



J/24 European Championship
24/09 - 01/10 2017 Balatonfüred

NOTICE OF RACE





2017 J/24 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

24 September – 1 October 2017

Balatonfüredi Yacht Club (BYC) in conjunction with the Hungarian Yachting Association, the Hungarian J/24 Class Association and the International J/24 Class Association

Balatonfüred, Hungary

www.j24europeans2017.hu

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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 regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The Regatta Regulations of the International J/24 Class Association (IJCA) will apply.
- 1.4 Support Boats – Not with standing the Preamble of Part 4 rules, RRS 41 shall apply from the time a boat leaves her mooring for the first race of each day until she returns to her mooring after racing. If RC displays Race Signal AP over H, RRS 41 restrictions are suspended until she leaves her mooring again.
- 1.5 Bow numbers will be assigned to each boat and will be used as identification for the boat during the regatta. Bow numbers shall be applied in accordance with the instructions supplied and shall remain affixed until after a boat hauls out at the end of the regatta.
- 1.6 In accordance with RRS G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the class rules.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.8 Part 5, Section B of the RRS and RRS 44 will be changed to permit Protest Arbitration.
- 1.9 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.
- 1.10 RRS 44.3 will be changed so that code flag "I" may be used as the yellow flag and so that the flag used (either yellow or code flag "I") shall have a hoist of not less than 150mm and a fly of not less than 200mm.
- 1.11 Class rule C.2.1(b) will be replaced in the Sailing Instructions with class rule J.4.3 that allows limited crew substitution.
- 1.12 Class rule C.10.2 will be replaced in the Sailing Instructions by class rule J.2 that allows a spare spinnaker with restrictions.
- 1.13 The race committee will use VHF radio to communicate to the fleet. Failure to make this broadcasts or failure to hear the broadcast shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

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2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Competitor advertising shall comply with RRS 80 and World Sailing Regulation 20.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The European Championship is open to J/24 Class boats as defined by the IJCA class rules, and that qualify as prescribed in the IJCA Regatta Regulations, and whose entries are accepted by the organizing authority.
- 3.2 Championship drivers must be either nationals or residents and members of the National J/24 Class Association of the country that they represent.
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form at <http://www.j24europeans2017.hu/> until 23.59 GMT+1 24 Aug 2017.
- 3.4 Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions:
 - (a) Late entries can still be submitted by the end of the on-site registration. See 4.2 and 4.3
- 3.5 If there are co-drivers, one of them shall be designated as the primary driver for this regatta.

4 FEES

- 4.1 The required entry fee is 450 EUR per boat or the equivalent in HUF on the daily currency rate until 23.59 GMT +1 31st May 2017.
- 4.2 The required entry fee is 500 EUR per boat or the equivalent in HUF on the daily currency rate until 23.59 GMT+1 24 Aug 2017.
- 4.3 The required entry fee is 600 EUR per boat or the equivalent in HUF on the daily currency rate from 00.00 GMT +1 25 Aug 2017 until close of registration.
- 4.4 Fee includes measurement, launching, hauling, storage/mooring while at the regatta, racing, scheduled social functions for all crew, prizes.
- 4.5 Additional individual social function passes may be purchased at registration for an additional fee.
- 4.6 Entries will not be valid until payment is received and confirmed by the OA.
- 4.7 All fees are payable by bank transfer to:
 - Name of Bank: OTP Bank
 - Account holder: Balatonfüredi Yacht Club
 - Account No: HU87 1173 6006 2040 2954 0000 0000
 - SWIFT code: OTPVHUHB
 - Note: J/24 European Championship – Sail number



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5 SCHEDULE

5.1

Day	Date	Time	Event/Activity
Sunday	24 September	900 – 1200 1330 - 1800	Registration/Measurement/Crew Weigh-in
Monday	25 September	900 - 1200 1330 - 2000	Registration/Measurement/ Crew Weigh-in
Tuesday	26 September	0900 – 1400 1300 1400 1500 1800	Registration/Measurement/ Crew Weigh-in Competitors' Briefing All Boats Afloat Warning for Practice Race Opening Ceremony
Wednesday	27 September	0800 – 0830 1000 1900	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for First Race of the Day Social Event
Thursday	28 September	0800 – 0830 1000 1900	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for First Race of the Day Social Event
Friday	29 September	0800 – 0830 1000 1900	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for First Race of the Day Social Event
Saturday	30 September	0800 – 0830 1000 16.00 1800	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for First Race of the Day No warning after Closing Ceremony – Prize Giving

* These scheduled crew weigh-ins are only for approved replacement crews per NOR 1.11.

5.2 Eleven (11) races are scheduled over four consecutive days.

5.3 Three races are scheduled per day, except the last day of racing when two races are scheduled. One extra race per day may be sailed provided that the regatta does not become more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to the provisions of the Sailing Instructions. If the regatta is behind schedule, extra races to a maximum of four races may be sailed in a single day.

