

# All-Japan Middle Boat championships 2024 in Atami

Organizing Authority (OA): Japan Middle Boat Association

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Executive Committee

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Misaki Ocean Racing Club

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Aburatsubo Yacht Club (AYC)

Enoshima Yacht Club (EYC)\*

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Seabonia Yacht Club (SYC)

Zushi Marina Yacht Club (ZMYC)

Hayama Marina Yacht Club (HMYC)

Moroiso Yacht Owners Club (MYOC)

Yokohama Bayside Marina Yacht Club (YBMYC)

Spa Marina Atami Co.

Supported by: Atami City

Dates: September 20 (Friday) to September 23 (Monday), 2024

Venue: Spa Marina Atami (Atami, Shizuoka Prefecture)

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024.
- 1.2 IRC Rules 2024 Part A.B.C shall apply.
  - 1.2.1 Changes to the sails on board are permitted. (IRC Rule 21.1.5(d) and (e) will not apply.)
- 1.3 Offshore Special Regulations 2024-2025 Category 4 and OSR National Regulations shall apply.
- 1.4 The notation [NP] means that a boat may not protest another boat for a breach of the rule. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 1.5 The notation [SP] means the rules under which the Race Committee may apply standard penalties without a hearing. Guidelines for these breaches and the associated penalties will be posted on the official notice board. The Race Committee may also protest, in which case the penalty will be decided at the discretion of the Protest Committee after a hearing. For a standard penalty, scoring abbreviation "STP" will apply. This changes rules 63.1, Appendix A5 and A10.
- 1.6 Under World Sailing Development Rule DR21-01, change the definition *Start* as follows:  
**Start** A boat *starts* when her hull having been entirely on the pre-start side of the starting line, and having complied with rule 30.1 if it applies, any part of her hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the course side either

- (a) at or after her starting signal, or
- (b) during the last 1 minute before her starting signal.

## 2 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before the Check-In time on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hr on the day before it will take effect.

## 3 Communications

3.1 Official Notice Board will be on-line only and set up at [www.racingrulesofsailing.org/](http://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/) which can be accessed from following url or QR code.

URL : <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/8914/event?name=2024-all-japan-middle-boat-championships-2024>

QR code :



Official Notice Board

3.2 Communication with competitors

3.2.1 For communications from OA/RC to competitors, Line Open Chat will be used.

3.2.2 At least one person from each boat shall register on "All-Japan Middle 2024" Line Open Chat through the QR code below.

3.2.3 When registering on the Line Open Chat, profile name shall be:

「Boat's name Name」

「Roll Name」 (if you are an official)

3.2.4 Except in an emergency, boats shall not submit any message on the Line Open Chat except when they are to meet the requirements of SI 18.1 「Check-Out」 , 18.2 「DNC / Retirement」 , 18.3 「Check-In」



3.3 Race Office will be located at;

Atami onsen ryokan "TACHIBANA"

5-13 Showa-cho, Atami, Shizuoka 413-0022, Japan

TEL : 090-3222-2780 (Usuda: Event Chairman)

090-3348-9311 (Uchikura: Race Office Manager)

Dates and time open to enquiries by telephone call:

September 20 (Friday) 13.00 - 18.00

September 21 (Saturday) 07.00 - 18.00

September 22nd (Sunday) 07.00 - 18.00

September 23rd (Monday) 08:00 - 17:00

3.4 While racing, a boat shall not communicate with the support team except in an emergency.

#### 4 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole in the harbour.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

#### 5 Schedule of Races

September 20 Friday	13:00-18:00	Crew weigh-in	Race Office.
	-18:00	Sail Inventory change deadline	
September 21 Saturday	07:00-08:30	Weigh-in	Race Office.
	08:00-09:30	Check-out	Race Office
	09:00-09:30	Skippers briefing	Race Office
	10:25	First warning signal for Inshore Race.	
	18:00-.	Welcome party	Supa Marina special space.
September 22 Sunday	07:00-08:00	Check-out	Race Office.
	09:25-	Warning signal for Distance Race	
	18:00-.	Owners' Conference	Race Office.
September 23 Monday	07:00-08:00	Check-out	Race Office.
	09:25-	First warning signal for Inshore Race.	
	16:00-.	Award Ceremony	Supa Marina special space.

From Sep.22 onward weigh-in will be available at the Race Office.

- 5.1 The series is consist of 8 races (7 x Inshore Races and 1 x Distance Race) .
- 5.2 The number of races in a day will be at the discretion of RC.
- 5.3 The maximum number of races of Inshore Race in a day is 4.
- 5.4 On September 23 (Monday), no warning signal will be made after 14:00 hrs.

