



**2025 J/24 South American Championship**  
**Yacht Club de Chile, the International J/24 Class Association, the**  
**Chilean**  
**National J/24 Class Association**  
**27 – 30 November 2025**  
**Vina del Mar, V Region, Chile**  
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**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI's)**

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 (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The Regatta Regulations of the IJCA (IJCA RR) available at <http://www.j24class.org/rules-regulations/regatta-regulations>, shall apply.
- 1.3 No national prescriptions shall apply.
- 1.4 RRS 41 shall apply from the time a boat leaves her mooring for the first race of each day and until she returns to her mooring after her last race of the day, except in an emergency. This changes the preamble to Part 4 rules.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.6 RRS 60.2.(a).(1) 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.
- 1.7 The international jury may impose penalties less than disqualification (DPI), for violations of the class rules and racing rules other than those of Part 1 and Part 2. A DPI penalty shall be a minimum of 5% as calculated in RRS 44.3.
- 1.8 Class rules change(s) as permitted by the IJCA Class Rules (CR), Section H:
  - (a) Class rule C.2.1(b) is replaced with class rule H.4.3 that allows limited, declared crew substitution.
  - (b) Class rule C.10.2 is replaced by class rule H.2 that allows a spare spinnaker with restrictions.

**2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 1000 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.

### 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be published on the official notice board online and located at the event website: <https://yachtclubdechile.cl/blog/sudamericano-i24-2025/>  
Unofficial and/or courtesy notices may also occur in the competitors WhastApp group at <https://chat.whatsapp.com/J1o6NuYO6DZ8lLc6UiCoJz>



- 3.2 The Race Office will be at “Camara del Navegante” in YCCH.
- 3.3 On the water the race committee intends to communicate with competitors on VHF channel 72.
- 3.4 Signals, flags and boards displayed on race committee vessels are the primary means of conducting the racing, any lack of VHF communication to the fleet will not be grounds for redress under RRS 61.4 (b) (1).
4. **[NP][DP] ADVERTISING, BOW NUMBERS AND EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**
- 4.1 Each boat shall display on the backstay and not lower than 150 mm of the deck level an event flag provided by the organising authority at the equipment Inspection.
- 4.2 **[NP][DP]** Bow numbers will be assigned to each boat and used as identification for the boat during the event. Bow numbers shall be applied by a team from the organizing committee, and shall remain affixed until after a boat hauls out at the end of the event.
- 5 **[DP] CODE OF CONDUCT**
- 5.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 5.2 Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment and place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.
- 6 **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**
- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Official Flag pole at the “Terrace Yacht Club”.
- 6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 60 minutes’ in Race Signals AP. This changes Race Signals AP.

## 7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 7.1

DAY	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Wednesday	26 November	1500	Practice Race
		1800	All boats afloat (see SI 24.1)
Thursday	27 November	1100	Open Ceremony and Competitors Briefing
		1400	Warning for First Race of the day
Friday	28 November	1300	Warning for First Race of the day
Saturday	29 November	1300	Warning for First Race of the day
Sunday	30 November	1200	Warning for First Race of the day

**7.2** Twelve (12) races are schedule over four (4) consecutive days.

**7.3** Three races are scheduled per day.

**7.4** If the event is behind schedule, races to a maximum of four (4) races may be sailed in a single day providing the race committee's intention is made according to the provisions of the SI 2.1. Changes to the schedule of races will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).

## 8 CLASS FLAGS

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

## 9 RACING AREA

**9.1** SI Addendum A shows the location of the racing area.

## 10 COURSES

**10.1** The course to be sailed will be windward/leeward with 4 (LA2) or 5 legs (WA3). The diagrams in SI Addendum B shows the courses configuration.

**10.2** No later than the warning signal, the main race committee vessel will display the course designator, the approximate compass bearing and distance to the first mark. The race committee may also broadcast this information. Failure to broadcast or to receive this information does not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).

**10.3** An offset mark (designated mark 1a) will be used in conjunction with mark 1. The offset mark will be placed to the left of the weather mark (looking upwind) at approximately a right angle to the weather leg and approximately 10-15 boat lengths to port of mark 1.

