

# Ida Lewis Yacht Club

2025 ILYC J24 / J80 Thursday Night Series  
May 15, 2025, to September 4, 2025

Newport, RI

## NOTICE OF RACE

The 2025 ILYC J24 / J80 Thursday Night Series will be held in Narragansett Bay in Newport, Rhode Island from 15 May to 5 September 2025.

### **Organizing Authority – Ida Lewis Yacht Club in conjunctions with J24 Fleet 50 and J80 Fleet 9.**

[NP] 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] The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

#### **1. RULES**

- 1.1. The Thursday Night Series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including the US Sailing Prescriptions, the J24 Class Rules, and J80 Class Rules.
- 1.2. U.S. Sailing Appendices T & V will apply.
- 1.3. Additional rules may be identified in the Sailing Instructions.

#### **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 and boats of the J80 Class.
- 3.2. Deadline for entry is May 11, 2025. All entries are subject to a \$350 fee. Entries may be accepted after the deadline with approval of the Fleet Captain. Any entry received after May 11, 2025, will be subject to an additional \$30 fee.
- 3.3. Eligible boats (J24s and J80s) may enter by completing the official Fleet 50 2025 Registration Form and sending it, together with the required information and fee, to:

**Ian Scott  
12 Battery St.  
Newport 02840**

- 3.4. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent. A current copy of the insurance certificate shall be always kept on board, 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. SERIES ORGANIZATION**

The regatta will be organized as a single series for each class. Each class will start separately from the other class.

#### **5. SCHEDULE**

- 5.1. The schedule for the regatta's Spring and Summer Series is shown in the table below.

Overall Series (excluding July 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	May 15th – September 4th
Special Race Night	July 3rd

- 5.2. Racing will start on May 15th and races will be on Thursday evenings.
- 5.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race for the first class of each day is 1805. The warning signal for the second class shall be made with the starting signal of the first class. If a class is subject to a general recall, their start will be after the start of the next class.
- 5.4. The starting order may be changed based on conditions at the sole discretion of the race committee.

#### **6. MEASUREMENT**

- 6.1. Each J24 boat shall possess a valid J24 Class measurement certificate.
- 6.2. J80 boats are not required to possess measurement certificates.

#### **7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 7.1. Sailing Instructions (SIs) SIs will be available at the Fleet 50 web site (<http://www.J24Fleet50.org>) on or before May 11, 2025.

#### **8. VENUE**

- 8.1. The racing venue will use instructions and course options listed on the latest version of the South Bay Race Chart; starts Southeast of Rose Island apply. The Chart is available at Sail Newport's main office.

## **9. COURSES**

- 9.1. Courses will use be selected from the Chart (NOR 8.1) or use marks selected from the Chart.
- 9.2. The Race Committee, at their discretion, may substitute an Inflated Racing Mark (e.g., an orange or yellow inflated mark) in lieu of a mark selected from the Chart.
- 9.3. Courses will be displayed on a Race Committee boat. Courses will be identified using the designations from the Chart or listing the marks of the course, the side on which they are to be left, and their rounding order.

## **10. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 10.1. See NOR 1.2

## **11. SCORING**

- 11.1. The scoring system is the Low Point System as described in 90.3 and Appendix A in the RRS.
- 11.2. A minimum of five (5) completed races is required to constitute the series.
- 11.3. When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. There will be one (1) throw out for every six (6) races scored.
- 11.4. A boat's score for the regatta will be the sum of all her races in the series minus those discarded.
- 11.5. Average points will be scored for any boat that misses a race due to attendance at an away regatta. Advance notice shall be given if a boat intends to miss a race because of an away regatta. Please email Ian Scott at **Ianscott1@cox.net**, 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 61.1.

## **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.
- 12.2. The Race Committee will use **VHF CHANNEL 69** as its primary method of communication 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. Broadcasts are available as a courtesy only. Failure to make any Race Committee announcements shall not be grounds for seeking redress under RRS 61. Failure to receive or properly interpret these communications shall not be grounds for redress under RRS 61.

## **13. PRIZES**

- 13.1. For the J24 division, prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in the regatta. The Peter Milnes Trophy will be awarded to the top finisher, i.e., the Season Champion.
- 13.2. For the J80 class, if there are four or more entries, prizes will be awarded to the top two finishers in the regatta. Otherwise, a prize will be awarded to the top finisher in

the regatta.

13.3. Separate awards may be presented for the July 3rd Special Race Night

13.4. The Bill Boatwright Trophy which is awarded annually by ILYC may be awarded to a J24 or J80 non-professional sailor.

#### **14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

14.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, 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.

14.2. Competitors are required to complete the THURSDAY NIGHT SERIES WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY which will be posted on the ILYC website under the J24 tab.

#### **15. CONSENT**

By participating in these races, competitors automatically grant to the Ida Lewis Yacht Club, J24 Fleet 50 and J80 Fleet 9 (the Organizing Authorities) and any sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

#### **16. INSURANCE**

16.1. See NOR 3.4

#### **17. FURTHER INFORMATION**

The J24 Fleet 50 website will be used for both the J24 and J80 classes.

17.1. For further information please contact Ian Scott at

Ianscott1@cox.net

17.2. Fleet contacts are listed on the Fleet website at:

<http://j24fleet50.org/fleet-contacts/>

17.3. The Race Committee may be contacted at:

[racecommittee@ilyc.org](mailto:racecommittee@ilyc.org)

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