



International J24 Class 2020 NSW State Championship

NOTICE OF RACE

31 Oct – 01 Nov 2020

ORGANISING AUTHORITY:

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The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club (RPAYC) invites entries for the J24 2020 NSW State Championship, to be sailed on Pittwater off Newport NSW from 31 Oct to 01 Nov 2020

1. RULES

- 1.1. All races will be governed by the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS), and the Sailing Instructions (SI)
- 1.2. J24 Class Rules will apply (except as altered by the Sailing Instructions or this Notice of Race).
- 1.3. AS prescriptions to Rule 46 apply to this regatta.

2. ALTERATION OF CLASS RULES

- 2.1. The rules of the International J24 Class 2017 are changed as follows:
- 2.2. Where a boat deviates from the rules of measurement on hull and rigging, such deviation may be considered legal when a class measurer is satisfied that the item in question is “as supplied by the licensed builder at the time of manufacture”. The measurement certificate shall be endorsed appropriately by the class measurer.
- 2.3. **Competitors shall be required to abide by the COVID-19 Safety Plan in force at RPAYC for the Championship.**
- 2.4. Class rule C.2.1(b) is changed as follows: A boat may sail with different crew on different days provided the crew changes are declared at registration. The number of declared crew shall remain the same throughout the regatta. Crew changes not declared at registration require advance written approval of the Race Committee and will only be approved in exceptional circumstances.
- 2.5. Class rule C.10.2 is changed as follows: A boat may carry one Mainsail, one Genoa, one Jib and two (2) Spinnakers on-board while racing. The use of Spinnakers is subject to Class Rule J.2.

3. ADVERTISING

- 3.1. Competitors may be required to display Regatta sponsor’s name / logo. The Class Association will supply these items and they shall be affixed and / or worn as prescribed in the Sailing Instructions.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The Championship is open to boats of the International J24 Class that comply with class rules and that fulfil the following requirements
- 4.2. Entry is open to all the J24 yachts skippered and entered by a member of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing, and who is a member of Australian Sailing.

- 4.3. All competitors shall be members of AS and an Australian J24 Fleet Association.
- 4.4. The owner of the J24 as shown on the measurement certificate shall be a member of their Fleet Class Association.
- 4.5. The helmspersons nominated on the 'Entry Form' will be deemed to be in charge of the boat and no change of helmsperson shall be made without the written consent of the Race Committee.
- 4.6. Each boat shall hold and lodge with the Organising Authority a current Measurement Certificate and a current Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment for the International J24 Class.
- 4.7. Eligible boats must submit entries online via the website, <https://www.rpayc.com.au/>

5. ENTRY FEES

- 5.1. The Entry fee for the Regatta will be \$250.
- 5.2. Entries close at 2359hrs on Friday 23 Oct 2020
- 5.3. Late Entries may be accepted at the discretion of the OA. Entry Fee is \$300 for entries received after 2359hrs on Friday 23 Oct 2020

6. REGISTRATION & MEASUREMENT

- 6.1. Registration and Crew Weigh In will be conducted at RPAYC on Friday 30 Oct from 0900-1700 and Saturday 31 Oct 2020 from 0830-0930.
- 6.2. Unmeasured new sails shall be presented for measurement to an appointed J24 Class Measurer prior to the Regatta. Measurement of new sails will not be available at the Championships.
- 6.3. Boats may be checked for race weight before entry into water.
- 6.4. A copy of the boat's current measurement certificate, insurance certificate, Category 7 equipment compliance certificate and Inventory of required and optional equipment form shall be lodged at registration.
- 6.5. The Organizing Authority or J24 Association representative may conduct measurement and inventory checks of competing yachts at any time, before, during and after racing.

