



**2005 J/24 Canadian Championship**  
**Presented by BMW**  
**October 7 – 9, 2005**  
**West Vancouver Yacht Club**  
**West Vancouver, Canada**



## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association will apply to rules 61.2, 64.3, 68, 69.1(c), 69.1(d), 70.2 and 70.4(a), F2.1, F2.2, and Q. The prescriptions will be provided to competitors at the regatta office.
- 1.3 Rule 42 is changed by class rule 8.2 to prohibit the following actions::
- Sudden movement of the body forward or aft (ooching).
  - The repeated pumping of the headsail, mainsail, or any trim of the spinnaker halyard or guy to promote surfing or acceleration of the yacht. However, a single, even rapid trim of the headsail or spinnaker sheets and/or the mainsheet shall be permitted, provided the frequency of trim is not greater than that of waves passing under the yacht. All parts of the mainsheet may be pumped simultaneously.
  - Hanging on the mast or shrouds to promote roll tacking or gybing.
- 1.4 Rule 44.3 is amended to permit the use of flag I in place of a yellow flag.
- 1.5 Rule 49 is amended to provide that no member of the crew shall station any part of his/her torso outside the upper lifeline other than temporarily.
- 1.6 In accordance with rule G3, a chartered or loaned boat may carry a sail number other than her hull number.

### **2 ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION**

- 2.1 While racing, boats shall display bow numbers. The organizing authority will supply the numbers and instructions for their use.

### **3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the

official notice board located at the entrance to the main clubhouse.

### **4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

### **5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the main flag pole on the west side of the main clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the definition of race signal AP.
- 5.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40.1 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

### **6 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 6.1 Dates of racing:
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|-----------------|----------------------|
| Friday, Oct 7   | Four races scheduled |
| Saturday, Oct 8 | Four races scheduled |
| Sunday, Oct 9   | Four races scheduled |
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100 hours.
- 6.3 After the first race of the day, the warning signal for the next race will be made as soon as practicable. When there has been a long delay, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, flag AP will be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 6.4 On the last day of the regatta, providing three races have been completed, no warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

### **7 RACING AREA**

Attachment A shows the racing area.

## **8 THE COURSE**

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment B show the course, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 8.3 At its discretion, the race committee may replace mark 2 with a gate. Where there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

## **9 MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks 1 and 1a are yellow inflatables. Mark 2 is a red inflatable.
- 9.2 A new mark, as provided in instruction 11.1, will be a red inflatable.
- 9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be race committee boats displaying an orange flag.

## **10 THE START**

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the port end.
- 10.2 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 10.3 If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her bow number on VHF channel 72. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 10.4 The race committee will attempt to post bow numbers of OCS boats at the finishing line. Failure of the race committee to post bow numbers shall not be grounds for redress.

## **11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change

a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

- 11.2 If the new mark replaces mark 1, the offset mark 1a will not be set.

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the port end and a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 13.1 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at the regatta office within the protest time limit.
- 13.2 Appendix P will apply.
- 13.3 The protest committee may provide alternative penalties for minor infringement of J/24 class rules, as shown in Attachment C. The penalty shall apply to the race immediately preceding the protest. This changes rule 64.1.

## **14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

- 14.1 The time limit is 120 minutes. The mark 1 time limit is 30 minutes. Target time is 60 minutes. If no boat has passed mark 1 within the mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the regatta office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 15.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat has returned to the harbour. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the Sailing Centre, beginning at the time posted.

- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5 A list of boats that, under instruction 13.2, have acknowledged breaking rule 42 or have been disqualified by the protest committee, will be posted before the protest time limit.
- 15.6 Breaches of instructions 2, 13.1, 17.2, 21, 22, 23 and 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 15.7 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered  
 a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;  
 b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.  
 This changes rule 66.
- 15.8 On the last [day of the regatta a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

## **16 SCORING**

- 16.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2  
 a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.  
 b) When from 6 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.  
 c) When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 16.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available at the regatta office.
- 16.4 The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under instructions 13.3 or 15.6 will be DPI.

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 17.1 A boat that impedes or obstructs commercial traffic, or sails between a tug and its tow, will be disqualified. The disqualification may be for the

race or the regatta, at the discretion of the protest committee.

- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee when leaving the racing area, or if that is impossible, immediately after arriving ashore.

## **18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the protest committee.
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **20 SUPPORT BOATS**

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **21 BERTHING**

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the harbour.

## **22 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.

## **23 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

## **24 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 24.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive electronic communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and

similar devices.

24.2 In the event of an emergency, any electronic communication is permitted, provided that a written report is made to the race committee within protest time.

**25 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given to the skippers and crew of the top five boats.

**26 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.

**27 INSURANCE**

27.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per event or the equivalent for boats owned in Canada and \$300,000 USD per event or the equivalent for boats owned in the USA or elsewhere.

