



2024 J-24 Nor'easter and Ensign Midwinter Regatta

March 22, 23, 24, 2024
J24 Fleet 67, Ensign Fleet 83
Columbia Sailing Club
Lake Murray, Columbia, SC

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2021-2024

1.2. The Regatta Regulations of the International J24 Class and the Ensign Class.

1.3. Under rule 87, rule 5.3 is changed as follows: A boat may sail with different crew on different days provided the crew changes are declared at registration. Crew changes not declared at registration require advance written approval of the jury chairman and will only be approved in exceptional circumstances.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1. The regatta is open to J24 Class and Ensign Class members. Entrants must meet all ownership, class membership, and measurement requirements. Yachts must be entered by advance registration.

2.2 Entry fees include boat launch and boat berths during the Regatta. Registration is available online: <https://columbiasailingclub.theclubspot.com/regatta/6FCI3pJr3U>

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3.2 Advance registration for all boats (on or before 3/1/2024)	\$280
Late registration (on or after 3/2/2024)	\$310

4. SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 21	1400-1800	Check-in
Friday, March 22	0800-1000	Crane launching
	0900-1000	Check-in
	1000	Skipper's Meeting
	1230	First warning signal, additional races to follow
Saturday, March 23	1030	First warning signal, additional races to follow
Sunday, March 24	0930	First warning signal, additional races to follow
	1300	No warning signal after this time

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available online no later than March 15, 2024.

6. VENUE

Shoreside activities will be hosted at the Columbia Sailing Club. Racing will be on the waters of Lake Murray west of the dam, and east of the Spence Islands.

7. THE COURSES

The courses will be windward/leeward, of approximately 45-60 minutes duration

8. SCORING AND PENALTY SYSTEM

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 sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This modifies Appendix A. Race committee will attempt to run as many races as are practical. One or more races will constitute a regatta. Boats failing to finish within 30 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 one point by the race committee without a hearing. This changes rule A4.2, A5, and A11. 1

9. LAUNCHING, HAULING, DOCKING, PARKING

A crane will be available to launch and haul during the hours specified in Paragraph 4 above. There is no lifting charge. A gin pole is available. Yachts must be wet sailed during the Regatta. Haul outs during the regatta will be allowed only upon petition to and permission granted by the organizing authority. Berthing will be provided at the Columbia Sailing Club. Parking, launching, and docking instructions will be provided at the club entrance. Boats may be parked at the club before or after the regatta, for travel to other regattas, with approval in advance.

10. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the top three boats, in the J24 and Ensign Classes. Also, the 1st place winner's name from the class with the greatest number of boats will be engraved on CSC's *Perlita Trophy* and the 1st place winner in the J/24 class will be engraved on the J/24 perpetual trophy. The highest placing member of Fleet 67 will be similarly recognized on Fleet 67's perpetual trophy.

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authorities 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.

12. INSURANCE

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

13. MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the IJCA, the USJCA, J24 Fleet 67, Ensign Class, Ensign Fleet 83, the Columbia Sailing 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.

14. CHANGES TO NOR

The organizing authorities retain the right to modify this NOR at any time. Please check <https://columbiasailingclub.theclubspot.com/regatta/6FCI3pJr3U> for any updates.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1 <https://columbiasailingclub.theclubspot.com/regatta/6FCI3pJr3U>

14.2 **ENSIGNS:** Fran Trapp by email: fran.trapp25@gmail.com or 803.413.6500

J24S: Roger Dougal by email: rd5274@sc.rr.com or 803.361.7448

16. MISCELLANEOUS

15.1. Camping is permitted on a first come basis, No RV hook ups are available, but some power and water is available. The Beach House has six showers with tank-less hot water system, plenty of room for changing, and located directly beside the beach area on club grounds.

15.2. Dogs are **not permitted** on club grounds.

15.3. CSC front gate is at 292 Shuler Road (34 deg 03' 52.87" N, 81 deg 13' 43.77" W)