6 REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

6.1 At registration, each boat shall present:

- A valid, IJCA issued Measurement Certificate, Including Part C: Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment. Boats that do not have a valid, IJCA issued Measurement Certificate must make arrangements to have their boat measured prior to the regatta.
- No first time or full measurement will be available during the scheduled regatta measurement time.
- Proof of current marine liability insurance coverage in the amount of 25 Million HUF or equivalent.
- Proof of J/24 Class Association membership in the country they represent for the owner and the driver(s).

6.2 All competitors will be weighed during registration. Competitors must have a passport or other photo identification at weigh-in.

6.3 Measurement will be carried out on all boats for compliance with class rule C.6.1(a) (all up weight of 1330kg.) and on sails for compliance with class rules C.10 and Section G and on

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forestays for compliance with class rule C.9.7(a). Other items of equipment may be inspected at the discretion of the technical committee.

6.4 Boats will be subject to inspection at any time during the regatta.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Printed copies of the Sailing Instructions will be available at registration. The electronic version of the Sailing Instruction will be available on www.j24europeans2017.hu no later than the start of registration.

8 VENUE

8.1 Attachment 1 shows the location of the regatta harbour.

8.2 Attachment 2 shows the location of the racing area.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward with 4 or 5 legs.

9.2 The target time for each race is approximately 60-75 minutes.

9.3 An offset mark at the weather mark will be used. Exceptions will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

9.4 A gate at the leeward mark will be used. Exceptions will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply, with penalties as modified by the IJCA. See J/24 Scoring Penalties on the Class website, <http://www.j24class.org> Class Documents. These modifications will be printed in the Sailing Instructions.

10.2 An International Jury will be appointed according to RRS 70.5, whose decisions will be final.

10.3 Arbitration may be used prior to the protest hearing for incidents involving the rules of Part 2 or RRS 31.

10.4 Some other penalties as per RRS 64.1 will apply for breaking some IJCA rules. See J/24 Class Rule Penalties on the Class website. These penalties will be printed in the Sailing Instructions.

11 SCORING

11.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.

11.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score. Appendix A will be changed accordingly.

11.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. Boats scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points by the race committee. RRS A4.2, A5 and A11 will be changed accordingly.



12 SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1 Lake Balaton is under natural preservation and the use of powerboats is strictly regulated by Hungarian law. To obtain temporary permits, support boats shall register at the Organizing Authority until 28 August 2017 where all details will be communicated included the exact fee that applies to the permit.
- 12.2 Support boats shall comply with NOR 1.4.
- 12.3 Support boats shall register during scheduled registration, declaring to which boat or boats they are attached. They may be required to display an identification flag supplied by the organizing authority. [DP]

13 BERTHING

- 13.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places or areas, as directed by the Organizing Authority. [DP]

14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 14.1 Boats shall be afloat by 14:00 26 September 2017 and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with, and according to the terms of prior written permission of the jury. This includes rudders. [DP]

15 DIVING EQUIPMENT, PLASTIC POOLS AND OTHER PROHIBITED ACTIONS

- 15.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used between the time the boat is afloat and the end of the regatta. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes, cloth or other equipment designed for that use. [DP]
- 15.2 Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the regatta. [DP]

16 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]
- 16.2 The race committee may choose to make VHF radio communications to the fleet on a channel to be announced in the sailing instructions. It is strongly encouraged that each boat has a VHF radio on board capable of receiving these communications.

17 PRIZES

- 17.1 Prizes will be awarded to at least the top 10 boats entered.
- 17.2 Prizes will be awarded to the top youth's entry comprised of a crew in which none are over the age of 25 years.
- 17.3 A prize will be awarded for the top women's entry in which the entire crew is comprised of women.
- 17.4 Prizes will be awarded to the top senior entry sailor at age 65 and over.
- 17.5 There will be a prize for the winners of the day.
- 17.6 Organization Authority may define other special prizes in the Sailing Instruction.



18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.
- 18.2 All competitors will be required to sign a Competitor Liability Waiver form which will be provided in the registration package.

19 INSURANCE

- 19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum coverage of 25 Million HUF per incident or the equivalent.

20 MEDIA RIGHTS

- 20.1 Competitors give absolute right and permission to the IJCA, the Hungarian J/24 Class Association, the Balatonfüredi Yacht Club and the event sponsors to use, publish, broadcast or otherwise distribute for promotional, advertising or any other purpose, any images and sound recorded during the event of persons and boats free of any charge.

21 FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT THE FOLLOWING

- Regatta Chair: Mr. István Böröcz, BYC, borocz.istvan@byc.hu
President of HUNJCA: Mr. Erik Hercsel erik@hercsel.hu
Charter boats: Mr. Gabor Makai euline@vipmail.hu



ATTACHMENT 1 – LOCATION OF THE REGATTA HARBOR



Host club:
Balatonfüredi Yacht Club: www.byc.hu

Host port:
Balatonfüredi Yacht Club
Hungary, 8230, Balatonfüred, Zákonyi Ferenc street 2.
[+46° 57' 11.81", +17° 53' 33.47"]

ATTACHMENT 2 – LOCATION OF THE RACING AREA



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