



2011 J/24 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA 11 to 19 November 2011

Organizing Authority: The Yacht Club Argentino and Buenos Aires Fleet in conjunction with the Argentina and International J/24 Class Associations

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2012. Appendix P will apply modified as SI 16.11.
- 1.2. The following prescription of the Argentinean National Authority will apply: Prescription N° 5: The trash accumulated on a boat while sailing should not be put in the water. Its overboard disposal may be ground for disqualification or other penalties specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3. The Regatta Regulations of the International J/24 Class (IJCA) will apply.
- 1.4. RRS 41 and RRS 49 will be changed as follows:

RRS 41: While racing, RRS 41 applies without modification. In addition, from the time a boat leaves her mooring for the first race of each day until she returns to her mooring, she shall not receive outside help except as permitted by RRS 41 from any outside source other than boats under the direction of the organizing authority or other competitors.

RRS 49.2 The second sentence is deleted. There will be no hiking between the lifelines.
- 1.5. Bow numbers may be assigned to each boat and if assigned, will be used as the identification for the boat during the regatta, in addition to the Sail numbers. Bow

numbers 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.

- 1.6. Per RRS 80, advertising shall comply with International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Regulation 20, and International J/24 Class Association rule 2.6. Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority as instructed. The advertising shall remain affixed for the duration of the regatta unless otherwise specified.
- 1.7. Any questions regarding these sailing instructions shall be submitted in writing to the Regatta office. The questions and any answers will be posted on the regatta notice board located no later than 0800 of the day following submission.
- 1.8. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the regatta notice board located outside the Regatta Office.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 09:00 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted before 19:00 hours the day before the change is to take effect, except that running extra races, as per SI 5.3 will only be noticed on the water as per SI 5.5.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Signal mast the Corna Badaraco Building.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' the Race Signal AP.
- 4.3. When flag Y is displayed ashore, RRS 40. applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1. Schedule of racing is as follows:

Friday, November 11	0900-1900	Registration and Measurement
Saturday, November 12	0900-1900	Registration, Measurement and Crew Weigh-In
Sunday, November 13	0900-1900	Registration, Measurement and Crew Weigh-In
Monday, November 14	0800-1500	Crew Weigh-In
	1100	Last launch (see SI 25.1)
	1200	Warning Signal for Practice Race
	1800	Opening Ceremony & Reception
Tuesday, November 15	0800-0900	Late Crew Weigh-In
	1100	Warning Signal for the first race of the day.
Wednesday, November 16	1100	Warning Signal for the first race of the day.
Thursday, November 17	1100	Warning Signal for the first race of the day.
Friday, November 18	1100	Warning Signal for the first race of the day.
Saturday, November 19	1100	Warning Signal for the first race of the day.
	1830	Closing Ceremony

5.2. Number of races:

Ten (10) races are scheduled with two (2) races planned per day. No more than one race may be scheduled on the first day of championship racing unless all competitors have had the opportunity to sail in the practice race.

5.3. The race committee may run more than two (2) races on any day. If the regatta is on schedule, one (1) extra race may be sailed, so that the regatta becomes not more than one race ahead of schedule. If the regatta is behind schedule, extra races to a maximum of four (4) races on any day may be sailed.

5.4. Races not completed on the scheduled day are rescheduled as the first races on the following day. Races not completed on the last day of racing will not be sailed.

5.5. When the race committee intends to start another race on any day, they will display Flag “G” with no sound signal from the finishing committee boat while boats are finishing.

5.6. Before the first start procedure of a race or after a long delay, to alert boats that a race will begin soon, the race committee will display an orange flag with a long sound signal accompanied by an announcement on VHF Channel 66 at least four minutes before a Warning signal.

5.7. No warning signal will be made after 15:00 on the 19th of November.

6. CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be a white flag displaying the J-24 logo.

7. RACING AREA

Attachment I show the location of the racing area.

8. CHECK-IN, CHECK-OUT

- 8.1. Before the warning signal of the first race each day, each boat shall sail on starboard tack past the stern of a designated race committee boat displaying flag 'L' prior to the warning signal and hail her bow number until acknowledged by the race committee repeating the boat's number. The penalty for breach of this instruction may be other than disqualification at the discretion of the Jury. This changes RRS 64.1.
- 8.2. A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to compete in a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1. The courses will be windward/leeward, with 5 legs (Course 5) or 4 legs (Course 4) as diagrammed in Attachment II.
- 9.2. An offset mark will be used in conjunction with mark 1. The offset mark will be placed to the left of the weather mark (looking upwind) at approximately a right angle to the weather leg and approximately 7-10 boat lengths (60 - 80 m) to port of Mark 1.
- 9.3. Mark 2 will be a gate consisting of two marks. Boats must pass through the gate and then round mark 2p to port or mark 2s to starboard. In the event that a gate is not in place, boats shall round the existing "leeward" mark to port.
- 9.4. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course designator, the approximate compass bearing and distance for the first leg from the starting line to mark 1.
- 9.5. Course 5 shall not be shorted to less than four (4) legs in length and Course 4 shall not be shorted to less than three (3) legs in length. For purposes of this SI only, the distance between mark 1 and the offset mark is not a leg of the course. This changes RRS 32.

