



2019 J/24 East Coast Championship

Fri. – Sun. October 4 - 6, 2019

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2019 J/70 SSA Fall Series

Sat. & Sun. October 5 - 6, 2019

PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority shall be Severn Sailing Association (SSA), in conjunction with US J/24 Fleet 8 and US J/70 Fleet 1.

2 RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing including the US Sailing Prescriptions, the International J/24 Class Association Class (IJCA) Rules and the International J/70 Class Association (IJ70CA) Class Rules.
- 2.3 Any questions regarding the SIs shall be submitted in writing to the registration desk or protest desk located at Severn Sailing Association (SSA). The questions and any answers will be posted on the regatta notice board no later than 0800 of the day following submission.

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to all J/24 Class sailing boats in compliance with the J/24 Class Rules. Crew weigh-in will **not** be required at registration.
- 3.2 The Regatta is open to all J/70 Class sailing boats in compliance with the J/70 Class Rules.

4 HOUSING

- 4.1 We have secured housing on a first-come, first-serve basis for a number of out-of-town teams. Contact Kelly FitzGerald, brice.fitzgerald@gmail.com for housing requests.

5 BOAT STORAGE BEFORE & AFTER THE REGATTA

- 5.1 We have secured boat & trailer storage for those teams out of the Annapolis who would like to leave their boat in Annapolis prior to or after the regatta. There may be a nominal fee for storage.

6 REGISTRATION AND FEES

- 6.1 J/24 entries may be made online at the regatta website
<http://www.j24eastcoastchampionship.com> or <http://severnsailing.org>
- 6.2 J/24 Registration Fees: Early Entry Fee for J/24s is \$300 by Aug. 31. Regular Entry Fee is \$400 from Sept 1 to Sept. 20th. A Late fee of \$45 will be added to any entries on or after Sept. 21st. Registration fee includes access to the Beer Truck for the Regatta & 5 Saturday dinner tickets. Extra tickets may be purchased through online registration.
- 6.3 J/70 entries can be made online at <http://www.severnsailing.org>
- 6.4 J/70 Registration Fees: Regular Entry Fee of J/70s is \$200 by Sept. 20th. A Late Fee of \$45 will be added to any entries on or after Sept. 21st. Registration fee includes access to the Beer Truck all weekend & 4 Saturday dinner tickets. Extra tickets may be purchased through online registration.
- 6.5 For the J/70 Class, there must be a minimum of 5 paid entries by 1200 on Friday, Sept 27. Entry fees for the J/70s that fail to meet the minimum will be returned.

7 PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7.1

Thursday, October 3

1600-1900

On site registration for J/24 racers

1500-2000

Refreshments

Friday, October 4

0800-0830

Late on site registration for J/24 racers

0900

Skipper's Meeting for J/24 racers

0945

All J/24s Launched

1100

Warning signal for first race of day – J/24s only

After racing

Social

Saturday, Oct 5

0800-0845

On site registration for J/70 racers

0900

Skipper's Meeting for all J/70 racers

1100

Warning signal for first race of day

After racing

Dinner & Social

Sunday, Oct 6

1000

Warning Signal for first race of day

After racing

Awards & send off refreshments

- 7.2 A total of 9 races are scheduled to be sailed for the J/24 Fleet. No race will start after 1500 on Sunday, Oct. 6.

- 7.3 A total of 7 races are scheduled to be sailed for the J/70 Fleet. No race will start after 1530 on Sunday, Oct. 6.
- 7.4 J/24's shall be afloat by 0945 Friday morning; J/70's shall be afloat by 0945 on Sat. morning. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with written permission of the Race Committee.

8 REGISTRATION, MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

- 8.1 For J/24's only, registration will include verification of J Class membership, \$300K minimum boat liability insurance, current measurement certificate, inventory of required & optional equipment list and emergency contacts.
- 8.2 For J/70s, a \$300k minimum boat liability insurance is required.
- 8.3 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the IJCA Rules.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 Sailing Instructions will be online by noon Thursday, Oct. 3 at www.j24eastcoastchampionship.com, and available at registration.

10 COURSES

- 10.1 Windward/Leeward courses of 3, 4 or 5 legs will be sailed on the Chesapeake Bay in the vicinity of the mouth of Severn River.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 A minimum of one completed race will constitute a regatta for both fleets.
- 11.2 RRS Appendix A is changed such that a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

12 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT – J/24'S ONLY

- 12.1 Crew substitutions must be declared at Registration/Check-in by filling out Crew Substitution form and submitting it with Registration materials.
- 12.2 J/24 class rule C.10.2 is amended to include rule J.2 allowing an extra spinnaker to be carried while racing.

13 ADVERTISING

- 13.1 Advertising for the regatta shall follow RRS 80. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

14 PRIZES

- 13.1 The winning helmsperson of the regatta in his/her division will be named the 2019 J/24 East Coast Champion & J/70 Fall Series Champion, respectively. Additionally, the top J/24 District 6 helmsperson will be named the 2019 District 6 Champion.
- 13.2 Prizes will be awarded to the top five boats in the J/24 fleet and top three boats in the J/70 division overall. The OA may present other prizes as it sees fit.

13.3 J/24 2020 Worlds berths awards - The 2019 East Coast Champion helmsperson & the top District 6 helmsperson (who have not previously qualified) will be awarded 2020 Worlds berths.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information about the J/24 East Coast Championship, please visit www.j24eastcoastchampionship.com or contact:

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