



# J/24 NSW Championships

1 & 2 November 2025



Held in conjunction with the Sydney Harbour Sprint Series on Saturday 1 November

## NOTICE OF RACE

*The Organising Authority (OA) is the Middle Harbour Yacht Club. The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the NoR or Sailing Instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.*

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (Special Regulations) as amended.
- 1.2 All boats shall have a valid Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Category 7 (or higher) Equipment Audit. Any boat failing to comply with equipment requirements may be subject to protest by the race committee.
- 1.3 The rules of the International J24 Class 2023 (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.2.1(b) is changed as follows in accordance with Class Rule J4: 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.
  - (c) Class Rule C.10.2(a) is changed as follows: A boat may carry one Mainsail, one Genoa, one Jib and 2 Spinnakers on-board while racing. The use of Spinnakers is subject to Class Rule J.2.
- 1.4 A Vakaros Atlas 2 Sailing Instrument is mandatory equipment for this event. Each boat shall either provide a working Atlas 2 at registration for configuration with RaceSense, or an Atlas 2 may be provided by the OA as part of the entry fee. Credit Card details will be requested as a bond for those provided with Atlas 2 units.
- 1.5 In the event of conflict between any of the rules or regulations, other than RRS, the sailing instructions will prevail. This changes RRS 63.5(c).
- 1.6 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the [event webpage](#) no later than 31 October 2025.

### 2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 All races governed by this notice of race are subject to the advertising code as set out in World Sailing Regulation 20 (WS Advertising Code) and any restrictions stated in class rules. [DP] [NP]
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the J/24 Class Association or Organising Authority (OA). If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP] [NP]

### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the [event webpage](#).
- 3.2 Competitors may be advised of the intended race area via email or text.
- 3.3 The Race Committee may broadcast the course to be sailed and provide other information of interest to competitors on VHF Channel 72. Any failure of, or defect in, such a broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 60.1. All boats are required to carry a VHF radio on board which is capable of transmitting and receiving.
- 3.4 Boats which retire from a race before finishing are required to notify the race committee on VHF 72 or by phoning 8969 3103. [DP]
- 3.5 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

## 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the International J/24 Class that comply with the Class Rules.
- 4.2 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 AS Category 7 Equipment Audit Form.
  - (c) a certificate of insurance demonstrating the required insurance.
- 4.3 Hulls, foils, spars, sails and equipment must comply with the current J/24 Class Rules. All sails should be signed by an official J24 Class Measurer. If a sail is required to be measured, please contact J24 NSW Measurer John Crawford at least 1 week prior to the regatta via email [jcsfcraw@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jcsfcraw@bigpond.net.au).
- 4.4 All competitors shall be members of an Australian J24 State Association (\$35 Student memberships are available).
- 4.5 All competitors shall comply with RRS 46 and the Australian Sailing Prescription. Any person who is not a financial member of a club affiliated with Australian Sailing shall obtain a valid Sail Pass before racing.
- 4.6 All crew must be weighed prior to the Close of Competitor Weigh-In Time shown in the Event Schedule at NOR 7 unless otherwise approved by the race committee.
- 4.7 Crew shall present evidence of appropriate J24 Class Association membership at registration if requested.
- 4.8 Boats shall submit a complete crew list, including any intended changes for different days of the event, to the registration desk no later than the Close of Competitor Weigh-In Time.
- 4.9 Boats being provided with Vakaros Atlas 2 units shall provide valid credit card details at registration as a surety for the return of the equipment in good order.
- 4.10 Eligible boats may [enter online](#) via SailSys no later than Wednesday 29 October 2025. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the OA and will be subject to a late entry supplement.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 Fees are as follows (including gst):

| J/24 NSW Championships Series Entry Fee | Late Entry Supplement | Credit Card Surety required for supplied Vakaros Atlas 2 |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| \$260                                   | \$100                 | \$1800                                                   |

