

Entry Fee:

Received by 12/7/08: \$300 _____

Received between 12/8/08 and 1/7/09: \$350 _____

Non-member of US SAILING: \$ 50 _____

(Optional) Sponsor a keg of beer/half keg: \$185/\$95 _____

Total: _____

WAIVER AND RELEASE - In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I hereby agree that the safety of my boat and her crew, including the decision whether or not to wear personal flotation devices, and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race, is my responsibility and not that of any person sponsoring or undertaking such race. I hereby forever and irrevocably waive, release and discharge any and all claims, liability, loss, or damages, including but not limited to claims for property damage, personal injury or death, which I may have or in the future acquire against Davis Island Yacht Club, its officers, members, employees, volunteers or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with my participation in any race or other activity sponsored or undertaken by any of them, even though such liability may arise out of their negligence or carelessness. I understand that serious accidents occasionally occur during sailboat racing, and that participants in sailboat racing occasionally sustain mortal or serious personal injuries and/or property damage as a consequence, and I knowingly assume all of the risks of sailboat racing. I agree that this waiver is binding on my heirs, representatives, successors and assigns.

I acknowledge that participants who elect to leave their boats on Davis Island Yacht Club property do so at their own risk. Neither the Club nor any members thereof make any warranty either express or implied that a boat on Club property will be safe.

I agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other *rules* that govern this event.

Skipper Signature

Date

Please make checks payable to Davis Island Yacht Club and mail or deliver them to: 1315 Severn Ave, Tampa, FL 33606

Entries received, faxed or emailed by the deadline qualify for the lower late fee if payment (and proof of insurance) is received within the shorter of seven days or 1/6/09. Fax 813.251.2649 or email: divc@divc.org. Interclub charges are permitted for this event ONLY for FCYC clubs.

