



## J World Annapolis Thursday Night Racing 2026

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May 7, 2026 to August 27, 2026

No racing on July 2, 2026

J World Annapolis

Annapolis, MD USA

### Notice of Race

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. US Sailing Prescription Appendix V will apply.
- 1.3. RRS A2.1 is changed in NOR 9.3 and RRS A5.2 is changed in NOR 9.4.
- 1.4. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.5. DP in front of a rule means that rule is a Discretionary Penalty.
- 1.6. Class rules will apply.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the J/22, J/24, J/70, J/80, and Lightning classes.
- 2.2. Each Class needs a minimum of 3 boats registered by the first day of a series to have a start.
- 2.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form at <https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/3i3RilsX7W/class>.
- 2.4. Late entries will be accepted with the payment of a \$50 late fee for each time you register late. Boats whose registration is not complete will be scored DNS in any races for which they were not fully registered, even if they later register.

**3. FEES**

3.1. Required fees are as follows:

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>FEE</b>
<b>SERIES ONE</b>	\$125
<b>SERIES TWO</b>	\$125
<b>COMBINED SERIES ONE &amp; TWO</b>	\$250
<b>LIGHTNING CLASS</b>	\$125
<b>LATE FEE</b>	\$50 IF REGISTRATION AFTER THE SERIES BEGINS

If you intend to race the combined series, please register for both series at one time. Boats with a change of plans can receive a partial refund if requested before sailing in Series Two.

**4. SCHEDULE**

4.1. Dates of racing:

<b>2025 DATES</b>	<b>EVENTS</b>
<b>MAY 7 - JUNE 25</b>	Series One races (J/22, J/24, J/70, J/80, Lightning)
<b>JUNE 25</b>	End of Series One Barbecue at J World Annapolis
<b>JULY 2</b>	NO RACING
<b>JULY 9 - AUGUST 27</b>	Series Two races (J/22, J/24, J/70, J/80)
<b>AUGUST 27</b>	End of Season Barbecue at J World Annapolis

**5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available by May 1, 2026 on the regatta event page at:

<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/3i3RilsX7W>.

**6. VENUE**

Racing will be held in the mouth of the Severn River as described in the Sailing Instructions.

**7. THE COURSES**

7.1. Course One will be a Windward / Leeward course with a start / finish line in the middle of the course as described in the Sailing Instructions.

7.2. Course Two will be a Windward / Leeward course with the leeward mark above the start line as described in the Sailing Instructions.

**8. PENALTY SYSTEM**

8.1. All protests and hearings will be held virtually. Please see the 2025 TNR Hearing Procedures document on the Official Notice Board for additional information.

**9. SCORING**

- 9.1. The scoring system is the Low Point System (Rule A4) as modified below.
- 9.2. For the J/22, J/24, J/70, and J/80 classes, each race will be scored as a race in either Series One or Two. There will be a Combined Series that combines all races in both Series One and Two. The Lightning class will have only a combined score.
- 9.3. Rule A2.1 is modified so the number of discarded races per series will be per the table below. The balance of A2.1 remains in effect.

<b># OF RACES SAILED</b>	<b># OF DISCARD RACES</b>
<b>4 OR LESS</b>	0
<b>≥ 5 AND &lt; 10</b>	1
<b>≥ 10 AND &lt; 15</b>	2
<b>≥ 15 AND &lt; 20</b>	3
<b>≥ 20 AND &lt; 25</b>	4
<b>≥ 25 AND &lt; 30</b>	5
<b>≥ 30 AND &lt; 35</b>	6
<b>≥ 35</b>	7

- 9.4. Rule A5.2 is modified so that a boat that did not start, did not finish, did not sail the course, retired, or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of finishers in that race.

**10. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 10.1. 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 are not available to all boats. This includes mobile phones.
- 10.2. DP All boats shall monitor the VHF channel for their race circle as specified in the Sailing Instructions.

**11. PRIZES**

- 11.1. Prizes for Series One, Series Two, and combined Overall, for first through third place in each class, will be awarded. Other awards may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 11.2. The Lightning class will each have Overall awards and no series awards.

**12. MEDIA RIGHTS**

Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts grant, at no costs to the organizers, sponsors, regatta photographers, videographers, and affiliated companies the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material, and representations of the boats in any media worldwide (including but not limited to television, video, print, social media, and electronic media) for the purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding the event and all participants therein.

**13. WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The

Organizing Authority, J World Annapolis, Ullman Sails, Severn Sailing Association, Partners, Sponsors, Volunteers, Agents, Employees and Service Providers, the Race Committee and the Principal Race Officer 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. This applies to both on-the-water and land-based activities. By participating in this event, each competitor (owners, skippers, and crews) agrees to release the race organizers and all persons and groups listed above from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in the event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**14. 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.

**15. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact J World Annapolis. The Thursday Night Racing web page is: <http://jworldannapolis.com/annapolis-sailing-courses/racing/thursday-night-racing/>.

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