27.2 A copy of the boat's insurance certificate shall be provided at registration.

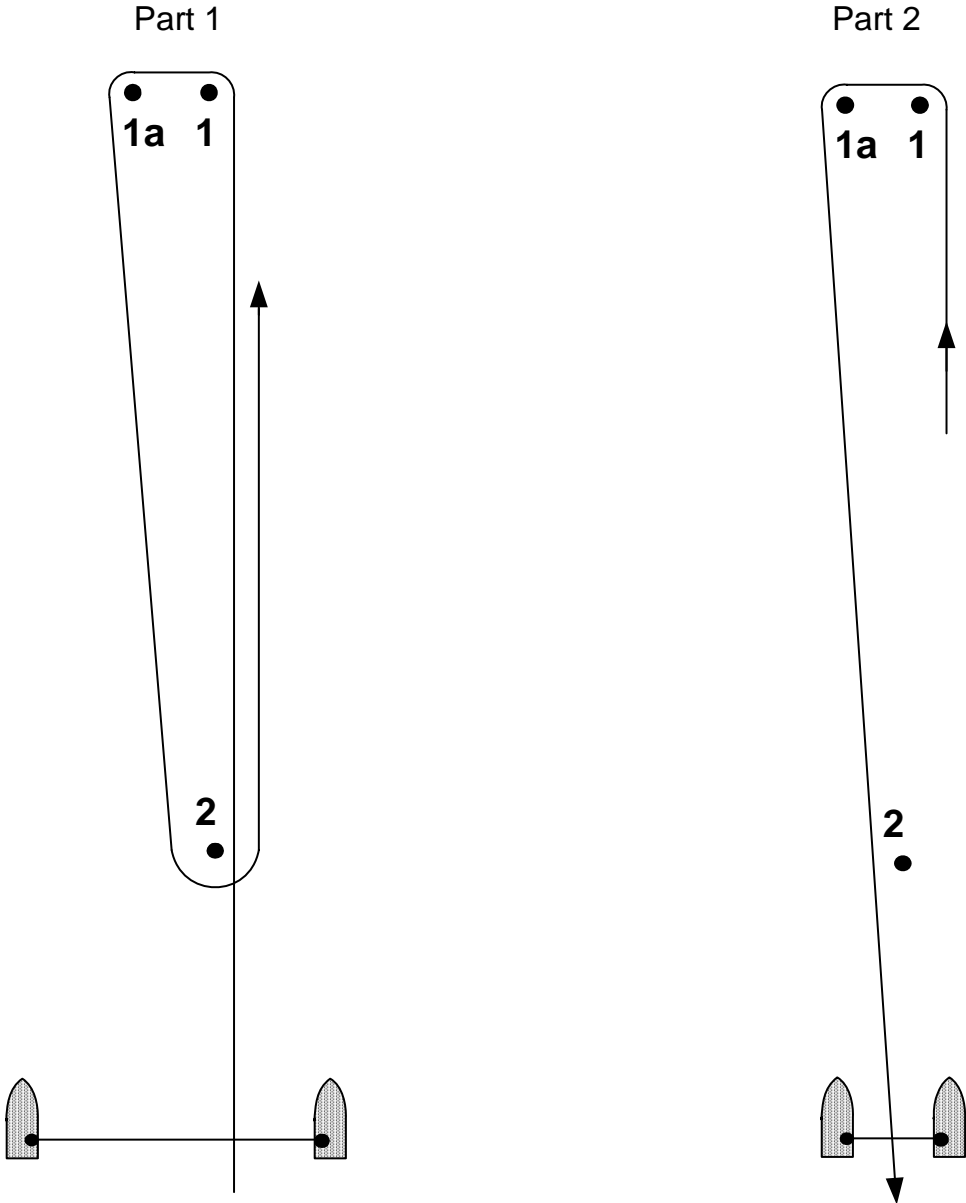
# Attachment A

## Racing Area



**Attachment B**

**The Course**



**Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – 1 – 1a – Finish**

## Attachment C

### Penalties for Minor Infringements of J/24 Class Rules

CLASS RULE	INFRINGEMENT	PROPOSED PENALTY
2.5.6	A copy of the Measurement Certificate and the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment (Rule 3.7.3) are to be kept aboard the yacht One or both items are not on board.	Scoring penalty 40% rule 44.3 (c)
2.6.1	Advertising does not conform to the restrictions	Scoring penalty 20% rule 44.3 (c)
3.2.4	The sink is not connected so that it will drain into a plastic container with a minimum capacity of 5 liters and/or overboard by means of a through hull fitting.	Scoring penalty 20% rule 44.3 (c)
4.1.2	The required navigation lights are installed or on board but one or more are not in working order	Scoring penalty 20% rule 44.3 (c)
4.1.3	The compass is installed but inoperable.	Scoring penalty 20% rule 44.3 (c)
4.1.4	Required foghorn is on board but not functional. The required foghorn is not on board.	Scoring penalty 20% rule 44.3 (c) Scoring penalty 40% rule 44.3 (c)
4.1.5	Required water-resistant flashlight is on board but not functional.	Scoring penalty 20% rule 44.3 (c)
4.1.8	The throwable lifesaving device and attached sea anchor not in correct place in the cockpit.	Scoring penalty 20% rule 44.3 (c)
4.1.10	The required first aid manual is not on board	Scoring penalty 20% rule 44.3 (c)
4.3	Any of anchor(s), outboard motor, battery and fuel container are not secured against movement.	Scoring penalty 20% rule 44.3 (c)
7.1.10	The luff and/or foot of the mainsail set outside the distinguishing bands as defined in Rules 3.5.2(d) and 3.5.5(c).	Scoring penalty 40% rule 44.3 (c)
7.1.19	Elastic (shock) cord is used in the standing or running rigging.	Scoring penalty 40% rule 44.3 (c)
8.1.2	The stowage of required or optional equipment other than unbagged sails on the cabin sole over the keel.	Scoring penalty 40% rule 44.3 (c)
8.1.3	Use of other than normal sailing gear in normal, designed and proper storage areas to attain sailing weight.	Scoring penalty 40% rule 44.3 (c)
8.1.4	The connection to the mast heel of any adjustment device or equipment.	Scoring penalty 40% rule 44.3 (c)

1. Unless specified in the table, penalties for infringement shall be disqualification, under the provisions of rule 64.1.
2. If a competitor receives an Alternative Penalty, the decision shall include whether the same penalty will be applied to subsequent infringements or that no further protests under that particular rule may be entertained against that competitor until a time to be specified.