

2014 J/80 World Championship September 25 – October 4, 2014 Eastport Yacht Club Annapolis, MD USA



NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The only US Sailing prescriptions that apply are prescriptions to rules 40, 67, 76.1, and Appendix T sections B and D. Appendix T will be modified by the Sailing Instructions. Full text of these prescriptions are contained in Addendum A of this NOR.
- **1.3** The organizing authority is Eastport Yacht Club.
- RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply as amended by the sailing instructions. RRS 62.1(a) will be changed to allow the jury to penalize boats on-the-water for breaking class rule C.8.3(b) (Bowsprit).

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Competitor advertising will be restricted in accordance with International J/80 Class Rule (J/80CR) C.2.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to boats of the J/80 class as defined by the J/80CR.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by registering on the event registration website yachtscore.com, completing forms, paying the required fees (see NOR 5, Fees, below), and completing on-site registration and boat measurement and inspection.
- Each J/80 National Class Association shall confirm each boat's membership status through the Measurement Website www.j80measurement.com.

4 CLASSIFICATION

This regatta is designated as a "member" event. The classification requirements of J/80CR C.3.3 will apply.





5 FEES

5.1		4-person crew	5-person crew
	through May 31, 2014	750 USD	900 USD
	June 1, 2014 – August 30, 2014	850 USD	1000 USD
	After August 30, 2014	1000 USD	1150 USD

- **5.2** Entries shall be made using the Official Online Entry System.
- Entry fee includes berthing and trailer storage through the event, crane usage at EYC, social events consisting of: Opening Ceremonies with heavy hors d'oeuvres and 2 drink tickets per crew member, free beer each evening, after racing light hors d'oeuvres on Monday and Tuesday, dinner party with 2 drink tickets per crew member on Wednesday, dinner and 2 drink tickets per crew member Friday evening, and a simple BBQ on Saturday.
- **Guest Social Passes**. Social passes for the week can be purchased for \$100 to include all social activities. Individual tickets can also be purchased for Sunday, Wednesday and Friday for \$30 per ticket per event.

6 SPARE

7 SCHEDULE

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	Registration & Crew Weighing:		Boat Measurement & Inspection	
Day and date	From	To	From	To
Thursday, Sep 25 th , 2014	1700	1900	1200	1900
Friday, Sep 26 th , 2014	0900	1900	0900	1900
Saturday, Sep 27 th , 2014	0900	1900	0900	1900
Sunday, Sep 28 th , 2014	0900	1500	0900	1200

^{*}Boat Measurement requires signing up for a specific measurement appointment time. Signup will be available on the event website.

7.2 Dates of racing:

Sunday, Sep 28 th , 2014	practice racing
Monday, Sep 29 th , 2014	racing
Tuesday, Sep 30 th , 2014	racing
Wednesday, Oct 1 st , 2014	racing
Thursday, Oct 2 nd , 2014	lay day (racing only in exceptional circumstances)
Friday, Oct 3 rd , 2014	racing
Saturday, Oct 4 th , 2014	racing

- 7.3 The race committee will run up to 4 races per day.
- 7.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the practice race is 1300. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1000.

8 MEASUREMENTS

- All sails to be used during the event are subject to fundamental measurement for compliance with J/80CR. Measurement will take place either during the measurement and inspection period, or at another official Worlds measurement opportunity (see 8.6).
- All boats shall be measured (including weighing) during the measurement and inspection period, or at another official Worlds measurement opportunity (see 8.6).
- 8.3 All boats and sails shall be inspected during the measurement and inspection period.

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- 8.4 All crew will be weighed for compliance with J/80CR C.4 during the registration times.
- 8.5 Measurement or equipment inspections may be conducted affoat or ashore before or after any race.
- Official Worlds Measurement opportunities will be scheduled close to the following events: Annapolis NOOD regatta, EYC One Design regatta, and the 2014 J/80 North American Championship. Other measurement opportunities may be held. All opportunities and appointment signups and will be on the official World Championship website.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration and on the website.

10 VENUE

The racing area will be in the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River.

11 THE COURSES

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

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- **12.1** Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.
- The first two sentences of rule 44.1 will be changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

13 SCORING

- **13.1** Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- (a) When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 13.3 A maximum of 20 races are scheduled.

14 SUPPORT BOATS

- **14.1** Boat shall not receive a tow to the starting area except from other competing boats.
- Rule 41 and the preamble to Part 4 of the racing rules will be modified to prohibit any outside assistance from the time a boat leaves her mooring and/or dock-slip for the first race of the day until she concludes racing for the day, except from other competitors, organizing authority boats, and registered support boats as permitted in 14.3.
- 14.3 When not racing, boats may confer with their registered support boats in person without the use of electronic communications.
- **14.4** Support boats shall be registered with the OA and abide by support boat instructions as stated in the sailing instructions.
- All support boats shall have an operating VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF Channel 72, and agree to assist the Race Committee if directed to do so.





- Support boats will be required to display identifying flags to be provided by the OA. Refundable deposits may be required for the flags.
- **14.7** Berths for support boats will not be provided.

15 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in harbor.

16 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

17 DIVING EQUIPMENT, PLASTIC POOLS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT

- 17.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.
- Dehumidifiers and other electrical devices intended for drying the interior of the boat may not be used from 1700 hours Sunday September 28, 2014 through 0900 on Sunday October 5th.

18 RADIO COMMUNICATION

The race committee intends to make informational announcements on VHF channel 72. These announcements may include intentions for the day's racing, OCS hails, mark changes, race postponement, race abandonment, and other information.

19 PRIZES

- 19.1 Prizes will be given to the top 5 boats based on final overall ranking.
- 19.2 The J/80 Worlds Championship perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winner of the championship.
- **19.4** Daily prizes and give-aways may be awarded.
- 19.3 Other prizes may be awarded.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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.

21 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 100,000USD per incident or the equivalent.

22 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Sharon Borland, Event Chair – sharon@club-411.com.





Addendum A – US Sailing prescriptions that apply

Prescription to Rule 40

Change rule 40 title to: PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES; LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT

After rule 40 add:

US Sailing prescribes that every boat shall carry life-saving equipment conforming to government regulations that apply in the racing area. Go to ussailing.org/racingrules/documents and click the 'PFD' link for more information.

Prescription to Rule 67

After rule 67 add:

US Sailing prescribes that:

- (a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
- (b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
- (c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.

Prescription to Rule 76.1

After rule 76.1 add:

US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.





Addendum A – US Sailing prescriptions that apply (cont)

APPENDIX T – ALTERNATIVE PROCEDURES FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION

SECTION B

POST-RACE PENALTIES

T2 PENALTIES TAKEN AFTER A RACE

T2.1 After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c).

However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by informing the race committee in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred.

- T2.2 The Post-Race Penalty shall be
 - (a) 20%, if taken before the protest time limit, or
 - (b) 30%, if taken after the protest time limit but before the beginning of a hearing involving the incident.

SECTION D

ARBITRATION

When Section D applies, a boat may take the applicable Post-Race Penalty in Section B without participating in an arbitration meeting.

T5 PROTEST ARBITRATION

- T5.1 An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest by a boat involving a rule of Part 2 or rule 31, but only if each party is represented by a person who was on board at the time of the incident. No witnesses will be permitted. However, if the arbitrator decides that rule 44.1(b) may apply or that arbitration is not appropriate, the meeting will not be held, and if a meeting is in progress, it will be closed.
- T5.2 Based on the evidence given by the representatives, the arbitrator will offer an opinion as to what the protest committee is likely to decide:
 - (a) the protest is invalid,
 - (b) no boat will be penalized for breaking a rule, or
 - (c) one or more boats will be penalized for breaking a rule, identifying the boats and the penalties.
- T5.3 A boat that may have broken a rule may take a Post-Race Penalty as provided in Section B. However, the penalty in rule T2.2(a) is available only until the protest time limit or until the beginning of the arbitration meeting, whichever is earlier. During a meeting, a boat may take a penalty by acknowledging her acceptance of the penalty in writing.
- T5.4 If a boat asks to withdraw her protest, the arbitrator may act on behalf of the protest committee in accordance with rule 63.1 to accept the withdrawal.