

2018 Spring and Summer Series
May 24, 2018 to August 30, 2018
J24 Fleet 50
Newport, RI

NOTICE OF RACE

The J24 Fleet 50 2018 Season Series will be held in Narragansett Bay off Newport Rhode Island from 10 May to 30 August 2018

The Organizing Authority is J24 Fleet 50.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The J24 Fleet 50 Season Series will be governed by the rules as defined in 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The following is added to RRS 40: “Personal flotation will be required for those aboard when the boat chooses to sail with the 100% Jib. The PFD must be US Coast Guard approved and must be visible to race committee and competitors.”
- 1.3. RRS 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that, except for infringements of Part 2 that occur within three boat lengths of a rounding or finishing mark, only one turn, including one tack and one gybe is required.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising is permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20- ISAF Advertising Code as adopted by the International J24 Class Association.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to boats of the J24 Class whose skipper of record is a member of J24 Fleet 50 and the US J24 Class Association.
- 3.2. Deadline for entry is May 3, 2018. All entries are subject to a \$250 fee. Any entry received after May 10, 2018 will be subject to an additional \$30 fee.
- 3.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the Official Fleet 50 2018 Registration Form and sending it, together with the required information and fee, to:

Tim Corbett

timtcorbett@gmail.com

- 3.4. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$100,000 per event or the equivalent. A current copy of the insurance certificate shall be kept on board at all times, and a copy should be sent in with your Registration. Registrations will not be considered complete without the insurance certificate.
- 3.5. Boats which have not fulfilled these registration requirements will not be recorded

as finished nor will they be scored in any races in which they participate prior to the completion of registration.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. The regatta will be segmented into a Spring, Summer, and Fall Series

Spring Series	May 24 th – July 12 th
Summer Series	July 19 th – August 30 th

- 4.2. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1805.
- 4.3. One night, July 5th, will be a designated “Alternative” night of sailing. The “Alternative” night will be organized by Fleet Members, subject to approval of the Race Committee. The results from this night will NOT count towards the Spring, Summer or Overall Series Standings. The alternative nights of sailing may include a long distance race, a crew swap night, or other types of races. Special Sis may be developed for these alternative nights of sailing.
- 4.4. There may be an end of season event in the Fall which will not count for the Overall Series Standings. A separate Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions will be provided for this event.

5. MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. Each boat shall possess a valid J24 Class measurement certificate.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. This NOR and subsequent Sailing Instructions (SIs) pertain to races conducted on Thursday nights as part of Fleet 50’s normal sailing format. The SIs will be available on the Fleet 50 web site (<http://www.J24Fleet50.org>) on or before May 3, 2018.
- 6.2. Races scored as part of the Fleet 50 Series but conducted as part of the Newport Regatta will be governed by the NOR and SIs applicable for the Newport Regatta. The SIs for these Newport Regatta will supersede any contradictory instruction contained herein. This changes RRS 63.7.

7. VENUE

- 7.1. The instructions and course options listed on the 2018-2022 South Bay Race Chart, apply. This chart is available at Sail Newport’s main office. All racing starts, except for the “Alternative” night of racing, shall be south of Newport Bridge.
- 7.2. Races conducted as part of the Newport Regatta may be sailed in a different venue (See NOR 6.2).

8. COURSES

- 8.1. Courses selected from the Chart will be displayed on the Race Committee Boat.
- 8.2. The Race Committee, at their discretion, may substitute an Inflated Racing Marks in lieu of a marks selected from the Chart.
- 8.3. If Code Flag “D” is displayed before or with the Warning Signal, a “special” course

is designated. This course may include Inflated Racing Marks, as well as marks from the Chart. All marks of the course, the side on which they are to be left, and the rounding order will be displayed in the same format as on the South Bay Race Chart from the Committee Boat.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

9.1. See NOR 1.3

10. SCORING

- 10.1. The scoring system is as follows: Refer to “J/24 Fleet 50 – Revised Official Scoring System” and is modeled after the US Sailing Scoring System.
- 10.2. A boat’s score for the series will be the sum of all her races minus those discarded. There will be one (1) throw out for every six (6) races scored. This modifies RRS A2.
- 10.3. Average points for the applicable series will be scored for any boat that misses a race due to attendance at an away regatta. Please email Tim Corbett at timtcorbett@gmail.com, in advance, so that he can advise the Race Committee. Failure to notify via e-mail prior to the warning signal of racing on the day missed will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1.
- 10.4. The final Newport Regatta standings will count as 1 race in the Spring Series. Only Fleet 50 boats will be scored, and your placement will be determined based on your cumulative score for the regatta. Those not racing will be scored DNS. This regatta will also count as our District Championship.
- 10.5. First place finishers will be scored with a “1”

11. ASSISTANCE TO RACE COMMITTEE

11.1. There is no obligation to assist the Race Committee in race management for this season.

12. RADIO COMMUNICATION and DATA TRANSMISSION

- 12.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. In addition, except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive data transmissions while racing.
- 12.2. It is the intent of the Race Committee to utilize **VHF CHANNEL 69** as its primary method of communications during racing. Competitors are invited to listen to all RC communications on the channel in the hopes that a clearer understanding of the Committee’s intentions will result in better racing for all. These broadcasts are available as a courtesy only. Failure to receive or properly interpret these communications shall not be grounds for redress under RRS 62.

13. PRIZES

13.1. Prizes will be given as follows: Fleet 50 will award the Peter Milnes Trophy for the overall Season Champion. Prizes will be awarded for the Spring Season Champion and the Summer Series Champion. The Bill Boatwright Trophy, which is awarded

annually by ILYC, may be awarded to top finishing Fleet 50 J24 non-professional sailor. Sailors in any of the ILYC One Design weekday racing series are eligible for this award.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

14.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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 regatta.

15. INSURANCE

15.1. See NOR 3.5

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1. For further information please contact the Fleet Captain:

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