



**Organizing Authority (OA): Canadian J24 Class Association in conjunction with
The International J/24 Class Association
and Port Credit Yacht Club (PCYC)
September 30 – October 4, 2026
115 Lakefront Promenade
Mississauga, Ontario L5E 3G6**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

Preamble: The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the 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 event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2** The Vakaros RaceSense system will be utilized. This changes RRS 26, RRS 29.1, RRS 41(c) and Race Signals. See Addendum RS.
- 1.3** RRS 60.1 is changed to read: "A boat or committee may protest a boat, but the technical committee shall only protest for violations of Class Rules."

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue/50626> before 0800 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. Courtesy postings may occur in the competitors WhatsApp group.
- 2.2** Any questions regarding these Sailing Instructions shall be submitted in writing to the Race Officer. The questions and any answers will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1** Notices to competitors will be published on the official notice board located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue/50626>.
- 3.2** On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 71.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1** [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located on the lawn, south of the clubhouse.
- 5.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

Day	Date	Time	Activity
Thursday	1 October	1400 1700	Practice race All boats afloat
Friday	2 October	1050	Warning for First Race of the Day
Saturday	3 October	1050	Warning for First Race of the Day
Sunday	4 October	1050 1500	Warning for First Race of the Day No Race will start after this time Prize Giving

6.2 Eight (8) races are scheduled over three (3) consecutive days. No more than four (4) races may be sailed on a single day.

6.3 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The J/24 Class flag (blue insignia on a white background) shall be used in accordance with RRS 26.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 Racing will take place on Lake Ontario southeast of the entrance to the Port Credit Yacht Club basin

9 COURSES

9.1 Courses will be windward/leeward with five legs (Course 5) or four legs (Course 4).

9.2 The diagrams in Addendum C shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the course designator, the approximate compass bearing and distance to the first mark.

9.4 Mark 2 will be a gate consisting of two marks (mark 2P and mark 2S). The gate may be replaced by a single mark; in this case, the mark shall be rounded to port.

9.5 No 5-leg course will be shortened to less than four legs in length, and no 4-leg course will be shortened to less than three legs in length. For purpose of this SI only, the distance between mark 1 and mark 1a will not be regarded as a leg of the course.

10 MARKS

10.1 Marks 1, 1a, 2P and 2S, start and finish will be:

Mark Designation	Description
1, 1a, 2p, 2s	Orange inflatable
New Mark per SI 13.1	Yellow inflatable
Start	Green Inflatable
Finish	Course 4: Green Inflatable Course 5: Red Inflatable

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

11.1 No areas are designated as obstructions.

12 THE START

12.1 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

- 12.2** RRS 30.4 is changed to permit the race committee to display sail number or bow number after a general recall.
- 12.3** A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.
- 13** **CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**
- 13.1** 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.
- 14** **THE FINISH**
- 14.1** The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.
- 15** **PENALTY SYSTEM**
- 15.1** The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."
- 15.2** Except if the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes RRS 44.2
- 15.3** RRS Appendix T will apply, as modified below:
- (a) A boat may accept a post-race scoring penalty of 20%, calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c), only until the end of the protest time limit by completing a penalty acceptance form available at the protest desk. This changes RRS Appendix T.1.(a) and T.1.(b).
 - (b) A boat accepting a post-race scoring penalty after an arbitration meeting shall be penalized 30%. This changes RRS Appendix T.1.(b).
- 15.4** RRS Appendix P applies as modified below:
- (a) RRS Appendix P1.1 is changed to read, "Only members of the Jury may serve as observers and act in accordance with rule P1.2. A person with a significant conflict of interest shall not be appointed as an observer."
 - (b) RRS Appendix P2.1 is changed to read, "two-turns penalty" is changed to "one-turn penalty".
 - (c) RRS Appendix P2.2, P2.3 shall not apply.
- 15.5** **This replaces NoR 11.5.**
- The International Jury may impose a discretionary penalty (DPI), less than disqualification, for breaches of the Racing Rules of Sailing other than those in Parts 1 and 2. A DPI penalty shall be a minimum of 10% calculated using the method described 44.3(c).
- Exceptions:**
- a) A boat protested by the Tech Committee and found in breach of a Class Rule listed in Addendum CR may accept the listed post-race scoring penalty by completing a penalty acceptance form available at the protest desk within the protest time limit.
 - b) A boat protested by the Tech Committee and found in breach of a Class Rule not listed in Addendum CR may be scored a DPI not less than 20% as determined by the Jury. Scoring penalties shall be applied to all races for which the boat was in non-compliance.

