



R-A-N SAILING ASSOCIATION

# 2021 NSW J24 Championships 6 and 7 November 2021

## NOTICE OF RACE

RANSA in conjunction with NSW J24 Association

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*The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a). '[DP]' denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee.*

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), and the Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) applicable to Category 7 races.
- 1.2 The rules of the International J24 Class 2021 (Class Rules) are changed as follows:
  - (a) 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.
  - (b) 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.
- 1.3 All competitors shall comply with the RANSA COVIDSafe Plan. This may include limits on crew numbers which will be communicated via Notice to Competitors. Non-compliance with the requirements of the plan may be subject to a protest from the Race Committee. The penalty for non-compliance will be disqualification from the race, and potentially all races in the regatta. **It is the intention to hold the regatta if a minimum of four crew is permitted by the NSW COVID restrictions.**

### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions will be available online on the RANSA website <https://www.ransa.com.au/racing/sailing-instructions/> after 1700hrs on Monday 1 November 2021 and may be on the National J24 website prior to the event.

### 3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The Race Office is the RANSA Office located in the RANSA Boatshed.
- 3.2 The online official notice board is located at <https://www.ransa.com.au/racing/sailing-instructions/>
- 3.3 The Race Committee may broadcast the course to be sailed, names or sail numbers of OCS boats, and other information of interest to competitors on VHF Channel 73. Any failure of, or defect in, such a broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 60.2(b). It is strongly encouraged that each boat have a VHF radio on board capable of receiving these communications.

### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the International J24 Class that comply with the Class Rules.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter the event by completing the entry form, attaching required documents and paying the entry fee online using the website: <https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/4/profile?tab=entry> by Thursday 28 October 2021. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority, subject to a late entry fee.
- 4.3 The following documents shall be submitted online with the boat's entry:
  - (a) a valid J24 Measurement Certificate including Part C: Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment;
  - (b) a current completed Category 7 Equipment Audit Form,
  - (c) a certificate of insurance demonstrating the required insurance.

### 5 ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 Normal entry fee: \$200.00
- 5.2 Late Entry: \$50.00 including for documentation that has to be presented at Registration on Friday/Saturday.
- 5.3 Should the regatta be cancelled due to COVID restrictions, all entry fees received will be refunded.

### 6 CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 All competitors shall be members of an Australian J24 National or State Association.
- 6.2 Class Rule C.2.1(b) is changed as follows in accordance with Class Rule J4:
  - (a) 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.
  - (b) A crew nominated or listed for this event may be different for different days only if scheduled in advance at registration. Emergency changes may be made only with written permission of the race committee.

### 7 REGISTRATION AND WEIGH IN

- 7.1 Registration and crew weigh in will be conducted in the Race Office on Friday 5 November 2021 between 1600hrs to 1900hrs and Saturday 6 November 2021 between 0800hrs and 0830hrs.
- 7.2 Crew weigh in will be from 1600hrs to 1900hrs on Friday 5 November and from 0800hrs to 0830hrs on Saturday 6 November at RANSA. All crew must be weighed prior to 0830hrs Saturday 6 November 2021.
- 7.3 Boats shall submit a complete crew list, including any intended changes between the first and second day of the event to the RANSA COVID Crew list website no later than their crew present for weigh in.

7.4 Crew who are not members of the NSW J24 Class Association shall present evidence of J24 Class Association membership at registration.

## 8 ADVERTISING

8.1 Boats may be required to display Regatta sponsor's name / logo. The J24 Class Association may supply these items and they shall be affixed and / or worn as prescribed in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

9.1 Six races are scheduled over two days.

9.2 In addition to One Design results Performance Handicap System (PHS) results will be decided by application of the Time Correction Factor (TCF). The PHS TCF allocated by the Race Committee, will be re-calculated between races and will not be subject to redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

9.3 TCF will be advised on list of entries available from the website <https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/4/profile?tab=entry>

9.4 The schedule is as follows.

Day	Date	Time	Event
Thursday	28 Oct 21		Closing date for entries
Friday	5 Nov 21	1600 – 1900	Registration, Measurement, Weigh In
Saturday	6 Nov 21	0800 – 0830 0830 – 0900 1025	Registration, Weigh In Competitor Briefing including Mandatory Safety Briefing First warning signal
Sunday	7 Nov 21	1025	First warning signal
		16:00	Prize Giving

9.5 No warning signal will be made after 1430hrs on Sunday 7 Nov 2021.

## 10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS AND MEASUREMENT

10.1 The technical committee may conduct measurement and inventory checks of competing yachts at any time before, during and after racing. Competitors and Support Persons shall comply with reasonable directions of Race Officials or the Organising Authority.