**10.4** Mark 2 will be a gate consisting of two marks (mark 2P and mark 2S). If the gate is not present, mark 2 shall be rounded to port. Except when there is a change of course, the gate will be positioned approximately to windward of the race committee signal vessel at a distance at the discretion of the race committee. Leeward gate marks 2S & 2P may not be laid until after the starting signal.

**10.5** No WA3 course will be shortened to less than four legs in length, and no LA2 course will be shortened to less than three legs in length. For purpose of this SI only, the distance between mark 1 and the offset mark 1a will not be regarded as a leg of the course. This changes RRS 32.

## 11 MARKS

### 11.1

Mark Designation	Original Mark	Change Mark
1	Orange inflatable	Pink inflatable
2S, 2P	Red inflatable	Not applicable
1a	Yellow inflatable	Not applicable
Starting Marks	RC vessels displaying orange flags or red inflatable	Not applicable
Finishing Marks	RC vessels displaying blue flags or green inflatable	Not applicable

## 12 THE START

**12.1** Races will be started using RRS 26.

**12.2** To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed on committee vessel(s), with one sound, five minutes before the warning signal.

**12.3** The starting line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the main committee vessel at the starboard end and:

- a) a mast displaying an orange flag on the pin end committee vessel at the port end or
- b) the course side of a starting mark as defined in 11.1.

**12.4** **[NP]** A boat that does not start within 6 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A5.1 and A5.2.

**12.5** In addition to the procedures in RRS 29.1, 30.3 & 30.4, the race committee may announce on VHF the bow numbers or sail numbers of boats that were over the line (OCS, UFD or BFD), but not sooner than 1 minute after the start. Failure to make or receive such transmissions is not grounds for redress under RRS 61.4 (b)(1). This changes RRS 29.1.

**12.6** If a general recall is signalled or the race is abandoned after the starting signal, the bow numbers of boats that have broken RRS 30.4 (BFD) shall be displayed on the main race committee vessel, they will be displayed for a minimum of 5 minutes.

## 13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

**13.1** While boats are racing the race committee may change the windward leg of the course, the race committee will lay new change mark 1 as per RRS 33. The race committee will remove the original marks as soon as practicable.

**13.2** When mark 1 has been changed, mark 1a is no longer a mark of the course. It will be removed as soon as practicable. This changes RRS 33.

**13.3** Mark moves of less than 100m, may be made without signalling the change, this changes RRS 33.

## 14 THE FINISH

**14.1** The finishing line will be between a mast displaying a blue flag on the committee vessel and:

- a) a mast displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel at the other end, or
- b) the course side of the finish mark as defined in 11.1 at the other end.

## 15 PENALTY SYSTEM

**15.1** All scoring penalties shall be calculated as directed in RRS 44.3(c).

**15.2** 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."

**15.3** 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

**15.4** RRS Appendix P applies as modified below.

- a) RRS App P1.1 is changed to read: Observers shall be members of the jury and act in accordance with rule P1.2;
- b) RRS App P2.1 is changed to read, “two-turns penalty” is changed to “one-turn penalty”;
- c) RRS App P2.2, P2.3 shall not apply.

**15.5** A boat protested for a violation of CR C.5.1 or C.5.2 by the technical committee may accept a scoring penalty of 10% by completing a penalty acceptance form available at the race office within the protest time limit, else the boat will be protested.

**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	20 minutes after 1 <sup>st</sup> boat sails the course and finishes

**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.

**16.4** Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

**17 HEARING REQUESTS**

**17.1** The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal vessel docks. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

**17.2** Hearing requests shall be submitted by forms at the race office located at “Camara del Navegante” in YCCH.

**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 at “Sala de Directorio” in YCCH, beginning as soon as possible, after posting.

**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 – See NoR 13**

**19 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**19.1** [NP] 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** Boats failing to comply with SI 20.1 or 20.2 will receive a 20% scoring penalty as calculated in RRS 44.3(c) without a hearing as permitted by RRS 60.5(b)(3). This changes RRS 35, A 4 and A 5.1.