10. MARKS

- 10.1. Mark 1, 1a, 2p and 2s will be blue inflatable buoys.
- 10.2. New marks, when used in accordance with SI 13 will be red.
- 10.3. The starting marks will be race committee boats at each end of the starting line.

In the event that the port-end line race committee boat is not in place, it will be replaced with a yellow buoy.
- 10.4. The finishing marks will be race committee boats at each end of the finishing line.

In the event that the port-end finishing mark described as a race committee boat is not in place, it will be replaced with a yellow buoy.

11. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

No areas are designated as obstructions.

12. THE START

- 12.1. Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

The race committee may use VHF channel 66 to announce the intended time of warning signal and to count down the last few seconds before the Warning Signal, Preparatory Signal and/or Starting Signal. Failure to make or to receive such broadcasts shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

- 12.2. The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the marks described in SI 10.3.

- 12.3. The starting line shall be to leeward of marks 2p and 2s, if these marks are set prior to the start.

- 12.4. A boat that starts more than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 A4 and A5.

- 12.5. The race committee will attempt to broadcast sail numbers or bow numbers on VHF channel 66 of boats if:

- (a) Any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal and she is identified;
- (b) Any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal.

Failure of a boat to hear the recall or warning broadcast, a boat's position in the sequence of broadcast numbers, or failure of the race committee to broadcast any or all numbers shall not be grounds for granting redress (this changes RRS 62.1(a))

- 12.6. When RRS 30.3 (Black Flag Rule) is in effect and a boat breaks RRS 30.3, the race committee intends to redisplay the black flag after the start to notify the fleet that one or more boats will be penalized (this changes RRS 30.3). The race committee also intends to announce the sail and/or bow numbers of the boats that have broken RRS 30.3 via VHF channel 66. Failure of a boat to see or hear her number or of the race committee to post her number or make a broadcast or to time it accurately shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 A change of the next leg of the course will be signaled according to RRS 33.

- 13.2 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

- 13.3 If Mark 1 is changed after the start of a race there will be no offset mark (Mark 1a).

14. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the finishing marks described in SI 10.4.

15. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 15.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 40 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.2 If no boat has finished within 2 hours and 15 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3 Boats still racing (and that do not subsequently retire, get disqualified, or get redress) 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired, see SI 19.3, Scoring) and should proceed to the starting area if another race is scheduled. The race committee boat at the finishing line will lower the blue flag with a long sound signal when the 20-minute period expires. This changes RRS 35.

16. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 16.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3 as modified herein, will apply. RRS 44.2 One-Turn and Two Turns Penalties, is deleted.
- 16.2 RRS 44.3(a) is changed such that code flag "I" is acceptable, and the flag used by a boat taking a scoring penalty shall have a hoist of not less than 150 mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm and shall be flown from a leg of the back stay adjuster above the deck.
- 16.3 The reporting requirements of RRS 44.3(b) may be satisfied by contacting the race committee boat displaying the "Victor" flag anchored near the finishing line. The race committee will post a list of boats that have accepted a scoring penalty on the official notice board.
- 16.4 In addition to the reporting requirements of RRS 44.3 (b), a boat accepting a scoring penalty shall file a "Scoring Penalty Acceptance Form" available at the Regatta Office, within Protest Time.
- 16.5 After-Race Scoring Penalty - A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while racing may take a penalty after racing and prior to the start of a protest hearing involving the incident. Her penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty of 40% calculated as described in RRS 44.3(c). 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. A boat accepting an After-Race Scoring Penalty shall file a "Scoring Penalty Acceptance Form" at the Regatta office within Protest Time.
- 16.6 A boat that complies with some but not all of the requirements of 44.3(a), 44.3(b) and SI 16.4 will receive an After-Race Scoring Penalty without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 16.7 A boat failing to comply with SI 8.1, Check-in, shall receive a 20% scoring penalty in the next race without a hearing, calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c). This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 16.8 Penalties for breaking instructions 1.5, 1.6, 8, 20.4, 21, 24, 25 and 26 may be less than disqualification if the Jury so decides.

