



J/109 North American Championship
Larchmont Yacht Club
October 11-14, 2018



The organizing authority (OA) is the Larchmont Yacht Club and the J/109 Class Association

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The regatta is designated by the J/109 Executive Board as a “weight limited” event. Class Rule 6.2 will apply and Class Rule 6.1 will not. NOR 5 provides additional requirements for crew weight and associated crew declarations.
- 1.3 Appendix V1, Alternative Penalties, Penalty at the Time of an Incident, will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply as changed: At the end of T4, Arbitration Meeting Outcomes, add: (c) If a protest is not withdrawn after arbitration, the arbitrator will not be a member of the jury that hears that protest but will be permitted to observe the testimony presented and offer evidence. This changes rule 63.3(a).

2 ADVERTISING

Subject to World Sailing (“WS”) Regulation 20, Advertising Code, boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the OA.

3 ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY & ENTRY FEES

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the J/109 Class that conform to the Class Rules.
- 3.2 All skippers and drivers shall be current Voting Members or Associate Members of the J/109 Class.
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the Entry Form and submitting the required documentation via the event registration site (www.yachtscore.com) and paying the required fees.
- 3.4 The entry fee is \$950 for entries received by 1200 on Sept. 1, 2018. Competitors may register at any time before this deadline and defer the fee payment to Sept. 1 without a late fee.
- 3.5 Entry fees received after 1200 on Sept. 1, 2018 will incur an additional \$200 late fee. No entries will be accepted after 1800 on October 5, 2018.
- 3.6 The entry fee includes admission to all social events for the owner/skipper and registered crew members. Additional tickets for the social events may be reserved on the regatta website and will be available for purchase at check-in.
- 3.7 Competitors who withdraw from the regatta prior to 1800 on October 5, 2018 will be reimbursed for fees paid.

4 SAIL REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION

- 4.1 Sails shall be registered via the J/109 Class website at <https://j109.org/declare-sails/> prior to 1800 on October 5, 2018. The J/109 Class reserves the right to charge an administrative processing fee of \$100 for any sail declaration data not completed by this deadline.
- 4.2 All boats will be inspected to confirm compliance with the Class Rules. See NOR 6.1 and 8.1.

5 CREW LIST, WEIGH-IN AND CLASSIFICATION

5.1 The Class requires that a boat sail with the same number of people onboard each day. The weigh-in sheet will show the declared crew sailing each day

5.2 Each skipper, driver, and crew member shall have a current WS Sailor ID, available at <https://members.sailing.org/sailors/index.php>, and WS Sailor Classification, available at <http://members.sailing.org/classification/> and shall meet the WS eligibility requirements of Class Rules 2.2-2.4.

5.3 Initial Crew Declaration and Crew Substitution:

(a) The skipper shall declare the crew with whom he or she expects to sail during the regatta and shall enter the name, WS ID and estimated weight for each crew on the “owner’s corner” of the regatta Yachtscoring web site page prior to 1800 on October 5, 2018. The J/109 Class reserves the right to charge an administrative processing fee of \$100 for any crew declaration data not completed by this deadline. The declaration shall include the names, WS ID and estimated weights of any substitute crew that the skipper expects to use during the regatta, as well as the names of the crew to be replaced.

(b) If a skipper thereafter needs to provide for additional substitute crew, the skipper shall:

- (i) enter such substitute crew member’s name, crew position and WS ID on the “owner’s corner” page of the Yachtscoring website for this event, and
- (ii) notify a Technical Committee member in writing of the name, crew position, WS Competitor Classification and estimated weight of the substitute crew and the name of the crew to be replaced not later than 0830 on the first day on which the substitute crew will sail.

(c) Persons who sail as crew or driver on one boat during the regatta may not thereafter serve as crew or driver on another boat unless the first boat has withdrawn from the regatta.

5.4 Weigh-ins

(a) Initial crew are required to weigh in prior to 0930 on the first day of racing.

(b) All substitute crew shall be weighed in by a technical committee member or designee of the Technical Committee:

- (i) if practical, not later than 0930 on the morning of the first day on which the substitute is to sail on the boat, and
- (ii) in any event, prior to 0930 on the last day of racing.

If as a result of a weigh-in after a substitute crew sails on a boat, it is found that the boat’s crew weight exceeded the limit specified in Class Rule 6.2, the boat shall be protested by the technical committee and, if found in violation of this rule, may be disqualified from each race for which the maximum crew weight was exceeded.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
Wed., Oct. 10	0900-1900	Check-in and crew weigh-in, Pandemonium
	0900-1900	Boat measurement – see NOR 8.1
	TBD	Practice race with on-the-water coaching
	1930	Skippers Meeting, location to be posted on the regatta website
Thurs., Oct. 11	0800-0930	Check-in and crew weigh-in, Pandemonium
Thurs., Oct. 11 through Sunday, Oct. 14	1100	First Warning Signal
Sunday, Oct. 14	1430	No Warning after this time

Sunday, Oct. 14	After racing	Awards ceremony
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6.2 The series will have a maximum of 10 races.