## 6 SCHEDULE

| Date                      | Time                                                       | Activity                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Friday 24 October 2025    | 1700hrs<br>1700hrs                                         | Deadline for requests for Vakaros Atlas 2 units<br>Deadline for event berthing requests                                                                              |
| Wednesday 29 October 2025 | 1700hrs<br>2359hrs                                         | Sailing Instructions posted<br>Close of Entries                                                                                                                      |
| Friday 31 October 2025    | 1700-1900hrs                                               | Early Registration & Crew Weigh-In (Commodores Room)                                                                                                                 |
| Saturday 1 November 2025  | 0800-1000hrs<br>1000-1030hrs<br>1200hrs<br>1700hrs approx. | Registration & Crew Weigh-In (Commodores Room)<br>Competitors Briefing<br>Up to 4 Races sailed in conjunction with the Sydney Harbour Sprint Series<br>Post Race BBQ |
| Sunday 2 November 2025    | 1100hrs<br>1700hrs approx.                                 | Up to 4 Races (no warning signal after 1500hrs)<br>Prizegiving                                                                                                       |

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available by 29 October 2025 on the on the [event webpage](#).

## 8 VENUE

Attachment A shows the approximate location of the racing area.

## 9 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward as described in the sailing instructions.

**10 SCORING**

10.1 RRS Appendix A5.3 will apply.

10.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.3 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.4 When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. Performance Handicap System (PHS) results will be decided by application of the Time Correction Factor (TCF) to the elapsed times. PHS TCFs for each boat will be allocated by the Race Committee and posted to the [event webpage](#). TCFs may be recalculated between races and will not be subject to redress. This amends RRS 60.1 and 61.1.

**11 VAKAROS EQUIPMENT**

11.1 A Vakaros Atlas 2 Sailing Instrument is mandatory equipment for this event. Boats which do not have their own Atlas 2 unit may be provided one by the OA included as part of the entry fee.

11.2 Requests for provided units must be forwarded by email to [sailing@mhyc.com.au](mailto:sailing@mhyc.com.au) no later than 1700hrs on Friday 24 October 2025.

11.3 Credit Card details will be required in lieu of a deposit or bond for provided Atlas 2 units.

11.4 All competing boats will be required to configure their Atlas 2 units at or before registration on 1 November. This includes ensuring that the latest update to the Atlas 2 software is installed and agreeing to securely carry the unit on the mast while racing.

11.5 Instructions about the use of the on-board Vakaros Atlas 2 unit can be found [here](#) and on the [event webpage](#). However, minimal interaction is required from competitors – the start line and start time will automatically be set by the Race Management Team and all boats will have the same countdown time displayed on their units and should be able to see the distance to the start line from their position prior to the start.

**12 BERTHING & HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS**

12.1 Limited free berthing is available at the MHYC Marina. To request a free berth, the [MHYC Berthing Request \(online form\)](#) must be completed no later than 1700hrs on Friday 24 October 2025.

12.2 Boats shall remain in the water from 0900hrs on Saturday 1 November 2025 until completion of racing. Rudders shall remain affixed to the boat in their normal position during this time. [DP, NP]

12.3 The Race Committee may approve a written request for a boat to be hauled out at any time provided it is satisfied that this is required for essential repairs. When haul out is approved no other work shall be done other than work that could not have been done while afloat. [DP, NP]

**13 MEDIA RIGHTS**

Participants automatically grant to the Organising Authority and the series sponsors of the Event, the right in perpetuity to make use and show from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of them during the period in which they participate, and in all material related to the series without compensation.

**14 CHAMPIONSHIP PRIZES**

14.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows:

First, Second & Third Overall (One Design)

First, Second & Third Performance Handicap (PHS)

14.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Class Association or Organising Authority.

**15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

**16 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$10 Million per incident or the equivalent.

**17 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact the Organising Authority.....

Phone: (02) 9969 1244 Email: [sailing@mhyc.com.au](mailto:sailing@mhyc.com.au)

Web: <https://mhyc.com.au/sailing/regattas-championships/nsw-j24-championships-2025>

Attachment A