- 16.9 RRS 64.1(a) is changed to allow the Jury to assign penalties in accordance with Attachment III: ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES FOR BREAKING SOME IJCA RULES.
- 16.10 Add to RRS 64.1(c): If a boat receives a penalty when not racing under SI 16.8 or 16.9 that penalty shall apply to the race designated by the Jury.
- 16.11 Appendix P is in effect except that P2. is modified such that P2.1 is the only penalty that shall apply. P2.1 is changed to: When a boat is penalized under P1, her penalty shall be a scoring penalty of 20% calculated as described in RRS 44.3(c). The penalized boat does not need to display a yellow flag.

17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 RRS 61.1(a) is changed such that the red flag shall have a hoist of at least 150 mm and a fly of at least 200 mm and shall be flown from a leg of the back stay adjuster above the deck.
- 17.2 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 17.3 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or after Instruction 15.3 has been applied to the race. The same time limit applies to protests or requests for redress by the race committee and Jury about incidents they observe in the racing area.
- 17.4 The race committee will post a list of penalties being assigned by the race committee prior to the end of protest time limit. The deadline for requesting redress based on these scores will be either 30 minutes after posting of the penalty notice, or the protest time limit, whichever is later.
- 17.5 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at Corna Badaraco Building, beginning as soon as practical after a protest has been filed.
- 17.6 Notices of protests by the race committee or the Jury will be posted on the official notice board. Such posting within the protest time limit satisfies the requirement to inform boats as soon as reasonably possible under RRS 61.1(b).
- 17.7 A list of boats that, under instruction 16.11 have acknowledged breaking RRS 42 or have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted on the official notice board.
- 17.8 Breaches of instructions 1.5, 1.6, 20.4, 21, 23.4, 24, 25 and 30 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Jury so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 17.9 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
 - (a) Within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.

- 17.10 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a Jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 17.11 Decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

18. ARBITRATION

- 18.1 An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest involving a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 (changes NOR 11.3), unless the arbitrator deems the incident inappropriate for arbitration. One representative of each party, who was on board at the time of the incident, will meet with the arbitrator. If all the parties to a protest are not represented, the arbitration meeting shall not be held. No additional witnesses will be permitted at the arbitration.
- 18.2 After hearing the testimony, the arbitrator will offer one of the following opinions:
- (a) The Jury would find the protest to be invalid. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (b) The Jury would find that no boat broke a rule. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (c) The Jury would find that one or more boats represented in the arbitration meeting broke a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31. The arbitrator would offer each of those boats the option to accept an After-Race Scoring Penalty, or to retire. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (d) A protest hearing is appropriate.
- 18.3 The Jury will schedule a protest hearing for any protests that are not withdrawn. Any boat that accept an After-Race Scoring Penalty (see SI 16.5) will 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 Part 2 or RRS 31.
- 18.4 If a protest is withdrawn, no protest hearing will be held; and the protest cannot be the subject of a request for redress or appeal.
- 18.5 Following an arbitration meeting, the arbitrator of that meeting may allow the protest to be withdrawn. This changes RRS 63.1.

19. SCORING

- 19.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 19.2 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores less her worst race score.
- 19.3 Boats scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points added by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.2, A5, and A11.

20. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 Substitution of competitors will be allowed only with prior written approval of the Jury.
- 20.2 Unless the Jury specifies otherwise, any substitution permitted will be for 24 hours only.
- 20.3 The number of crew shall not change during the regatta.
- 20.4 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Jury. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Jury at the first reasonable opportunity. Substituted equipment shall comply with IJCA Class Rules.
- 20.5 Requests for substitution shall be submitted in writing at the Jury desk located at Corna Badaraco Building and any reply shall be posted on the regatta notice board.

21. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water a boat can be instructed by the race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

22. OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be identified as follows:

- Race Committee signal boats: Race Committee Flag.
- Race Committee boat: Club burgee.
- Equipment Inspector boat: White flag with a black "M" inside.
- Judges boats: White flag with a black "J" inside.

23. SUPPORT BOATS

- 23.1 Support boats shall register with the Organizing Authority within the times designated for registration in SI 5.1 and clearly display a flag displaying her national letters.
- 23.2 Support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal for the first start until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement or abandonment, unless instructed otherwise by the Race Committee.
- 23.3 Support boats shall carry a VHF radio tuned to the race committee channel 66.
- 23.4 Support boat drivers shall have valid third-party liability insurance and provide proof of coverage at registration.

24. TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash shall be kept aboard and deposited in a trash receptacle on shore.

25. HAUL-OUT AND MOORING RESTRICTIONS

- 25.1 Boats shall be afloat by Monday, November 14 at 1100.
- 25.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Jury.

