



2023 J/24 World Championship

Kalamaria, Thessaloniki, Greece

September 9-16/2023

The Organising Authority is the

Nautical Club of Thessaloniki under the auspices of the **Hellenic Sailing Federation,**
the Hellenic J/24 Class Association and the International J/24 Class Association

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Notice of Race

Preamble: The notation [DP] in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the International Jury, be less than disqualification. The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for a breach of this rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. Rules

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3. The Regatta Regulations of the International J/24 Class Association (IJCA) shall apply.
- 1.4. Support Vessels- RRS 41 shall apply from the time a boat leaves her mooring for the first race of each day and until she returns to her mooring after her last race of the day.. This changes the preamble to Part 4 rules.
- 1.5. [NP] [DP] Bow numbers will be assigned to each boat and will also be used as identification for the boat during the event. Bow numbers shall be applied in accordance Attachment A and shall remain affixed until after a boat hauls out at the end of the event.
- 1.6. In accordance with RRS G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the class rules.
- 1.7. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

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- 1.8. RRS Appendix T: Arbitration shall apply to this event, except as modified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.9. RRS 61.1(a) will be changed so that the red flag displayed by a protesting boat shall have a hoist of not less than 150mm and a fly of not less than 200mm.
- 1.10. The international Jury may impose penalties less than disqualification (DPI), for violation of the class rules and racing rules other than those of Part 1 and Part 2.
- 1.11. Class rule C.2.1(b) is changed to Class rule J.4.2 regarding crew. A crew nominated or listed for this event shall remain the same throughout the event. Emergency changes may be made only with written permission of the race committee.
- 1.12. Class rule C.10.2 is replaced by class rule J.2 that allows a spare spinnaker with restrictions.

2. Advertising:

- 2.1. [DP] [NP] Competitor advertising shall comply with WS Regulation 20, [Advertising code](#)
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. Communication:

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located http://j24worlds2023.ncth.gr/race_documents. The on-shore unofficial notice board is located on the ground floor of the Nautical Club of Thessaloniki.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on international VHF channels.
- 3.3 The race committee may choose to make VHF radio communications to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be announced in the sailing instructions.
- 3.4 [DP] From the time a boat leaves her mooring for the first race of the day until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.
- 3.5 [DP] A representative of each boat shall have a mobile telephone capable of transmitting and receiving telephone calls and text messages while at the venue. In addition, the OA, race committee, protest committee and technical committee may use email or text messages to communicate with competitors before the event and while boats are in the harbor.

4 Eligibility and Entry:

- 4.1. The World Championship is open to J/24 Class boats as defined by the IJCA class rules, and that qualify as prescribed in the IJCA Regatta Regulations, and whose entries are accepted by the OA.
- 4.2. Championship drivers must be either nationals or residents and members of the National J/24 Class Association of the country that they represent, and they must have qualified as defined by their National J/24 Class Association to represent their country.
- 4.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the required form *and submitting the requested information at the event page*: http://j24worlds2023.ncth.gr/j24_worlds_2023_entry_form and paying the required fee by **1500 hours on Monday September 11, 2023**.

Entry is not complete until all requirements of Eligibility, Fees, Registration and Inspection have been satisfactorily completed.

- 4.4. Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: Entries received after *Friday June 9, 2023* will be accepted with a *150 €* additional late fee, making the total entry fee *950 €* providing the restrictions in NoR 4.5 have not been reached.
- 4.5. The following restrictions on the number of entries shall apply: A total of sixty (60) boats will be allowed to enter. There will be a wait list of up to ten (10) additional boats. The order of acceptance of wait listed boats will be based on the order of online entry.
- 4.6. A Corinthian Division will be offered. To be considered an entry in the Corinthian Division, each member of the crew shall provide their World Sailing Sailor ID as proof of a valid World Sailing Group 1 status through registration by the end of check-in.

5 Fees

- 5.1. The required entry fee is ***800 € which must be paid by Friday June 9, 2023***. Boats **entering** after that date will be required to pay the late fee described in NoR 4.4.
- 5.2. Fee includes inspection, launching, hauling, storage/mooring while at the event, racing, scheduled social functions for all crew, and prizes.
- 5.3. Additional individual social function passes may be purchased at registration for an additional fee.
- 5.4. Fee payment is by ***Bank or Wire Transfer***. Receipt of transaction shall be uploaded at the event website.

 http://j24worlds2023.ncth.gr/j24_worlds_2023_entry_form

- 5.5. Fees are non-refundable.

6. Schedule:

6.1.