#### 6 [NP] [DP] Class Flags and Identification Flags

- 6.1 The class flag is "JMBA" flag.
- 6.2 Each boat participating a race shall display "JSAF Racing Pennant" on her stern (either on backstay, runner, stern pulpit or etc.) from the time of warning signal until her finish or retire.

## 7 Racing Area

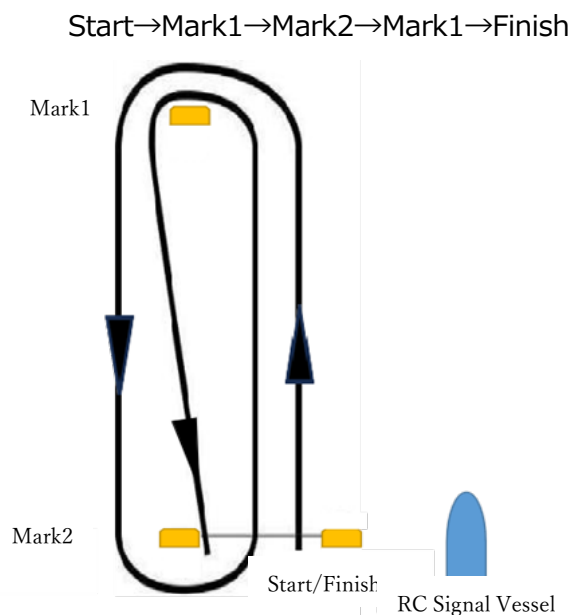
- 7.1 The racing area for Inshore Races will be in the water of off the Supa Marina Atami. Approximate location of RC signal vessel for Inshore Races will be 35°07'03.2"N, 139°07'35.2"E. However, this location is for reference only, and deviation shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 7.2 The racing area for Distance Race is shown in the Attachment 1.

## 8 Marks

- 8.1 The Marks 1 & 2 in Inshore Races will be yellow trapezoidal shape robotic marks ("Mark Set Bot": MSB) with "ENEOS" logo. Attachment 2 shows the appearance of the marks.
- 8.2 The marks in Distance Race will be a MSB located at 35°08'05.6"N 139°09'57.2"E off the coast of Mitsubishi Rocks, and a MSB located at 35°15'54.5"N 139°16'37.9"E 100m south of the Oiso South-West Hydrographic Observation Buoy. See Attachment 1.
- 8.3 Starting/Finishing marks are, when looking up windward, the Mark 2 on the port end of the line, and a MSB (the same shape as Mark 2) with orange / blue flag on the starboard end of the line. See Attachment 3.
- 8.4 New mark as provided in SI 11 will be green trapezoidal shape Robotic Marks (MSB) with "ENEOS" logo. See Attachment 2.

## 9 Courses

- 9.1 The course for Inshore Races will be a Windward-Leeward course with 4 legs.
- 9.1.1 Each mark shall be rounded to port. (anticlockwise).
- 9.1.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg.
- 9.2 The diagram below shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.



### 9.3 Distance Race

- 9.3.1 Attachment 1 shows the course. Start → a MSB laid off the coast of Mitsuishi Rocks (to pass on port) → a MSB laid 100m south of the Oiso South-West Hydrographic Observation Buoy (to round to port) → a MSB laid off the coast of Mitsuishi Rocks (to pass on starboard) → Finish. Approx. 30NM.
- 9.3.2 Starting / Finishing Line will be set approximately at 35°05'47.5"N, 139°05'39.7" E. This location is for reference only and deviation shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

## 10 The Start

- 10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 10.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark (MSB) at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark (MSB). See Attachment 3.
- 10.3 RC signaling vessel will station on the extension of starting line on the starboard end, signal the starting procedures and observe any OCS. The vessel will not be anchored but this shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 10.4 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 10.4 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF Ch73. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a broadcast, or the order in which boats are called will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

## 11 Change of the next leg of the Course for Inshore Race

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. When signaling the change, race committee will display the new compass bearing and the length of the leg. This changes rule 33(b)

## 12 The Finish

- 12.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark (MSB) on the port end (looking from the course side) of the line, and the course side of the starboard-end finishing mark (MSB). See Attachment 3.
- 12.2 RC signaling vessel will station on the extension of finishing line on the port end and observe finishes of the boats. The vessel will not be anchored but this shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a). See Attachment 3.

## 13 Penalty System

- 13.1 For Inshore Races, RRS 44.1 is changed so that Two-Turns Penalty is replaced with One-Turn Penalty for the incidents outside of the zone.
- 13.2 RRS 44.1 will apply without change for Distance Race.