25.3 Boats shall be moored in assigned locations for the duration of the regatta.

26. DIVING EQUIPMENT, PLASTIC POOLS AND CAREENING RESTRICTIONS

- 26.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the time and date specified in SI 25.1 and the end of the regatta.
- 26.2 Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited, unless permitted in writing by the jury.
- 26.3 The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

27. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio or other data transmissions while racing nor receive radio or data communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

28. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to skippers and crews finishing in the top 15% of boats entered.

The Jaeger J/24 World Championship Women's Trophy: for the best classified all female crew.

The Turner Trophy: for the best classified crew all under 25-years the day of commencement of the first race (Nov 15).

29. 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.

30. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party marine liability insurance during the regatta.

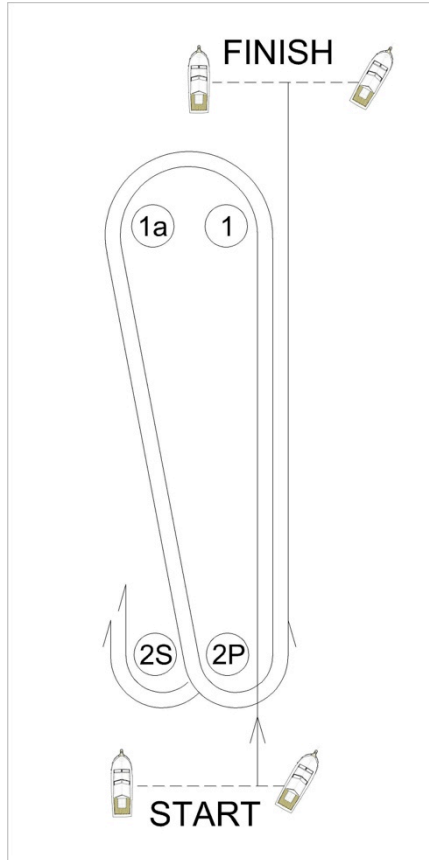
ATTACHMENT I - RACING AREA LOCATION



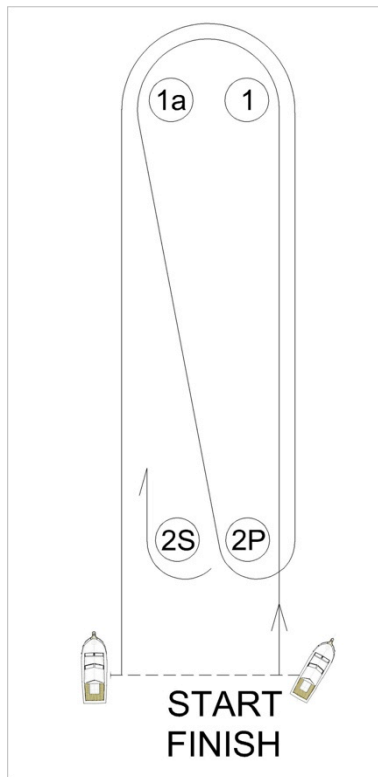
ATTACHMENT II – COURSE DIAGRAMS

COURSE A: Pennant 5

Order: Start – 1 – 1a – 2S or 2P – 1 – 1a – 2S or 2P – Finish



COURSE B : Pennant 4
Order: Start – 1 – 1a – 2S or 2P – 1 – 1a – Finish



ATTACHMENT III - Alternative Penalties for Breaking Some Class Rules

Alternative scoring penalties shall apply for breaking certain class rules. All of these scoring penalties shall be calculated as described in RRS 44.3(c) and shall be applied to all races for which the boat was in non-compliance.

CLASS RULE	INFRINGEMENT	SCORING PENALTY
2.5.6	A copy of the Measurement Certificate and the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment (Rule 3.7.3) are to be kept aboard the yacht one or both items are not on board.	20%
2.6.1	Advertising does not conform to the restrictions	20%
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) and 3.5.5(c).	20%
3.8.5	A bailing bucket of minimum capacity 9 liters fitted with a lanyard is not on board.	40%
3.8.9	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%
4.1.3	The compass is installed but inoperable.	20%
4.1.8	The throwable lifesaving device and attached sea anchor not on deck and ready for use.	40%
4.1.10	The required first aid kit and manual are not on board	20%
4.3	Any of anchor(s), outboard motor, battery and fuel container are not secured against movement.	20%
7.1.19	Elastic (shock) cord is used in the standing or running rigging.	20%
8.1.2	The stowage of required or optional equipment other than unbagged sails on the cabin sole over the keel.	20%
8.1.3	Use of other than normal sailing gear in normal, designed and proper storage areas to attain sailing weight.	20%
8.1.4	The connection to the mast heel of any adjustment device or equipment.	20%
8.4	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	20%

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.

Amended to include Class Rule Changes Effective 7th April 2011