Day	Date	Time	Event/Activity
Saturday	2 September	2359	Deadline to electronically submit documents specified in NoR 7.1.
Saturday	9 September	0900 - 1800	Registration/Inspection/Crew Weigh-in
Sunday	10 September	0800 - 1800	Registration/Inspection/Crew Weigh-in
Monday	11 September	0900 – 1700 0900 – 1200 1200 1400 1900 2000	Registration/ Crew Weigh-in Inspection Skippers' Briefing Practice Race All Boats Afloat Opening Ceremonies
Tuesday	12 September	0930 – 1000 1300	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for First Race of the Day
Wednesday	13 September	0930 – 1000 TBA	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for First Race of the Day
Thursday	14 September	0930 – 1000 TBA	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for First Race of the Day
Friday	15 September	0930 – 1000 TBA	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for First Race of the Day
Saturday	16 September	0930 – 1000 TBA 1630 2000	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for First Race of the Day No Warning after this time Closing Ceremonies and Awards

Social Events will be announced on the website.

- 6.2. *These scheduled crew weigh-ins are only for technical committee approved replacements or crews specified per NOR 1.11.
- 6.3. Ten (10) races are scheduled over five consecutive days.
- 6.4. Two races are scheduled per day. One extra race per day may be sailed provided that the event does not become more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to the provisions of the Sailing Instructions. If the event is behind schedule, extra races to a maximum of four races may be sailed in a single day.

7 Registration and Inspection:

- 7.1 Each boat shall submit the following documents via online registration:
- (a) A valid, IJCA issued Measurement Certificate, Including Part C: Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment.
 - (b) Certificate of Insurance of current marine liability insurance coverage, see NoR 21.

(c) Proof of J/24 Class Association membership in the country they represent for the boat owner and the driver.


- 7.2 With written permission of the technical chair, changes to documents or forms required by NoR 7.1 may be accepted at check-in.
- 7.3 Only Equipment Inspection will be done at the event. Measurement for certification must be successfully completed prior to the event. RRS 78.2 shall not apply
- 7.4 Proof of current third-party marine liability insurance with a minimum coverage of **3.000.000 €** per incident or the equivalent (property of injury), proof of which will be required at Registration.
- 7.5 Proof of J/24 Class Association membership in the country they represent for the boat owner and the driver. The IJCA will check membership against its database.
- 7.6 All competitors will be weighed during registration. Competitors must have a passport or other photo identification at weigh-in.
- 7.7 Equipment Inspection will be carried out on all boats-in accordance with the class rules.
- 7.8 Pre-event inspection will be carried out on all boats and equipment as per the schedule in Section 6. Boats will be subject to inspection at any time and for any class rules during the event.

8. Sailing Instructions:

The sailing instructions will be available after **1900 September 4th 2023** at the online event site at http://j24worlds2023.ncth.gr/race_documents

9. Venue

- 9.1. Nautical Club of Thessaloniki is the host Club

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- 9.2. Attachment B shows the location of the event harbor and the racing areas.

10. The Courses:

- 10.1. The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward with 4 or 5 legs.
- 10.2. The target time for each race is approximately 75 – 90 minutes.
- 10.3. An offset mark at the weather mark will be used. Exceptions will be described in the Sailing Instructions

10.4. A gate at the leeward mark will be used. Exceptions will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

11. Penalty System:

11.1. Decisions of the International jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

11.2 RRS Appendix T will apply, as modified in the Sailing Instructions.

11.3 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

11.4 Except if the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes RRS 44.2

11.5 RRS Appendix P applies, as modified in the Sailing Instructions.

12 Scoring:

12.1. Four races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.

12.2. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

12.3. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

13. Support Vessels:

13.1 Support vessels shall register during scheduled registration, declaring to which boat or boats they are attached. They may be required to display an identification flag supplied by the organizing authority and follow instructions of the OA.

13.2 Each support vessel shall be insured with valid third-party marine liability insurance with a minimum coverage of **3.000.000** € per incident or the equivalent (property of injury), proof of which will be required at Registration

14. Berthing:

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places or areas, as directed by the organizing authority.

15. Haul-out Restrictions:

[NP][DP] Boats shall be afloat by **1900 Monday September 11th** and shall not be hauled out during the event except in accordance with the prior written permission and terms of the technical committee. This restriction includes rudders which must be in normal sailing position on the transom.