7. LAUNCHING, HAUL OUT AND MOORINGS

- 7.1. RPAYC Hardstand and Crane facilities will be available at no cost for rigging, launching and retrieval. This is subject to the conditions of use in force at the time.
- 7.2. The Regatta will be a Wet Regatta, and all boats must be in the water before 2000 on Friday 30 Oct 2020 and remain in the water until after the last race.
- 7.3. Organising Authority may approve a written request for a boat to be hauled out provided this is required for essential repairs. No other work shall be done other than that work which could not have been done while afloat

7.4. Mooring overnight in the RPAYC marina at no cost is available from Friday 30 Oct to Monday 02 Nov 2020. Boats shall only use the Marina space allocated to them

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1. Sailing Instructions will be available upon registration at RPAYC and will be available online on the RPAYC website and J24 National website

9. RACING AREA

9.1. The races will be conducted on Pittwater, in the area roughly between Scotland Island, Longnose Point and Clareville

10. COURSES

10.1. Race Format will be boat start, laid course fleet races.

10.2. Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

11. RACE PROGRAM

11.1. Skippers briefing will be held in the RPAYC at 1000 on Saturday 31 Oct 2020.

11.2. No more than four races will be sailed on one day.

11.3. While it is the intention of the Organising Authority to conduct races as shown above, the schedule and number of races may be altered on any given day. Any change of races will be posted by 0930 on the day it will take effect.

11.4. Schedule of Races

Day	Date	Warning Signal
	Friday 30 Oct	1700 – 1830 Practise Starts and race (optional)
Day 1	Saturday 31 Oct 20	1200
Day 2	Sunday 01 Nov 20	1200

11.5. No warning signal will be made after 1600 on Sunday 01 Nov 20.

11.6. There will be no resails after Sunday 01 Nov 20.

12. SCORING

12.1. The Low Point scoring system, Appendix A of the RRS will apply.

12.2. Six (6) races are scheduled of which four (4) completed races are required to constitute the regatta.

12.3. If 4 or fewer races are competed, each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with no exclusion.

12.4. If 5 or more races are competed, each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with one exclusion.

- 12.5. J24 One Design results shall be decided on the finishing order of the boats, subject to scoring penalties or protest, if any, that are applied.
- 12.6. Performance Handicap System (PHS) results will be decided by application of the Time Correction Factor (TCF). The PHS TCF will be allocated by the Race Committee and may be recalculated between races and will not be subject to redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

13. PRIZES

- 13.1. Results and prizes will be announced at the Presentation on Sunday 01 Nov
- 13.2. The J24 NSW State Champion shall be awarded to the winner of the J24 One Design results.
- 13.3. Prizes will be awarded for boats placed first to third overall One Design and first to third on PHS handicap

14. SAFETY

- 14.1. Boats shall comply with the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Safety Category 7. The safety declaration will not remain valid unless the boat, together with its safety equipment, is maintained in accordance with the requirements of this safety category.
- 14.2. Safety declaration shall be lodged by marking the applicable box on the on-line entry.
- 14.3. Each boat shall hold a current audited category 7 equipment compliance certificate. and provide a copy at Registration

15. INSURANCE

- 15.1. All competing yachts shall have public liability insurance with racing endorsement for an amount of not less than Ten Million Dollars (AUD10,000,000).

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1. All those taking part in races conducted by RPAYC do so at their own risk and responsibility. RPAYC, the Australian J24 Class Association and the J24 Southern Sydney Fleet Association are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 16.2. RPAYC, the Australian J24 Class Association and the J24 Southern Sydney Fleet Association are not responsible for any damage or injury, either ashore or at sea to persons or boats, which might result from participating in races conducted by RPAYC.
- 16.3. Competitor attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rules 3 and 4:
- Fundamental Rule 3 – Acceptance of the Rules: “By participating in a race conducted under these Racing Rules, each competitor and boat owner agrees:
- to be governed by the Rules;
 - to accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the Rules, subject to appeal and review procedures provided in them, as the final determination of any matter arising under the Rules; and

- with respect to any such determination, not to resort to any court of law or tribunal”

Fundamental Rule 4 - Decision to Race:

- “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

17 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Organised social events will include:

Date	Event	Location
30 Oct 2020	Casual Welcome Drinks (tbc)	RPAYC
31 Oct 2020	BBQ (tbc)	RPAYC
01 Nov 2020	Presentation Function (To be confirmed)	RPAYC

Additional information will be published periodically at:

Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club website <https://www.rpayc.com.au/>

National J24 Class Association website www.j24.com.au

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Trailer Storage and Car Parking:

Road trailers used to transport boats to and from the regatta may be stored at the Crystal Bay Car Park, Crystal St Newport for the duration of the event.

Visitor car parking is also available at the Crystal Bay Car Park.