16 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 16.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Target Time	Finishing Window
30 minutes	60 to 80 minutes	30 minutes after 1 st boat to Finish

- 16.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the **Mark 1 Time Limit**, the race will be abandoned.
- 16.3 The **Finishing Window** is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place two (2) more than the finishing place of the last boat that sailed the course within the Finishing Window and was not penalised under RRS 30.3 or 30.4. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 16.4 Failure to meet the **Race Target Time** shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).

17 HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 17.2 Hearing requests shall be submitted by using the online system.
<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu/50626>
- 17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at Learn To Sail Centre, located west of the main clubhouse as scheduled on the official notice board. Parties are responsible for notifying their witnesses as scheduled on the official notice board.
- 17.4 A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 under Appendix P will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 To request correction of an alleged error in posted results or to schedule a meeting with the race official(s) who made a call, a boat shall complete an online scoring inquiry form available at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu/50626>

19 [DP][NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to compete in a race or returns to the racing area shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 19.2 Before the warning signal of the first race each day, each boat shall sail past the stern of a designated race committee vessel displaying flag L and hail her bow number until acknowledged by the race committee repeating her bow number.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

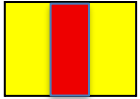
- 20.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed except with prior written approval of the of the Technical Committee Chair.
- 20.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race. Substitution of spinnakers, spinnaker poles or rudders with spares that have been measured and carry event limitation marks for this event may be done without advanced notification, but shall be reported to the Technical Committee upon returning to shore.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.
- 21.2** [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, the designated area will be communicated to the boats being inspected.

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 23.1** Official vessels will be identified as follows:

VESSEL	FLAG
Jury	
Technical Committee/Measurement	
Safety	
Photographer	

24 [DP] SUPPORT VESSELS

- 24.1** All support persons and support person vessels shall stay 150 meters outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. **Also see NoR 1.6**

26 BERTHING – See NoR 15.

27 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS – See NoR 16

28 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS – See NoR 17

29 PRIZES – See NoR 21

30 RISK STATEMENT – See NoR 19

31 INSURANCE – See NoR 20

32 MEDIA RIGHTS – See NoR 18

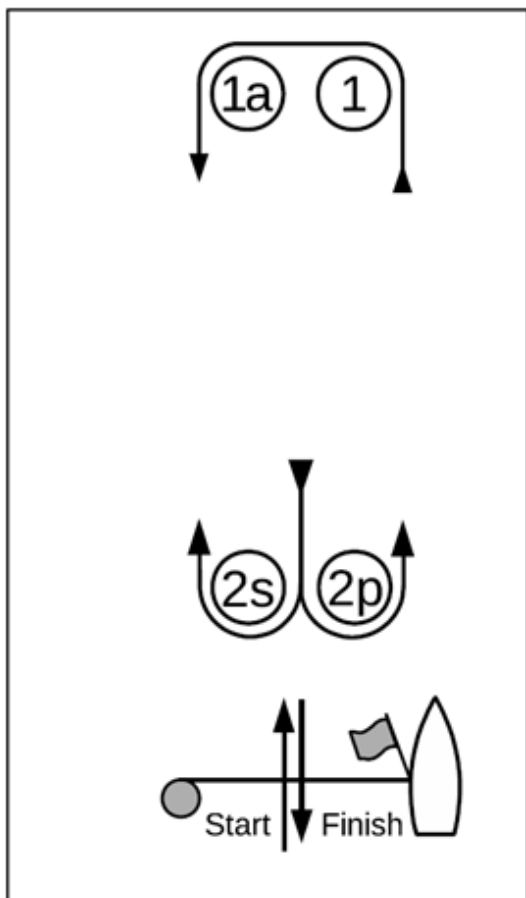
ADDENDUM RS

RaceSense RRS changes

Rules and Instructions for Using the Vakaros and RaceSense System:

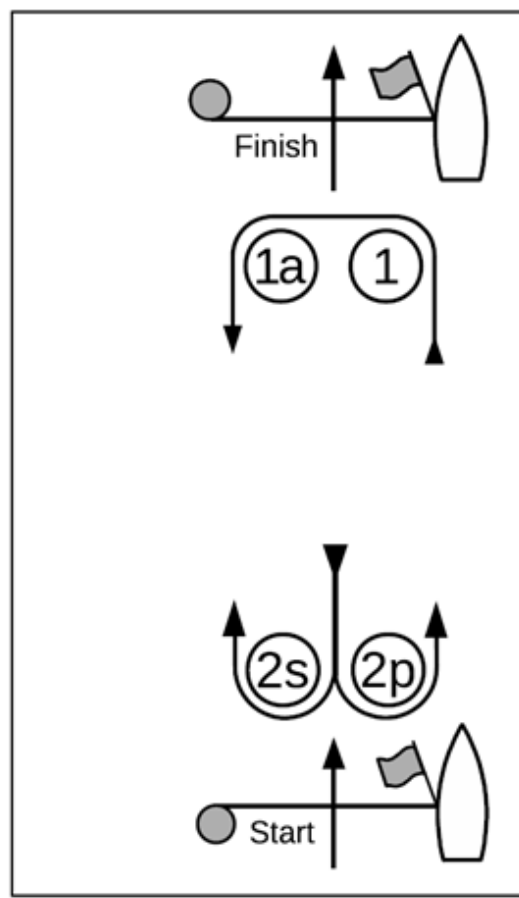
- RS.1 Each boat shall have a working Vakaros Atlas 2 or Edge configured for RaceSense at check-in. Boats without a configured Atlas 2 or Edge may have one provided by the OA, for applicable fees. This shall be mounted as required by the class at all times while racing.
- RS.2 The Vakaros RaceSense system will be used by the Race Committee (RC) and the relevant information will be available to all boats. Instructions for using the electronic Atlas 2 or Edge device will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- RS.3 Competitors shall take all reasonable measures to keep the Atlas 2 or Edge safe and operational and promptly notify Vakaros staff on the water or ashore of any device issues.
- RS.4 RRS 26 is changed. The countdown to the start on the Atlas2 or Edge from RaceSense will be the official time. Signal flags will only be used for information purposes.
- RS.5 The visual identification of boats infringing RRS 29 and 30 by the RC is replaced with electronic identification through the Vakaros RaceSense system, modifying RRS 29.1, 30.1, 30.2, 30.3, and 30.4.
- RS.6 Any alleged failure of the Atlas 2 or Edge, RaceSense system, or communication systems will not constitute grounds to request redress by a boat or the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 61.1(a), 61.1(c).
- RS.7 If the RC vessel displays Code Flag O (Oscar) with a long sound signal before the warning signal of a race, RS.4 and RS.5 inclusive will not apply to that race.
- RS.8 If the RC vessel displays Code Flag R (Romeo) with a long sound signal before the warning signal of a race, Competitors shall restart their Vakaros Atlas or Edge unit by switching it off, waiting 10 seconds and then switching it back on to reconnect to the RaceSense network. Code Flag R will remain displayed for a minimum of 2 minutes and will be removed with the next warning signal.
- RS.9 If firmware updates to Atlas 2 or Edge devices are required between scheduled race days, notice will be sent to all boats via email and/or the Event What'sApp group.

Course 4



Signal	Mark Rounding Order
4	Start—1—1a—2s/2p— 1—1a—Finish

Course 5



Signal	Mark Rounding Order
5	Start—1—1a—2s/2p— 1—1a— 2s/2p —Finish

ADDENDUM CR

Class Rule	Infringement	Scoring Penalty
B.3 B.3.1 B.3.2	A copy of the Measurement Certificate and the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment are to be kept aboard the yacht one or both items are not on board.	10%
C.5.1 (a)(1) thru (6)	Missing Mandatory Portable Equipment not listed below	30%
C.5.1(a)(4)	A minimum of one lifesaving device on deck and ready to be thrown overboard.	40%
C.5.1(a)(2) C.5.1(b)(1) C.5.2(a)(10)	Any of anchors(s), outboard motor/engine, battery or engine fuel container(s) are not in their proper location and secured against movement	30%
C.5.3	The stowage of required or optional equipment other than unbagged sails on the cabin sole over the keel.	40%
C.5.2(a)(1) thru (17)	Missing item from Optional Portable Equipment listed on Measurement Certificate	20%
C.7.2(a)(5)	".... Taut (shall not sag more than 10mm between supports without any external loads) lifelines of wire, not less than 4mm diameter, shall be attached to the pulpit and pushpit and pass through the stanchions."	20%