16. Diving Equipment, Plastic Pools and Other Prohibited Actions:

- 16.1. [DP] Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used between the time the boat is afloat and the end of the event. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes, cloth or other equipment designed for that use.
- 16.2. [DP] Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the event.
- 16.3 [DP] Use of dehumidifiers or electric fans are prohibited at all times while boats are afloat.

17. Prizes:

- 17.1. Prizes will be awarded to at least the top 15% of boats entered.
- 17.2. Prizes will be awarded to the top three placing Corinthian boats.
- 17.3. A prize will be awarded to the top entry in which the helm is over the age of 50.
- 17.4. Perpetual trophies will be awarded to the winning team.
- 17.5. The Dr. Turner Trophy will be awarded to the top youth entry comprised of a crew in which none are over the age of 25 years.
- 17.6. The Jaeger Trophy will be awarded for the top women's entry in which the entire crew is comprised of women.

18. Disclaimer of Liability:

- 18.1. Competitors participate in the event 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 event.
 - 18.1.1. All competitors will be required to sign a Competitor Liability Waiver form to be provided in the registration package.

19. Insurance:

Each participating boat shall be insured as specified in NoR 7.4.

20. Media Rights:

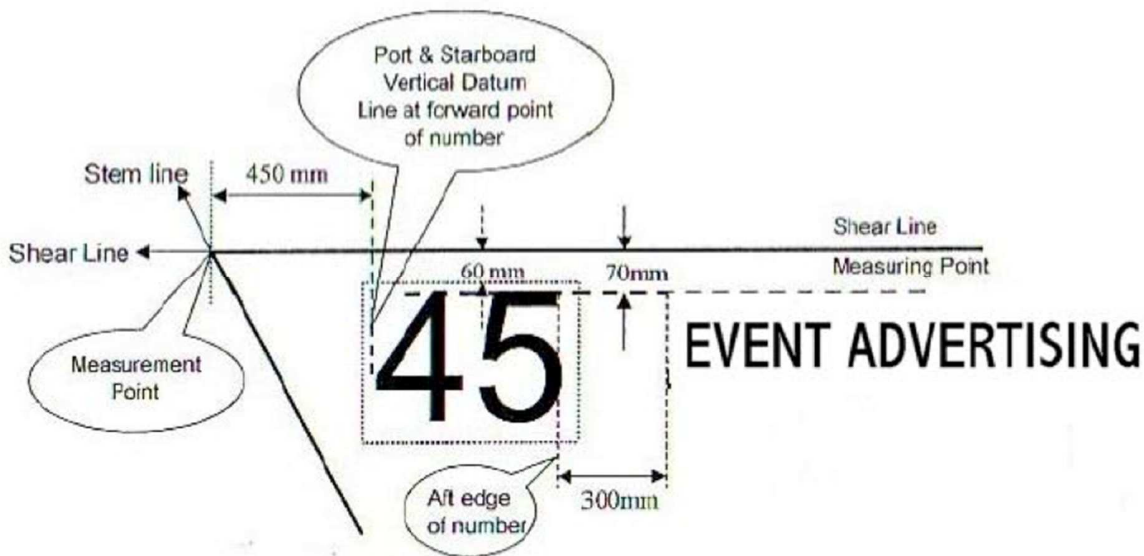
- 20.1. Competitors give absolute right and permission to the IJCA, the J/24 Class Association, the Nautical Club of Thessaloniki and the event sponsors to use, publish, broadcast or otherwise distribute for promotional, advertising or any other purpose, any images and sound recorded during the event of persons and boats free of any charge.

21. Further Information, contact : nautical@j24worlds2023.ncth.gr

Attachment A

Placement instructions for Combined Bow Numbers and Event Sponsor Advertising

- .a. Event Advertising is governed by WORLD SAILING Regulation 20.
- .b. Any Event advertising or Sponsor Logos should be sufficiently separated from bow numbers so that the numbers are easily seen. A distance of 300 mm should be sufficient.
- .c. Bow Numbers and Event Advertising should be placed so that the top of the numbers and Sponsor Logos are 450 mm aft of the Sheer Line and Stem Line measuring point and 70 mm below the sheer line.
- .d. Event Organizing Authorities should create a template for number placement and engage volunteers to place all Bow Number and Event Advertising on the hull of each boat.
- .e. Where that is not possible the OA should provide complete instructions for the placement of the bow numbers. These instructions should include the fact that the hull of the boat must be cleaned completely and dry before the numbers are put on the hull.
- .f. The Measurement Committee should allow a measurement tolerance of 10 mm on the actual placement of the Bow Numbers.



Attachment B

Location of the event harbor and the racing area

