



BERMUDA J/24 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



NOVEMBER 21st, 2009 (reserve day November 28th, 2009)

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY - THE ROYAL HAMILTON AMATEUR DINGHY CLUB

AMENDMENT # 1

The Bermuda J/24 Class Association (BJCA), and The Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club (R.H.A.D.C.), their Officers, Members and Employees bear no responsibility for accidents, damage or injuries to boats or their crew however so caused during or related to this regatta. Attention is drawn to ISAF RRS 4 (Decision to Race).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by "rules" as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS).
- 1.2 With permission of the IJCA, the following IJCA class rules are modified:
 - (a) IJCA rule 5.1 is changed to permit a boat to sail with different crew on different days provided the crew changes are declared at registration. Crew changes not declared at registration require advance written approval of the Race Committee and will only be approved in exceptional circumstances.
- 1.3 Rule 41 will be changed as follows: A boat shall receive no outside assistance, except as provided for in rule 41, after leaving her mooring for the first race of each day until she returns to her mooring. This changes the preamble to Part 4 of the rules.
- 1.4 Rule 42.3 will be changed as follows: The exception described in rule 42.3 (b) is deleted and replaced by the restriction described in IJCA Rule 8.2.2.
- 1.5 All boats may be required to display bow numbers provided by the organizing authority.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The Regatta is classified Category "C" per rule 79 and Regulation 20, and by ICJA rule 2.6.1.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display event Advertising on the forward part of the hull provided by the organizing authority in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3 (d)(i). This would change IJCA rule 2.6.1 (b).

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to J/24 Class boats as defined by the IJCA Rules.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may register by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fees, to BJCA Class Executive by Friday November 20th, 2009 at R.H.A.D.C. between 1700 hours and 1900 hours.
- 3.3 All boats are required to have a minimum of BDA\$500,000 marine liability insurance (property and injury) covering the person in charge.

- 3.4 If there are co-skippers, one of them shall be designated as the primary skipper for this regatta.

4. FEES

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows: \$50 per J/24
- 4.2 All entry fees are payable to: Bermuda J/24 Class Association (BJCA)

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration and weigh-in: Friday November 20th, 2009 at R.H.A.D.C. between 1700 hours and 1900 hours
- 5.2 Measurement and inspection: not applicable
- 5.3 Dates of racing:
 - Saturday November 21st, 2009 – 1100 hours
Warning signal first race. 3 races scheduled
 - Saturday November 28th, 2009 – 1100 hours
Reserve day.
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1600 hours.

6. REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 The registration desk will be located at RBYC to check in and pick up the registration package.
- 6.2 At registration, all boats shall present: a valid J/24 measurement certificate Part C: Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment; proof of current marine liability insurance coverage; and proof of IJCA membership for the owners, helmsperson and crew.
- 6.3 All competitors will be weighed during registration. Competitors must have photo identification at weigh-in. Crew substitutions may be weighed during the designated Substitute Crew Weigh-In period on the first day that they will compete. All competitors will also be required to sign a Competitor Liability Waiver form to be provided in the registration package.
- 6.4 All boats will be subject to random inspection at any time during the regatta.
- 6.5 No first time Measuring of Boats or Sails will be available at the regatta.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7. The sailing instructions will be available at Registration.

8. VENUE

- 8.1 The racing area will be the waters of The Great Sound,



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Granaway Deep or Hamilton Harbour. A racing area other than The Great Sound will be advised via VHF.

when outside Hamilton harbour. VHF channel 72 shall be used.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1 The courses will be windward/leeward with 4 or 5 legs. The target time for races is approximately 45 to 60 minutes.
- 9.2 Offset marks at the weather mark and gates at the leeward mark may be used.

10. PENALTY SYSTEMS

- 10.1 The Two Turns Penalty (RRS 44.2) shall apply.
- 10.2 Rule 61.1(a) will be modified such that the protest flag must have a hoist of not less than 150mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm.
- 10.3 The Race Committee may also announce the numbers of the boats that have broken starting rules via VHF
- 10.4 Arbitration will be used prior to the protest hearing for protests involving the rules Part 2.
- 10.5 Rule 64.1 will be changed in the Sailing Instructions to permit penalties other than disqualification for breaking some IJCA rules.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 The scoring system is as follows: The Low Point System defined in RRS Appendix A as modified herein.
- 11.2 3 races are scheduled. A minimum of two completed races are required to constitute a championship.
- 11.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 12.1 Boats shall be afloat by Friday November 20th, 2009 1700 hours, and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the jury.

13. OTHER PROHIBITED ACTIONS

- 13.1 Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the regatta.
- 13.2 Underwater breathing apparatus, plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used during the regatta. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 14.1 It is the intent of the organizing authority and race committee to use marine VHF radios to communicate with the fleet

15. PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to at least the top 3 boats entered.
- 15.2 This regatta shall be used as a Worlds Qualifier as per the Bermuda J/24 Class Rules. This regatta shall be used to accumulate points for the "Hat Trick" Series.

16. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 16.1 Competitors give absolute right and permission to the IJCA, the Bermuda J/24 Class Association, the Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club, 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.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race.
- 17.2 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.
- 17.3 Skippers and crew will be required to sign a waiver of liability during registration.