**20 [DP] REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

**20.1** Substitution of competitors is not allowed except as permitted under SI 1.8(a) or with prior written approval of the technical committee in case of illness or emergency.

**20.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the technical committee chair. 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, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

## **22 OFFICIAL VESSELS**

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

Race Committee	Flag with "CR" (Black letters on a white background)
International Jury	Flag with "J". (Black letter on a white background)
Technical Committee	Flag with "PRO" (Black letters on a white background)
Press	Flag with "PRESS" (Green letters on a white background)

## **23 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS**

- 23.1** All support persons and support person vessels shall stay 100 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.

## **24 [NP][DP] TRASH DISPOSAL**

- 24.1** Competitors shall not intentionally dispose of trash in the water. Trash shall be held for proper disposal.

## **25 BERTHING – See NoR 16**

- 25.1** [NP][DP] To comply with SI 7.1 (afloat by 1800 on 26 November 2025), boats must go on the water not earlier than 1000 on 25 November but as soon as finished the equipment inspection and on the same order of it. Failure to do so or delay on the process may be ground for a protest by the protest committee.

## **26 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS – See NoR 17**

## **27 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS – See NoR 18**

## **28 PRIZES – See NoR 19**

## **29 RISK STATEMENT – See NoR 20**

- 29.1** RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes**

## **30 MEDIA RIGHTS – See NoR 21**

## **31 COMPETITOR DRONES**

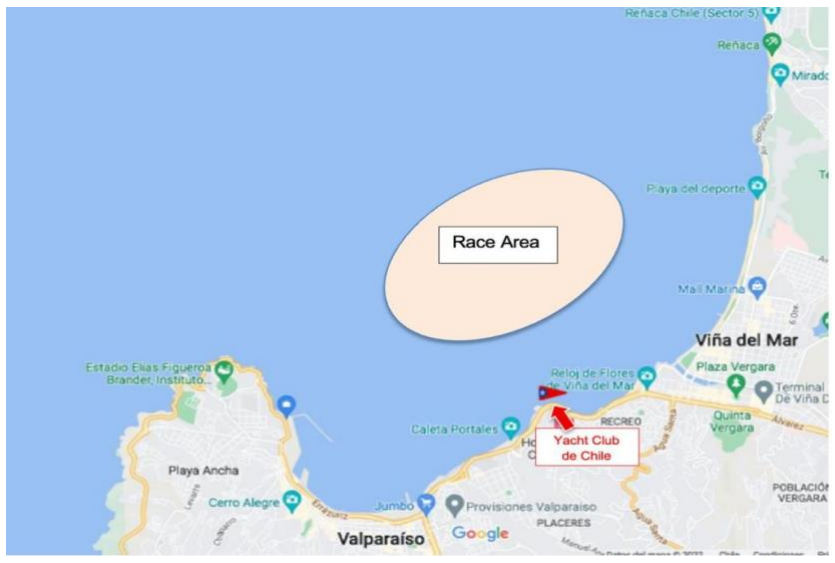
- 31.1** [DP] Teams or their representatives shall not fly drones over the venue or over the race area during training or racing days without complying with local legislation and without prior written approval of the organising authority.

- 31.2** The approval granted at the sole discretion of the organising authority may impose limitations on where and when drones may fly and will appear on the official notice board.

**31.3** At any time, the risk and responsibility for flying any drone is with the person flying the drone and images made inside the race area shall be shared with the organising authority, race committee, competitors or protest committee upon reasonable request.

**32. DATA PROTECTION – See NoR 24**

## ADDENDUM A – RACE AREA



## ADDENDUM B – COURSES DIAGRAM

### LA

**Course: Leeward finish**

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
<b>LA2</b>	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
<b>LA3</b>	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
<b>LA4</b>	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish

### WA

**Course: Windward Finish**

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
<b>WA2</b>	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish
<b>WA3</b>	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish
<b>WA4</b>	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish