

2023 J/30 North American Championship Friday-Sunday, 25-27 August 2023



Bristol Yacht Club
Bristol, RI



Notice of Race

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).

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 RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The J/30 National Class Association rules shall apply, and are located at http://j30.us/j30.org/public_html/html/technical/J30-2013-Class-Rules-only.pdf
- 1.3. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The event is open to boats of J/30 class that comply with the eligibility rules for J/30 national events.
- 2.2. Eligible boats may enter the event by registering on the Regatta Website at <https://www.bristolyc.com/j30championship>.
- 2.3. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

3 FEES

- 3.1. The entry fees are as follows:
 - A Deposit of \$100.00 is required with registration.
 - The Total Entry Fee of \$500.00 including the Deposit must be received no later than 30 June, 2023.

- Late registrations will be accepted with the Total Entry Fee of \$500.00 including Deposit plus a late fee of \$75.00 to be received no later than 4 August, 2023.
- No entries will be accepted after 4 August 2023.

- 3.2. 75% of the entry fee will be refunded if a request to withdraw from the event is received by 2000 hours on Friday, 4 August 2023.
- 3.3. Moorings with launch service will be provided for all racing boats with the entry fee for the evenings of 24, 25, and 26 August 2023.

4 EVENT FORMAT

- 4.1. All boats shall race as one (1) fleet.
- 4.2. A maximum of eight races are scheduled.

5 SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	24 August	1000-1820 1830 1830	Class Measurement, Registration & Crew Weigh-in All boats must be inspected and afloat Skipper's meeting
Friday	25 August	0800-0900 1100 After racing	Crew weigh-in Warning Signal for first race of the day Competitor's Social at BYC
Saturday	26 August	1100 After racing	Warning Signal for first race of the day Competitor's Social at BYC
Sunday	27 August	1100 1330 After racing	Warning Signal for first race of the day No warning Signal after this time Awards party at BYC

6 MEASUREMENT

- 6.1. To complete the registration process all crew shall complete weigh-in at Bristol Yacht Club. Boats and sails may be measured at Bristol Yacht Club during the measuring period and will meet the J/30 National Class Association Rules.
- 6.2. Measurement or equipment inspections may be conducted before or after any race.
- 6.3. All sails to be used during the event are subject to measurement, per Class rules. Changes or substitutions of sails as those intended to be used in the regatta (including sails that are lost, damaged beyond repair, or destroyed) may only be made with the written consent of the Chief Judge.

- 6.4. Changes to the crew list submitted at registration may only be made with the written consent of the Race Committee. Copies of crew lists for all boats will be available for inspection during crew weigh-in. Changes to crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 31 July 2023 at the Bristol YC and on the Regatta Website.

8 VENUE

- 8.1. The event venue will be the Bristol Yacht Club, 101 Poppasquash Road, Bristol, RI, 02809.
- 8.2. The racing areas and courses will be discussed in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

9 COURSES

- 9.1. Courses will be windward/leeward courses.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, shall apply.
- 10.2. RRS US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1, Penalty At The Time Of An Incident, shall apply.

11 SCORING

- 11.1. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 11.2. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply, with the following modifications: when fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all of her race scores; when six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.3. A boat that did not Start, did not Sail the Course, did not Finish, Retired or was Disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that finished that race. This changes A5.2.

12 SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1 Support persons with vessels are responsible for making their own berthing arrangements which may include arrangements with the Bristol Yacht Club or at Dockwa.com

13 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 13.1. [DP] All boats shall have completed registration and be in the water by 1830 hours on Thursday, 24 August. A boat shall not be hauled out during the regatta without written approval by the Principal Race Officer or Chief Judge.

14 COMMUNICATIONS

- 14.1. The online official notice board is located on the east deck of the BYC club house.
- 14.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, 71, 72 and 73.
- 14.3. On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors including but not limited to race start times, OCS infractions and race time limits on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 14.4. [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1. Overall prizes will be presented at an awards ceremony at BYC following the conclusion of racing on Sunday, 27 August 2023.
- 15.2. Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the OA.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1. Boats participate in the J/30 North American Championship entirely at their own risk; see RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Bristol Yacht Club and its staff and volunteers will accept no liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

17 INSURANCE

- 17.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1. For further information please contact Mark Rotsky, Event Chair, at Rotskybyc@gmail.com, or 508-245-1192.