7 EVENT HEADQUARTERS AND OFFICIAL NOTICES

7.1 Event headquarters will be at Larchmont YC.

7.2 The regatta website, http://www.larchmontyc.org/Yachting/Regatta_Schedule/2018_J109_NA will list the official documents, schedule, including the social events and other information as well as links to the regatta's Yachtscoring site.

7.3 Official notices will be posted on the notice board located on the veranda of the main club house, and online via the regatta website and the regatta's Yachtscoring website.

8 MEASUREMENTS AND INSPECTION

8.1 All boats must register for an on-board inspection appointment on the regatta website, http://www.larchmontyc.org/Yachting/Regatta_Schedule/2018_J109_NA. The schedule of inspections will be posted on the regatta website. Boats and sails may also be inspected /measured at any other time during the regatta at the discretion of the technical committee.

8.2 Changes or substitution of sails listed as those intended to be used in the regatta (including sails that are lost, damaged beyond repair or destroyed) may only be made in accordance with the class rules and with the written consent of the technical committee.

8.3 Additions, changes or substitution of crew 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 weigh-in. Changes to the crew lists will be posted on the official notice board.

8.4 Bow numbers will be assigned by the OA and given to each participating boat at check-in. Bow numbers shall be affixed to the hull according to the instructions provided.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available online at the regatta website, at yachtscoring.com and at the clubhouse no later than 0900 Wednesday, October 10, 2018. Copies will be available at check-in.

10 VENUE

The racing area is on Long Island Sound in the vicinity of Larchmont YC.

11 THE COURSES

The courses will be described in the sailing instructions.

12 SCORING

12.1 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores without exclusion.

12.2 Three completed races are required to constitute a series.

12.3 Scoring will include all boats. Additionally, a separate score sheet will display those eligible for the Corinthian prize, NOR 16.2.

13 MOORINGS

13.1 Boats are encouraged but not required to be moored at the Larchmont Yacht Club throughout the regatta

13.2 Moorings will be available from October 9 until October 19 at no charge.

14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

14.1 Except in an emergency, boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee, after consultation with the class measurer or his designee.

- 14.2 All boats shall be in the water by 1800 on October 10, 2018 and shall remain in the water through the end of the regatta, subject to the provisions of NOR 14.1.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 15.1 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.
- 15.2 The race committee intends to use VHF to broadcast courtesy information to competitors. The assigned VHF channel will be provided during the skippers' meeting, and any change will be posted on the official notice board. Competitors should monitor the VHF channel designated by the race committee.
- 15.3 Participants are encouraged (but not required) to use Race Qs at www.raceqs.com to self-report races for playback. A free account for your boat is required and a free iOS or Android app is required. A "J/109 North American" site hosted by Race Qs will be available to upload data and view replay.

16 PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes will be awarded to boats finishing first through fifth place overall.
- 16.2 A Corinthian prize will be awarded to the J/109 with the best series score where all crew, (including skipper-driver) are Group 1 competitors per the WS Sailor Classification Code.
- 16.3 Additional prizes may be awarded to participants at the discretion of the OA.

17 LOANER BOATS

The J/109 Class is coordinating with boat owners to make available a limited number of loaner boats for this event for use by owners from out of area who may not be able to transport their own boat to the regatta. Loaner boat assignment will be made on a first come, first served basis. In order to be considered for a loaner boat assignment, the regatta entry must be completed and the entry fee must be paid. The specific requirements and conditions for using a loaner boat will be between the boat owner, and the person who desires to use the boat. Should a loaner boat not be available, the registration fee will be refunded. Loaner boat insurance will be provided by the J/109 Class via the US Sailing Burgee program. Competitors will be required to deposit the insurance policy deductible amount in escrow, held by the J/109 Class. Should no insurance claims be filed, the deposit funds will be returned after the regatta. Contact Bill Kneller (president@j109.org) for information on loaner boat status and to apply for a loaner boat.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

By registering for this event, the owner and person-in-charge of the boat agree with the following:

- 1) My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read rule 4, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.
- 2) I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, nor their members will be responsible for:
 - a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or
 - b) any injury to my crew or me, including death, sustained as a result of our participation in this event.
- 3) I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by my crew or me as a result of our participation in this event, whether on the water or on shore, and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.

4) I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that my crew and I and my entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including carrying and using appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law, racing rules and that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.

I agree to be bound by all rules that govern this event. I will inform all crewmembers of the conditions stated herein for their participation in such racing.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta information, contact LYC Regatta Committee: racecommittee@larchmontyc.org

Marinas, Hotels and logistical information will be available on the regatta

website: http://www.larchmontyc.org/Yachting/Regatta_Schedule/2018_J109_NA

Larchmont Yacht Club is at 1 Woodbine Avenue, Larchmont, NY 10538, phone 914-834-2440.

Class Coordinator: John Greifzu, Jr.
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