



## The Stonington Harbor Yacht Club

### J24 Sunday Race Series 2015

J24's 12 Sundays: June 14 thru August 30

## NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1 Organizing Authority

1.1 These races are organized by the Stonington Harbor Yacht Club.

#### 2 Schedule of Races

2.1 J-24's will race each Sunday from June 14 through August 30.

2.2 First warning will be at 1230 hours. Multiple races will be conducted but no race will start after 1600 hours.

#### 3 Eligibility

3.1 These races are open to all J24's meeting Class Rules.

#### 4 Entry

4.1 Eligible boats may enter by completing the Race Entry Form available in hard copy at the SHYC Clubhouse or on-line at [www.shyc.us/racing](http://www.shyc.us/racing). Entry forms accompanied by a check for the entry fee payable to SHYC should be sent to SHYC, Attn. Race Committee, PO Box 87, Stonington, CT 06378, or delivered to the Clubhouse. Entries must be received by noon, June 8, 2013. Any competitor under the age of 18 must have signed parental consent accompanying the entry form.

4.2 Entry fee for the full series for J24's is \$150 or \$25 for a single race.

#### 5 Rules

5.1 Races will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016*, as modified by this NOR, and the Sailing Instructions.

5.2 All boats are required to carry VHF radios tuned to Channel 79.

#### 6 Course

6.1 The starting line will be in Fishers Island Sound south of Stonington Harbor and Wamphassuc Point.

#### 7 Sailing Instructions

7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available June 12 in hard copy at the SHYC Clubhouse and online at [www.shyc.us/racing](http://www.shyc.us/racing).

#### 8 Awards

8.1 Series awards will be presented at the SHYC Awards night in October. Competitors must compete on six of the ten racing Sundays to be eligible for series awards.

#### 9 Additional Information

9.1 See the SHYC website [www.shyv.us/racing](http://www.shyv.us/racing) or call the Clubhouse at 860-535-0112.

9.2 All participants must sign or have signed a Liability Waiver available at the Clubhouse or Online. The waiver is valid for the calendar year.



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#### **2 Schedule of Races**

- 2.1 J-24's will race each Sunday from June 14 thru August 30. First Warning for the first race each day will be at 1230 hrs.
- 2.2 The Race Committee will try to conduct four or more races each afternoon but no race will start after 1630 hrs.
- 2.3 Cancellation or delay of races will be announced on VHF channel 79 every 10 minutes from 1130 to 1230 hours on race days. Cancellation information may also be available two hours before race time by calling SHYC at 860 535-0112.

#### **3 Eligibility**

3.1 These races are open to all J-24's meeting Class Rules. These are Open Races

#### **4 Rules**

- 4.1 Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, 2013-2016(RRS) and the prescriptions of USS Sailing and may be modified by these Sailing Instructions (SI's).
- 4.2 RRS Rules 44.1 and 44.2 will be changed to a penalty of one turn.
- 4.3 All boats will carry a VHF radio tuned to Channel 79.
- 4.4 All boats will display sail numbers.
- 4.5 Prior to the warning signal for the first race, all competitors will sail under the Committee Boat's stern and announce their intention to race.
- 4.6 Any boat withdrawing from or abandoning a race or retiring for the day must notify the Committee Boat at the earliest possible time to avoid a post-race search for a lost boat. Any boat not finishing within 15 minutes of the winning boat will be scored DNF.

#### **5 Course**

5.1 Starting line will be between a staff on the Committee Boat port side bearing an orange flag and an orange tetrahedron to port. (Should the current be forcing the Committee Boat to have her stern facing the wind, the orange flag may be placed on her starboard side. The racers will always leave the starting pin to port.) Finish line will be between a staff on the Committee Boat starboard side bearing a blue flag and an orange tetrahedron to starboard. Note that the Start and Finish are on opposite sides of the RC boat. At the Start line, the orange tetrahedron will be left to port; at the

Finish line, to starboard. Windward and leeward marks will be yellow inflated tetrahedrons. Reaching marks, if any, will be large orange inflated tetrahedrons.

5.2 Two Courses will be offered:

Course A          W – L – Finish

Course B          W – R – L – Finish

All marks will be left to Port except the Finish mark which will be left to Starboard.

Courses will be announced by a letter displayed on the course board on the Committee Boat. A number '2' following the course letters indicates twice around.

## **6 The Start**

6.1 First Warning for the first race each race day will be at approximately 1230 hours.

6.2 Races will be started using the three minute Sound-Signal Starting System specified in Appendix of the RRS.

6.3 The Sounds (horns) will be augmented by raising the signal flag "1" at the three minute Warning.

6.4 Individual recalls will be signaled by Flag 'X', one horn blast and hail of the sail number on VHF 79. See RRS 29.1 and, for general recalls, 29.2

## **7 Protests**

7.1 Boats intending to file a protest will inform the RC over VHF channel 79 or by hail after the last boat of the protested race has finished. A written protest will be delivered to the RC within one hour after the Committee Boat docks. Formal protest forms need not be used but the written protest must describe the alleged infraction in detail with reference to appropriate RRS rules. The RC may protest any competitor for an observed breach of the RRS, the NOR or the SI's. The competitor will be notified of the protest as soon as feasible by VHF channel 79 and/or within one hour after the Committee Boat docks.

7.2 In the event of a protest, the RC will schedule a hearing as soon as possible after the protest is received. Involved parties will be asked for oral and/or written testimony and will receive a written decision from the Protest Committee. Penalties, if any, may consist of scoring penalties and/or exclusion from one or more subsequent races.

7.3 Scores for protested races will not be posted until the protest is settled.

## **8 Scoring**

8.1 J-24's will be scored Low Point for each race. Boats entered but not racing in all races will be scored DNS for those races not started and given a score equal to the number of boats racing in each race so scored plus one.

8.2 Segment and Series scores will be determined by taking the best scores for each boat in 80 percent of the races conducted in the Segment or Series.

## **9 Awards**

9.1 J-24 awards for the 10 race series will be made at the annual SHYC Awards Banquet.

9.2 Additional small prizes for J-24's will be awarded to the winners on each race day.

## **10 Responsibility**

10.1 Each boat's master is responsible on behalf of himself and each individual member of his crew for the decision to race or not; to withdraw or not; for the condition of his boat and all of her equipment, including safety gear; for the conduct of his boat and crew before, during, and after the

races. By entering any or all of these races, he acknowledges these responsibilities and that the SHYC, its Race Committee, and individual Committee members simply perform a service by providing a structure wherein he may or may not choose to race his boat. Each person on board must sign or have signed a liability waiver form, available at [www.shyc.us/race](http://www.shyc.us/race) and at the Clubhouse.

10.2 Additional information available at [www.shyc.us/racing/calendar](http://www.shyc.us/racing/calendar), or by calling 860 535-0112.