



2021 Porsche Centre Bournemouth J/24 National Championships

24th, 25th & 26th September 2021

Parkstone Yacht Club, Poole, Dorset. BH14 8EH.

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is Parkstone Yacht Club (PYC) in conjunction with the UK J24 Class Association

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The Organising Authority implements the RYA Racing Charter. Competitors shall undertake to sail in accordance with the Charter.
- 1.3 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.
- 1.4 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).
- 1.5 The RYA Exoneration Penalty and Arbitration will be available.
- 1.6 Class rule C.2.1(b) is changed to Class rule J.4.3 regarding crew. A crew nominated or listed for this event shall remain the same throughout the event. Emergency changes may be made only with written permission of the race committee.
- 1.7 Class rule C.10.2 will be changed with class rule J.2 that allows a spare spinnaker with restrictions.
- 1.8 RRS 61.1(a) will be changed so that the red flag displayed by a protesting boat shall have a hoist of not less than 150mm and a fly of not less than 200mm.
- 1.9 RRS 63.7 is changed so that in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the online official notice board at least three days prior to the event, and at registration.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board is located at: https://www.parkstoneyachtclub.com/Sailing/Racing/Major_Events/J24_Nationals_2021_
- 3.2 [DP] From the first warning signal each day until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Each owner and/or helm must be registered as a full member of the Class Association and provide evidence of this at registration. All boats must show a valid certificate of measurement and a copy of the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment on registration. A copy of these documents must be carried onboard for all races.
- 4.2 Competitors may enter by following the links on the PYC website Sailing/Major Events page at https://www.parkstoneyachtclub.com/Sailing/Racing/Major_Events/J24_Nationals_2021
- 4.3 To be considered an entry for the event a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.4 On paying the entry fee, competitors have confirmed that they have insurance as per NoR 17.1. Competitors may be required to produce proof of age.
- 4.5 All crew members will be weighed to comply with J/24 class rule C.2.1.
- 4.6 The closing date for entries will be **midnight on Wednesday 22nd September 2021**. Entries after this date will be at the discretion of the Organising Authority, contact <u>sailing@parkstoneyc.co.uk</u> to request a late entry.
- 4.7 A PYC Parent/Guardian Consent Form must be completed by the Parent or Guardian of any competitor under the age of 18 on the first day of the event. **The form must be completed during the boat entry process.**

5 **FEES**

- 5.1 Entry fee per boat is **£150.00** if paid by **midnight on Friday 17th September**. The entry fee after this time will be **£170.00**.
- 5.2 The entry fee will include launch/haul at times specified in 14.5 below, rafting for three nights and trailer storage, sponsors welcome party on Friday evening and "food in the hand" during haul out and prizegiving.

6 **ADVERTISING**

6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority. See World Sailing Advertising Code.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Registration and crew weigh-in will take place Thursday 23rd September 1700 2000 and Friday 24th 0900 1000.
- 7.2 A competitors briefing will be given over the public address system in the club's yard area at 0930 on Friday 24th September.
- 7.3 Ten races are scheduled, 4 on Friday 24th, 4 on Saturday 25th and 2 on Sunday 26th.
- 7.4 The warning signal for the first race on each day will be as follows:

Friday 24th	1100
Saturday 25th	1000
Sunday 26th	1000

7.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15:00.

8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 Boats may be inspected at any time during the event.
- 8.2 Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 when presented for inspection [DP].

9 VENUE

9.1 The venue is Parkstone Yacht Club, Pearce Avenue, Poole, Dorset, BH14 8EH.

9.2 The racing area will be in Poole Bay (see attachment A below) or, if conditions dictate, in Poole Harbour.

10 COURSES

10.1 The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward and detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

11 **PENALTY SYSTEM**

11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2 A boat's series score will be calculated as follows:
 - 12.2.1 When fewer than six races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 12.2.2 When six or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her series score excluding her worst score.

13 **BERTHING**

13.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned spaces in the yacht haven.

14 BERTHING/LAUNCHING/STORAGE

- 14.1 All Yard and Haven facilities must be booked in advance through the Haven office on 01202 738824.
- 14.2 Thursday/Friday/Saturday rafted berthing included in the entry fee.
- 14.3 Additional nights may be available (subject to booking) at standard visitors rate which can be obtained from the Haven office 01202 738824 or Club Website <u>www.parkstoneyachtclub.com</u> for more information about the Club and event.
- 14.4 The Yacht Club can offer normal yard facilities including haul out and scrubs (subject to booking) plus all normal emergency repairs.
- 14.5 J/24 launch/haul out is programmed for:

Launch - Thursday 23rd September 1530hrs to 1730hrs and Friday 24th 0800hrs to 0900hrs.

Haul out - Sunday 26th September 1500hrs to 1800hrs.

15 **PRIZES**

- 15.1 The winning boat will receive the J/24 National Champion's Trophy
- 15.2 The under 25 trophy will be awarded to the top team in which crew and helm are all under 25 at midnight on Thursday 23rd September 2021.
- 15.3 Prizes will be awarded to the first 3 boats overall and others at the Organiser's discretion.
- 15.4 The prizegiving will be as soon as possible after racing on Sunday 26th September.

16 **RISK STATEMENT**

- 16.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- 16.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in any event at PYC, each participant agrees and acknowledges that:
 - 1. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in such events.

- 2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
- 3. They accept responsibility for any injury, loss or damage to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
- 4. They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extreme weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather and that their safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.
- 5. The provision of race management teams, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organisers does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- 6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance as can be practically provided in the circumstances, particularly in extreme weather conditions. Further, in the event that any assistance is rendered to a competitor, no liability for any loss, damage or injury to the competitor, and/or the boat and its equipment is accepted either by the club or the crew of such patrol craft.
- 7. It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks, regulations and/or bye-laws specific to sailing or racing in Poole Harbour and Poole Bay including:
 - a. Tidal conditions in Poole Harbour, which are complex with areas of shallow water common as well as very fast tidal flows in parts of the harbour.
 - b. The area is used by a wide variety of craft, including large commercial vessels restricted in their ability to manoeuvre, a chain ferry in the harbour entrance and, at times, high volumes of leisure boat traffic. The Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREG) 1972, applies to all these craft including racing yachts.
 - c. The Poole Harbour Sail Racing Procedures issued by Poole Harbour Commissioners, which place requirements on all persons subject to RRS competing in the harbour. (<u>https://www.phc.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Poole-Harbour-Sail-Racing-Procedures-V.8-Aug-2020.pdf</u>)
- 8. They are responsible for complying with any regulations in force at the time of the event in respect of COVID-19 and also complying with Parkstone Yacht Club and RYA COVID-19 procedures.
- 9. Parkstone Yacht Club strongly recommends that all sailors wear personal buoyancy whilst on the water, as failure to do so significantly increases the risks inherent in sailing. Personal buoyancy should comply with RYA Prescription to RRS 40.

17 **INSURANCE**

17.1 No boat shall race unless the boat is currently insured for third party risks to the minimum sum of £3,000,000 per incident (or its equivalent in other currency) and such insurance shall be valid for the helmsperson who will be racing her.

18 MEMBERSHIP & LIABILITY

- 18.1 All visiting competitors will be deemed temporary members of Parkstone Yacht Club during the event and as such shall abide by all the Club's rules and bye-laws.
- 18.2 Members of the Club, their guests and visitors may use the Club premises and other facilities of the Club entirely at their own risk and implicitly accept that: the Club will not accept any liability for any damage to or loss of property belonging to members, their guests or visitors to the Club; the Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of use of the Club premises or any other facilities of the Club, or out of participating in any race organised by the Club, whether sustained by members, their guests or visitors or caused by the said members, guests or visitors, whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed to, or was occasioned by the neglect, default or negligence of any of the officers, committees or servants of the Club.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

FURTHER & LOCAL INFORMATION

Chandlers – Quay West Marine are adjacent to the dinghy park entrance (Tel: 01202 732445).

Notices – see paragraph 3.1 above for details of the Official Notice Board.

Further Information – for further information please contact the Parkstone Yacht Club main office on 01202 743610 or <u>sailing@parkstoneyc.co.uk</u> or visit our website on: <u>www.parkstoneyachtclub.com</u>

ATTACHMENT A - COURSE AREA