10.2 Other measurement may be arranged at the discretion of the Class Association by contacting the Class Measurer John Crawford (0408 454 663) directly prior to the event.

## 11 10. RACING AREA

11.1 Races will be conducted on Sydney Harbour between Clark and Shark Islands

## 12 11. COURSES

12.1 Courses will be windward-leeward course.

## 13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 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. This changes RRS 44.1.

13.2 In addition to penalties at the time of the incident in accordance with RRS 44.1 and 44.2, boats may also take a 30% Post Race Penalty in accordance with RRS Appendix T by notifying the race office.

## 14 13. SCORING

14.1 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

14.2 When fewer than 4 races are competed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with no exclusions.

14.3 When 5 or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14.4 Performance Handicap System (PHS) results will be decided by application of the Time Correction Factor (TCF) to the elapsed times. 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).

## 15 BERTHING AND CRANAGE

15.1 Limited mooring for boats not normally moored in Port Jackson, overnight in the RANSA marina at no cost is available for the nights of 5 and 6 November by prior arrangement with RANSA.

15.2 Cranage at RANSA may be provided by prior arrangement with RANSA. The Cruising Yacht Club of Australia (CYCA) also has carnage facilities, which may be arranged with CYCA. Booking times for crane use are essential.

## 16 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

15.3 Boats shall be afloat by 2100 hrs on Friday 5 November.

15.4 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and in accordance with the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## 16 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

16.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used between the time the boat is to be afloat and the end of the regatta.

## 17 PRIZES

17.1 Results and prizes will be announced after the final race on Sunday 7 November at RANSA

17.2 Prizes will be awarded for boats placed first to third overall and first to third on PHS handicap.

## 18 15. SAFETY

18.1 All persons in charge of boats shall attend the Competitors Briefing including the Mandatory Safety Briefing.

## 19 RISK WARNING

19.1 Participants are warned that, regardless of the precautions, which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death.

19.2 As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:

(a) The extremes of weather and sea conditions.

(b) The potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels.

(c) The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning or exposure injury.

(d) The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel.

(e) The absence of immediate medical care and the possibility that significant delays may occur before medical care is available.

(f) Exposure to the elements for extended periods.

19.3 RANSA also warns participants that regardless of its best intentions, it may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress. Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event.

19.4 RANSA further warns that:

(a) Walking surfaces on marinas, walkways, ramps and slips may be wet and slippery;

(b) Floating marinas and associated walkways may be subject to sudden movement, which may cause people to fall, including into the water;

(c) There is a possibility that people may be injured by shoreside equipment at RANSA including movement of dinghies, slipways, winches, tools and cranes.

19.5 Participants are also advised that although RANSA is covered by third party liability insurance, this cover does not extend to participants. Any participant who considers they have a need for insurance must make their own private arrangements with an insurer.

19.6 Owners and persons in charge of boats shall ensure that all participants on their boats are aware of this risk warning.

## 20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

20.1 All those taking part in races conducted by RANSA do so at their own risk and responsibility. RANSA, J24 Class Association, their staff, officers and volunteers accept no responsibility whatsoever for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

20.2 RANSA, J24 Class Association, their staff, officers and volunteers accept no responsibility whatsoever for any damage, injury or death, either ashore or at sea to persons or boats, which might result from participating in races conducted by RANSA

## 21 INSURANCE

21.1 All boats shall be covered by current third party property liability and third party personal liability insurance with racing endorsement for not less than \$10,000,000 for each separate incident.

## 22 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Organised social events are will be advised to competitors by NSW J24 Class Association directly or on their website.

Key contact details are as follows:

Name	Role	Phone	Email
RANSA	Organising Authority	02 9363 9939	<a href="mailto:sailing@ransa.com.au">sailing@ransa.com.au</a>
Roger Wragby	RANSA Sailing administrator	//	
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