13.3 When a boat starts in accordance with item (b) of the definition Start which is changed by NoR1.6, she may return to the pre-start side of the line to comply with item (a) of the definition of Start, but, if she does not the starting penalty shall be a Time Penalty. 5% shall be added to her elapsed time. To score such boat a scoring abbreviation "TPA" will be used.

## 14 Time Limits

### 14.1 Inshore Races

14.1.1 Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see rule 35 ) and Finish Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finish Window
20 minutes	90 minutes	30 minutes

14.1.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned

14.1.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes

14.1.4 Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes rules 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

### 14.2 Distance Race

14.2.1 Time Limit for Distance Race will be 16:00hr on 22 September (Sunday). Boats failing to finish within this time will be scored DNF. This changes rules 35, A5.1 and A5.2.

## 15 Hearing Requests

15.1 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

15.2 Hearing Request forms are available from the Official Notice Board on the RRS.org and shall be submitted online within appropriate time limit. Only when internet connection is lost or difficult, it may be submitted at the Race Office with the form available there in appropriate time limit.

15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Protest Committee Room, located at Tachibana Ryokan, beginning at the time posted.

## 16 Scoring

16.1 When five (5) or more Inshore Races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her Inshore Race scores excluding her worst score in Inshore Race and the score of Distance Race. This changes rule A2.

16.2 Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

## 17 Safety Regulations

### 17.1 [SP] Check Out

Boats participating the races on the day shall check out by completing dedicated form available from event web site and send it's photo to "All-Japan Middle 2024" Line Open Chat no later than the time specified in NoR 8 "Schedule".

### 17.2 [DP] DNC / Retirement form

Boats not racing on the day, boats checked out but decided not to race on the day or a boat that retired from a race shall notify so to "All-Japan Middle 2024" Line Open Chat, no later than the time specified in NoR 8 "Schedule" for boats not racing, or as soon as reasonably possible for others.

### 17.3 [SP] Check In

On returning ashore boats shall check in by reporting to "All-Japan Middle 2024" Line Open Chat within the protest time limit.

17.4 Rule 40.1 applies all time while racing. Competitors shall wear appropriate personal floatation devices in a manner usable anytime while racing.

17.5 [DP] In case any collision, grounding, or break down occurred that resulted in injury or overboard of the crew, or serious damage on the boat, the boat shall report Race Office including the information specifying the date, time, names of persons involved and the contact detail regardless any protest or request of redress are lodged.

## 18 [NP] [DP] [SP] Replacement of Crew or Equipment

18.1 Any addition or amendment of Check Out form or crew list shall be submitted within the required time each racing day.

18.2 Replacement of the crew between the crew registered in the crew list is permitted. However, replacement will not be allowed within a day, unless RC approves prior to the replacement for a good reason.

18.3 In case a boat has become unable to meet the conditions of participation due to an unexpected circumstance, such as illness, injury and etc. shall report Race Office as soon as reasonably possible.

## 19 [NP] [DP] Equipment and Measurement Checks

19.1 There will be no "Event Measurement" of the sails. However, sails may be inspected any time during the event.

19.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions. Boats may be instructed by a technical committee inspector on the water to allow the inspector on board the boat for inspection or to proceed to a designated area for inspection.

19.3 Every crew is required to weigh-in before participating a race and at that time produce an identification with a face photo.

## 20 Official Vessels

RC signal vessel is a white 33ft motor boat "CYGUNUS III" with JSAF ensign. Mark boat, Jury boat, Inspector boat and Press boat are boats identified by a white event flag.



## 21 [NP] [DP] Support Team

- 21.1 Support boats are required to register at the Race Office on the day before racing (boat type, boat name, person in charge, contact, Team name).
- 21.2 Support boats shall display identification flag supplied by the Race Office.
- 21.3 Support boats shall avoid the area where possibly affect the racing. Any breach of a rule by support boats may result in a penalty to the boat for which the support boat is supporting.



## Attachment 1

### Distance Race Course

Start → Mitsubishi Rocks MSB (to pass on port) → MSB 100m south of the Oiso South-West Hydrographic Observation Buoy (to round to port) → Mitsubishi Rocks MSB (to pass on starboard) → Finish



## Attachment 2

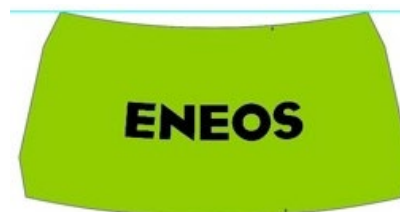
### Marks (MSB)



Mark 1 and 2

(Starting / Finishing Marks)

Yellow trapezoidal shape robotic marks ("Mark Set Bot": MSB)



New mark as provided in SI 11 .

Green trapezoidal shape robotic marks (MSB) with "ENEOS" logo.

### Attachment 3

#### Starting Line



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#### Finishing Line



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