

# Constitution of the Jet-14 Class Association

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## **ARTICLE I — NAME**

The name of the organization shall be the Jet 14 Class Association.

## **ARTICLE II — OBJECT**

- A. The object of the Jet 14 Class Association shall be to promote racing of the Jet 14 sloop under uniform rules governed by this Association and to maintain strictly the one-design features of Jet 14 sloops as developed by Howard V. Siddons.
- B. The purposes of the Association shall be charitable and educational, and it is formed and shall operate exclusively to foster national and international amateur sports competition (specifically in the area of sailing in Jet 14 Class sloops) with no part of its activities involving the provision of athletic facilities or equipment, all as provided within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended.

## **ARTICLE III — EMBLEM**

- A. The emblem of the Jet 14 Class shall be a simplified representation of a Jet airplane, as shown in the official sail plan.

## **ARTICLE IV — POLICY**

- A. It shall be the policy of this Association:
  - 1. To promote a one-design class of Jet 14 sloops in which to determine the racing skill of skippers and crew. To this end, everything in the Constitution, Bylaws, and Specifications shall be interpreted to insure competition in boats of identical design in all significant aspects.
  - 2. To co-operate with other yachting organizations in advancing the sport of yacht racing and to expect in return their strict observance of the rules of the Jet 14 Class.
  - 3. To maintain high standards of performance and seaworthiness of the Jet 14 while still keeping the cost of acquisition and maintenance of competitive boats to a reasonable minimum.

## **ARTICLE V — JURISDICTION**

- A. The Jet 14 Class Association has jurisdiction over all Jet 14 activities, and its rules govern all Jet 14 races regardless of the auspices under which they are held. The Constitution, Bylaws, and Specifications are binding upon all members and fleets, and all Jet 14 sloops shall conform to the official plans and measurement requirements.

## **ARTICLE VI — ORGANIZATION**

- A. The Jet 14 Class shall be organized as follows:
  - 1. Individual members shall join the Association in one of several categories through concurrent membership in the Fleet upon whose waters they normally sail. The power to accept or reject membership is vested in each Fleet, subject to refusal for cause by the Governing Board. Unattached membership shall be available to individuals outside the jurisdiction of an organized fleet upon application to the Association.
  - 2. Groups of individual members within each local sailing area shall be organized into Fleets. Such Fleets, chartered by the Association, are locally self-governing in all matters not in conflict with the Association. Each will elect its own officers, which shall include a Fleet Captain, a Fleet Secretary, and a Fleet Measurer.
  - 3. Groups of geographically contiguous Fleets shall constitute Districts, the boundaries of which shall be designated by the Governing Board. Each District shall be under the administrative jurisdiction of a District Vice President, whom it shall elect.
  - 4. The powers of the Association shall be vested in the Governing Board.

**ARTICLE VII — FLEET CHARTERS**

- A. A new fleet may be granted a charter upon application to the Governing Board by three or more eligible owners of three or more Jet 14 sloops. Each of these boats shall be measured and registered with the Association before or concurrent with such application.
- B. A new Fleet cannot be organized within the sailing territory of an existing Fleet except by specific approval of the Governing Board.
- C. Upon application to the Governing Board a charter may be granted to a club fleet wherein three or more Jet 14 sloops are owned by a yacht club, college, or similar organization. For such a club, fleet measurement requirements, membership obligations, and racing privileges shall be as specified by the Governing Board.
- D. The Governing Board may grant or suspend Fleet Charters for cause, but a Charter can be revoked only by majority vote at an Annual Meeting.

**ARTICLE VIII — MEMBERSHIP**

- A. An Active Member is a Corinthian owner or part owner of a Jet 14 sloop. He or she may hold office in the Association, vote, and skipper a Jet 14 in accordance with the Bylaws.
- B. A Junior Member is a person under the age of 20. He or she may skipper a Jet 14 in accordance with the Bylaws, but may not vote nor hold office.
- C. An Unattached Member is a person meeting all requirements for active membership except that he or she is not within the area of an existing Fleet. He or she is entitled to all privileges of active membership except Fleet representation.
- D. An Associate Member is a Corinthian part-owner of a Jet 14 sloop or interested non-owner. He or she may not vote nor hold office but is entitled to skipper a Jet 14, providing that the owner is an Active Member.
- E. An Honorary Member may be elected by the Governing Board in recognition of service to the Association. Such membership shall be for the calendar year only unless specifically renewed by the Governing Board. An Honorary Member may not vote or hold office but is entitled to skipper a Jet 14.
- F. Active, Associate, and Junior membership in a Fleet shall be restricted to Active, Associate, and Junior Members of the Association.
- G. Active, Associate, and Junior Members shall belong to the Fleet upon whose waters they normally sail.
- H. There are no age, race or sex limitations to membership.
- I. Active and Unattached memberships shall be retained until the end of the calendar year in which the member ceases to be a Jet 14 owner.

**ARTICLE IX — DUES**

- A. Association dues and taxes shall be defined in the Bylaws. Fleet dues, if any, shall be fixed by the Fleet. Both must be paid before a member can be in good standing in either.

**ARTICLE X — EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

- A. The Executive Officers of the Association are:
  1. **President** – The President is the chief executive officer and chairman of the Governing Board. He or she shall preside at all meetings, appoint special committees, rule on procedure and jurisdiction, summarize decisions, and authorize expenditure of all funds.
  2. **Vice President** – The Vice President shall officiate in the absence of the President and assume the office of President should it become vacant. He or she shall be chairman of the Development Committee and administrative officer of the Association.
  3. **Second Vice President** – The Second Vice President shall officiate in the absence of the Vice President and President. He or she shall be chairman of the Publicity Committee, supervise all Association publications, and be responsible for the coordination and publishing of the annual Regatta Schedule.
  4. **Chief Measurer** – The Chief Measurer shall be chairman of the Measurement Committee and shall be responsible for all matters pertaining to measurement of Jet 14 sloops. He or she shall supervise and instruct all Fleet and District

Measurers, review and validate measurement certificates, establish measurement procedures and requirements in accordance with the Specifications and Plans, and rule on all matters pertaining thereto. The Chief Measurer's interpretations and decisions shall be binding when issued, but must be ratified or rejected by the Governing Board not later than the Annual Meeting next thereafter. The rejection of a Chief Measurer's decision shall not be cause for appeal from the decision while it was in effect.

5. **Secretary** – The Secretary shall maintain current and active records of all Association business and correspondence, record the minutes of all meetings, issue registration numbers for Jet 14 sloops, maintain records of members and registered boats, and perform all other duties pertaining to such office.
  6. **Treasurer** – The Treasurer shall maintain the financial assets and records of the Association, receive and record all dues and taxes, deposit funds in a depository approved by the Governing Board, disburse funds upon approval of the President, and prepare annual and special budgets and statements.
- B. The above named officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting and shall serve through the following Annual Meeting or until their successors qualify. Each shall be nominated separately in the order named. The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected.
  - C. Nominations to each office may be made by:
    1. The Nominating Committee hereinafter provided for, or,
    2. Any Fleet in good standing by submission to the Association in writing 60 (sixty) days in advance of the Annual Meeting, provided that such nomination is signed by a majority of the Active Members of such Fleet.
  - D. Except as noted in paragraph A.2 of this Article, any Executive Officer position that may be vacated shall be filled for the remainder of its term by vote of the Governing Board.

**ARTICLE XI — DISTRICT OFFICERS**

- A. District Officers of the Association are:
  1. **District Vice President** – The District Vice President shall be a member of the Governing Board and shall have general supervision of all Jet 14 activity in his District.
  2. **District Measurer** – The District Measurer shall have jurisdiction over all measurement matters within his District, shall receive guidance and instructions from the Chief Measurer, shall report thereto, and shall, in turn, supervise all Fleet Measurers.
- B. The District Vice President shall be elected by vote of the Fleets within the District. Election shall be held prior to the Annual Meeting of the Association and the term of office shall coincide with that of the Executive Officers. Should any District fail to hold an election, as herein specified, the President shall, with approval of the Governing Board, appoint a District Vice President.
- C. The District Measurer shall be named by the Chief Measurer, normally but not necessarily, upon the recommendation of the District Vice President.

**ARTICLE XII — STANDING COMMITTEES**

- A. **Governing Board**
  1. The Governing Board shall consist of the Executive Officers, the District Vice Presidents, all past Presidents so long as they retain Active membership in the Association, *Jet Blasts* Editor, Webmaster, and not more than two Members-at-Large. The President shall be chairman.
  2. The Governing Board shall conduct all business and determine policy of the Association. It shall interpret the Constitution and Bylaws and serve as the last court of appeal in disputes over constitutional rights. Its rulings shall be binding and final, and it has the power to enforce its decisions by suspension of individual members or entire fleets.
  3. The Governing Board may revise, modify, or repeal bylaws, or pass new ones not in conflict with the Constitution, upon two-thirds vote of the entire Board.
  4. The Governing Board shall serve from the close of an Annual Meeting to the close of the following Annual Meeting.
  5. Under special circumstances wherein the Association may benefit from unique abilities and interests, the Governing Board, may, by majority vote of its regularly elected members, name not more than two Members-at-Large. Any such Members-at-Large shall serve from date of election through the close of the following Annual Meeting, and while

serving shall have all the rights and privileges of regularly elected members. The election of a Member-at-Large need not be ratified by the membership but may be overruled on petition by two-thirds of the active Fleets.

**B. Development Committee**

1. The Development Committee shall be appointed by the Governing Board upon recommendation of the Vice President, who shall serve as its chairman.
2. The Development Committee shall be responsible for developing new Fleets, guiding the growth of the Jet 14 Class, and promoting the general welfare of the Association.

**C. Publicity Committee**

1. The Publicity Committee shall be appointed by the Second Vice President, who shall serve as its chairman.
2. The Publicity Committee shall be responsible for all aspects of Jet 14 publicity, including the yearbook and the regularly issued news periodical *Jet Blasts*.

**D. National Regatta Committee:**

1. The National Regatta Committee shall have charge of the National Championship Regatta, shall be appointed by the President as soon as possible after assuming office, and shall serve until all matters pertaining to the Regatta have been settled. It shall consist of at least five, and shall include the Captain of the sponsoring Fleet as Chairman.
2. The National Regatta Committee shall have direct appellate jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to the National Championship Regatta, but its powers shall not extend to other matters nor shall it revoke or ignore Governing Board rulings or Constitutional and Bylaw requirements, It may institute hearings, question witnesses, and render decisions. It shall have the power to reopen a hearing because of new evidence at any time during its term of office, but all protests and business shall be disposed of before the Committee disbands. Dissolution of the National Regatta Committee shall serve as a limitation against the introduction of any further evidence, and shall guarantee the status quo of all decisions made while in session unless the Governing Board subsequently grants permission to appeal to the United States Sailing Association.
3. The National Regatta Committee shall appoint the various committees responsible for conduct of the Regatta, including the Race Committee, and shall generally supervise all officials and committees associated therewith.

**E. Measurement Committee:**

1. The Measurement Committee shall be appointed by, and serve under the chairmanship of the Chief Measurer. The Governing Board shall approve membership but, because of the technical nature of the duties of this Committee, the recommendation of the Chief Measurer shall normally be accepted.
2. The Measurements Committee shall consider all measurement and/or specification matters referred to it by the Governing Board or Chief Measurer and report its findings and recommendations to the Association. If so instructed, it shall draft proposed amendments to the Bylaws or Specifications for consideration by the Governing Board. Its functions shall be advisory only and it shall not supercede the responsibilities or authority of the Chief Measurer.

**F. Nominating Committee:**

1. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by and serve under the chairmanship of the immediate past Jet 14 Class Association President. No Governing Board approval shall be required for this Committee.
2. The Nominating Committee shall be responsible for providing a slate of candidates for the following Jet 14 Class Association Officers: President, Vice President, Second Vice President, Chief Measurer, Secretary and Treasurer.
3. The Nominating Committee shall make its recommendations to the Governing Board prior to the Annual Meeting. The Governing Board shall not change the recommendations of the Nominating Committee.

**ARTICLE XIII — SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

- A. Special Committees may be appointed at any time by the President or the Governing Board. The chairman, membership, and duties of any such Special Committees shall be specified at time of appointment.

**ARTICLE XIV — MEETINGS**

- A. The Annual Meeting of the Association shall be held during the Nationals Championship Regatta each year at a place and time designated by the Governing Board. Special Meetings by order of the Governing Board, or upon written demand of 25% (twenty-five percent) of the Fleets in good standing, shall be held at the place and time designated by the Governing Board.
- B. Notice of all Meetings shall be sent to the Fleet Captain of each fleet in good standing in time to permit action by delegates or proxy. For a Special Meeting, the purpose thereof must be plainly stated in such form as to permit voting by mail and no other business can be transacted.

**ARTICLE XV — DELEGATES**

- A. Each Fleet shall be responsible for selecting and instructing a delegate, or, if unable to send a delegate, shall designate a proxy to present its views and cast its vote.
- B. Any number of alternate delegates or proxies may be named, provided they are named in order of preference, and the first in order present shall be the only one entitled to cast the Fleet's votes.

**ARTICLE XVI — QUORUM AND ROLL CALL**

- A. Representation by 25% (twenty-five percent) of the Fleets in good standing shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.
- B. If a quorum exists at roll call, it exists throughout the Meeting.

**ARTICLE XVII — VOTING**

- A. Each Active Member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote.
- B. No more than one vote shall be cast by any one member.
- C. Membership books close 10 (ten) days before any Meeting unless designated otherwise by the Governing Board. Naming of Delegates, Alternates, and Proxies shall be made in writing before the meeting is called to order and cannot be changed thereafter.
- D. Any Member may be heard at any meeting but only accredited Delegates, Alternates, Proxies, and Unattached Members may vote. All entitled to vote must do so on each motion unless excused by the Chairman. A majority of votes cast shall decide all issues unless otherwise specified, and the President shall cast the deciding vote to resolve an issue.

**ARTICLE XVIII — ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- A. At an Annual Meeting of the Association the order of business shall be:
  - 1. Call to order
  - 2. Roll call of Fleets
  - 3. Minutes of last Annual Meeting
  - 4. Reports of Officers and Standing Committees
  - 5. Ratification or revocation of charters
  - 6. Ratification of Governing Board rulings
  - 7. Unfinished business
  - 8. New business
  - 9. Election of Officers
  - 10. Adjournment

- B. At a Special Meeting of the Association the order of business shall be:
  - 1. Call to order
  - 2. Roll call of Fleets
  - 3. Special business
  - 4. Adjournment

**ARTICLE XIX — SUSPENSION, EXPULSION, AND IMPEACHMENT**

- A. A member may be suspended by the Governing Board for violation of Association rules, for unsportsmanlike conduct, or for any other action unbecoming a member of the Class. The duration of such a suspension shall be fixed by the Board, not to exceed its own term of office unless extended by the succeeding Board. A suspension may be rescinded at any time by the Governing Board or by majority vote of the fleets in good standing. A suspended member may not vote, hold office, skipper or crew a Jet 14 sloop, or enjoy any other benefits of membership.
- B. A member may be expelled from the Association upon good cause by a two-thirds vote at an Annual or Special Meeting. Such expulsion shall be permanent.
- C. Any Association officers may be impeached by a two-thirds vote of the entire Governing Board for any act of commission or omission detrimental to the Association or its members. Impeachment shall serve to remove a person from office but shall not deprive him of his membership privileges.

**ARTICLE XX — AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

- A. The Constitution may be amended at any Meeting by a three-fourths vote provided that the basic principles of Articles III, IV, V, and VI cannot be changed.
- B. An amendment may be proposed by the Governing Board or by petition endorsed by two-thirds of the Fleets in good standing.
- C. No amendment shall be passed which renders ineligible a Jet 14 of a Member whose eligibility was established under the existing rules of this Association and whose status cannot be changed to conform to the proposed amendment. No retroactive amendments shall be passed.
- D. Notice of any proposed amendment shall be mailed to the Fleet Captain of each Fleet in good standing at least 30 (thirty) days prior to the date of the Annual or Special Meeting at which it will be considered.
- E. The Governing Board shall have the power to amplify, clarify, or interpret the language of any Article or Amendment.

**ARTICLE XXI — DISSOLUTION**

- A. In the event the Association shall dissolve, the Board of Governors shall, after paying and making provision for the payment of all the just liabilities of the Association, dispose of all of its assets to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable or educational purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as amended, as the Board of Governors shall determine.

# Bylaws of the Jet 14 Class Association

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## ARTICLE I — FLEET BUSINESS AND MEETINGS

- A. The Annual Meeting of each Fleet shall be no later than December 1 of each year, and results of the election of Fleet Officers shall be filed promptly with the National Secretary.
- B. The official language between the Fleets and the Association shall be English.

## ARTICLE II — DUES

- A. The dues of the Jet 14 Class Association shall be set by the Governing Board.
- B. Where a Jet 14 Class sloop is owned in good faith by more than one person, only one of the owners shall be required to be an Active Member. The part owner paying such sum shall enjoy all the privileges of active membership. The remaining part owner(s) are encouraged to become either Active or Associate Members. C. Dues are payable in April and are collected by the Treasurer.

## ARTICLE III — REPORTS AND RETURNS

- A. Each Fleet is required to file an annual report with the Association to continue its rights and privileges under its charter. This report is to include results of the election of Fleet Officers as required in Article I of these Bylaws.
- B. If the annual report of Fleet dues and registration of members has not been received by the Association on or before February 1, the Fleet becomes subject to suspension. Suspension applies to all members of suspended Fleets.
- C. Suspended Fleets, members and ineligible sloops may be passed by publication, and shall be barred from all Jet 14 races. They cannot be reinstated until requirements of the Association have been fulfilled.

## ARTICLE IV — ELIGIBLE SLOOPS

- A. A sloop is eligible and considered in the Jet 14 Class only if it conforms to measurement rules as certified by a Class Measurement Certificate, has been properly registered, and is owned by a qualified Active Member in good standing with the Association.

## ARTICLE V — SLOOP'S NUMBER AND NAME

- A. The official number, allocated to new sloops, shall be permanent, and marked on the hull as required by Article XVIII – Specification of these Bylaws. This same number shall be used by the Jet 14 Class sloop during its life. Application for registration shall be accompanied by a fee set by the Governing Boat which shall go to the Class treasury. Once a number is issued by the Class, it may never be re-issued, even if the hull is completely destroyed.
- B. The Secretary of the Association shall maintain a permanent record of each Jet 14 Class sloop showing name, number and ownership.

## ARTICLE VI — MEASUREMENTS AND CERTIFICATES

- A. No yacht shall be eligible to enter any sanctioned race for the Jet 14 Class until a Certificate of Measurement and registration had been granted to the owner of the said yacht. Said Measurement Certificate shall be filed in duplicate, one copy to be retained by the Class for a permanent record and the other to be held by the owner as proof of measurement and ownership.
- B. Qualified Certified Measurers will be appointed by the Measurement Committee. Their authority shall be restricted to the actual measuring and filing a report of same. No Certified Measurer shall measure his own Jet 14 except under supervision of a disinterested person appointed by the Measurement Committee.

**ARTICLE VII — APPEALS**

- A. The following are subject to appeal: Fleet decisions, decisions of club or special Jet 14 committees on class or racing rules in sanctioned Jet 14 events recognized to be under the auspices of the Jet 14 Class Association, class rules or restrictions in any race held for the Jet 14 as a one-design class
- B. The following cannot be appealed: Official decisions of the National Regatta Committee, club committees' decisions on racing rules in open or invitational regattas, except as provided in Article XII, Section D(2) of the Constitution. If an open regatta is an elimination race as well, the Association decision shall be binding insofar as the elimination score is concerned.
- C. Appeal in triplicate, or notice of intention, shall be filed with the President and post-marked within 10 (ten) days of publication of the decision from which appeal is taken. A deposit set by the Governing Board and payable to the Association, must be attached thereto. The appeal shall be typewritten, must state the Article and Section number of the rules alleged to be involved and shall give the name and address of the Race Committee Chairman and others involved. The President shall issue instructions on procedures, jurisdiction, and fix time limits on filing answers. In every case, time shall be determined by postmarks. Those failing to comply with such instructions shall forfeit all right to be heard.
- D. In deciding an appeal, the Governing Board shall consider the interpretation and proper application of rules and accept facts as published by the Regatta Committee or Race Committee that conducted the events, if such facts are available. If not the President may appoint a Committee to establish facts. Racing rules shall be decided under approved code, as designated in Article VIII.
- E. If the appeal is sustained, the deposit shall be refunded. If obviously out of order or unconstitutional, the President may so rule and return the deposit. If, however, it may be demanded that the Governing Board rule upon the appeal or any part thereof, then if not sustained or not granted a hearing for any reason whatsoever, the deposit shall be forfeited to the Association.
- F. There shall be no time limits on appeals over interfleet disputes of fleet rules or decisions claimed to be unconstitutional when the same do not result from an actual protest in a race. However, the usual deposit shall be required for hearing in such cases. Such appeals shall be heard by the Governing Board.

**ARTICLE VIII — RACING RULES**

- A. The official code of racing rules which shall govern all Jet 14 Class races held by the Association and units thereof, unless otherwise specified in the racing instructions, shall be that of the United States Sailing Association (*The Racing Rules of Sailing*) except where they may conflict with rules of the Jet 14 Class Association, in which event, the latter shall prevail. It is recommended that, insofar as practicable, the United States Sailing Association and the Jet 14 Class Association shall likewise govern all fleet races.

**ARTICLE IX — INSTRUCTIONS**

- A. Racing instructions and local rules in Fleet bylaws or published notice to its members, not conflicting with Jet 14 Class Rules, shall be observed. Fleet rules shall not pertain to intersectional or interfleet races.

**ARTICLE X — RACING RESTRICTIONS**

- A. Sails:
  - 1. The correct number shall be displayed on both sides of the mainsail and one side of the spinnaker in numbers not less than 10" high.
  - 2. The Jet 14 Class insignia, as specified by the Association, shall be displayed on both sides of the mainsail.
  - 3. No sails other than approved jib, mainsail and spinnaker shall be used.
  - 4. Honor awards, as per Article XIII of these Bylaws, may be displayed.
- B. Crew:
  - 1. There shall be two persons, called crew, in one boat in a race.
  - 2. All members of crews shall be Corinthians.
  - 3. In a given racing series, the crew may alternate as helmsman only if the crew is also a member of the Class. However, the starting helmsman in any one race must finish the race and changing helmsman during the race is not permitted, except in case of emergency.



4. One crew shall be registered for sanctioned regattas. This crew shall be used for the entire regatta, except in case of emergency, at which time written request shall be made to the Race Committee for a substitute. The final decision on this request will be left to the discretion of the Race Committee.
- C. Wind speed:
1. The Race Committee will not start a race if there are sustained winds or repetitive gusts of 20 knots or above. Determination of wind speed will be at the discretion of the Race Committee.

#### ARTICLE XI — OUTLAW RACES

- A. The enforcement of Class Rules is essential to the protection of all owners in a one-design class. Members are required to report to the Association any race held for the Jet 14 Class as such, wherein Class Rules are not respected and enforced by the organization conducting it, or where entries of ineligible yachts are knowingly accepted. A member who makes himself a party to such practice by knowingly, and after due warning, entering such outlawed events shall himself be subject to suspension.

#### ARTICLE XII — SANCTIONED EVENTS

- A. The Governing Board may outlaw any event for cause.
- B. All series for major Jet 14 Class Championships territorially greater than one Fleet, or event for perpetual, semi-perpetual or open trophies, must be sanctioned by the Fleet in whose waters the event is held if it is an interfleet event.
- C. The Nationals, Silver Chevron, Atlantic Coast, and all District Championships are designated as Class-sanctioned regattas. Participants must be members in good standing of the Class Association and boats must display the current Class decal.
- D. The National Championship Regatta is an open event until such time as the Governing Board deems it necessary to make this a restricted event. The method of determining the qualification for the right to enter the National Championship Regatta shall be set by the Governing Board.
1. The following rules shall govern the National Championship Regatta.
    - (a) Purpose: To determine annually the National Champion of the Jet 14 Class.
    - (b) Perpetual Trophies:
      - (i) The Perpetual Trophies shall be held by the National Championship trophy winners, until the next series, subject to approval and order of the Governing Board.
    - (c) Entries:
      - (i) The method of determining qualification for entering the National Championship shall be set forth each year by the Governing Board, and shall be announced before May 1st of each year.
    - (d) Home Fleet:
      - (i) The responsibility for arranging and providing proper facilities, prizes, entertainment, etc., shall rest with the fleet on whose waters the series is held. In this regard, the fleet must cooperate with, and be guided by, the Governing Board and the National Regatta Committee.
    - (e) Eligibility:
      - (i) Each yacht shall be certified as eligible by the Chief Measurer and by the Secretary of the Association before the first race.
      - (ii) All sails and spar bands shall be measured prior to the first race in the series. Sails will be measured in once, then officially stamped to avoid the need for remeasuring at future National Championship Regattas. Two suits of working sails, including spinnakers, can be measured, but only one suit can be carried in the boat. Only one centerboard can be used during the series.
    - (f) Protest and Hearings:
      - (i) Protests must be filed in writing in accordance with United States Sailing Association rules with the National Race Committee at headquarters within one (1) hour after the last yacht finishes the contested race, unless otherwise provided for in the racing instructions. All hearings and investigations shall be conducted, and decisions rendered, that day or before noon of the following day, except as provided in Article XII paragraph D of the Constitution.
    - (g) Notices:
      - (i) Official notices of hearings, decisions, rulings, changes in procedure and instructions shall be serve upon all parties, by posting on a bulletin board at headquarters daily during the series. By due notice, the time and

place may be varied because of conflicting conditions. responsibility of being at headquarters and seeing notices at given hours rests with the contestants and officials.

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- E. A Junior National Championship will be held each year to determine a junior champion. This will be an open event until the Governing Board deems it necessary to restrict participation. All rules of eligibility will govern this regatta the same as the National Championships except that the skipper shall not have reached their 20th birthday during the year the regatta is held. There are no gender or age restrictions for the crew. The skipper must be either an Active, Junior or Associate Member of the Jet 14 Class Association.

1. Perpetual Trophy:

- (a) The name shall be the Sindle Trophy.
- (b) The Perpetual Trophy shall be held by the winning skipper until the next event.

- F. A Women’s Championship will be held each year as an open event until the Governing Board decides it needs to restrict participation. Eligibility for this regatta is the same as the National Championship except the skipper must be female. There are no gender restrictions for the crew. The skipper must be an Active, Junior or Associate Member of the Jet 14 Class Association.

1. Perpetual Trophies:

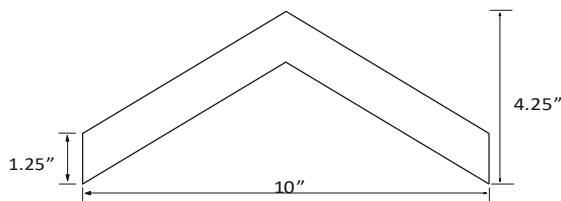
- (a) The Perpetual Trophies shall be held by the winning skipper and crew until the next event.

**ARTICLE XIII — HONOR AWARDS**

- A. Honor Awards in the form of chevrons or bars shall be displayed on the mainsail as follows:

- B. The chevron awards shall consist of the following:

- 1. Dimensions: 10" x 4.25" x 1.25"



- 2. The chevron shall be vertically stacked, apex upward, not more than three inches apart.
- 3. The number of chevrons awarded shall be as follows:
  - (a) Three chevrons for the first-place yacht
  - (b) Two chevrons for the second-place yacht
  - (c) One chevron for the third-place yacht
- 4. The following chevron colors shall denote the honor awards as follows:
  - (a) National Championship – gold
  - (b) National Open Regatta (now known as the Silver Chevron Regatta) – silver
  - (c) Atlantic Coast Championship – blue
  - (d) District Championship – red
- 5. Each Fleet may designate its Fleet Champion by the award of a single black chevron
- 6. The bar award insignias for the Junior National Championship shall consist of gold bars as follows:
  - 1. Dimensions: 1.25" x 10"
  - 2. The bars shall be horizontally stacked, not more than three inches apart.
  - 3. The number of bars awarded shall be as follows:
    - (a) First place – three gold bars
    - (b) Second place – two gold bars
    - (c) Third place – one gold bar

**ARTICLE XIV — OBLIGATIONS**

- A. The Association shall not be liable for any debts contracted by its Fleets or Officers other than expenditures authorized by the budget or upon written order of the President and Secretary.

**ARTICLE XV — LIMITATION GOVERNING PURCHASE OF SAILS**

- A. The purchase of new sails by Jet 14 owners shall be limited to one suit in any calendar year, except that one additional suit may be purchased for any Jet 14 during its first sailing season.
- B. In case of accident to sails, the owner may petition the Governing Board to permit use of an additional sail replacing the one so damaged.

**ARTICLE XVI — OFFICIAL PLANS**

- A. Official plans for the Jet 14 may be obtained from the Secretary of the Association at a cost to be set by the Governing Board (Article XVIII).
- B. Plans and specifications are subject to annual revision only as provided in the Constitution and Bylaws. These revisions will be published in *Jet Blasts* prior to February 1st of the current racing year.

**ARTICLE XVII — CLASS-OWNED MOLDS**

- A. The Governing Board shall have sole authority to grant permission for the use of Class-owned molds.

**ARTICLE XVIII — PROTECTION OF NAME AND EMBLEM**

- A. No boat may be sold properly, or entered in any race as a Jet 14, or at any time display the Jet 14 emblem upon its sail or otherwise, unless the registration fee has been paid by the owner to the Association. For the benefit of owners and prospective owners, the Association proposes to take whatever steps may be necessary to protect the Jet 14 name and emblem from unauthorized use.
- B. Registration granting the exclusive right to use the Jet emblem and the name “Jet 14” as applied to sailboats has been issued to the Jet 14 Class Association on November 12, 1957 by the United States Patent Office.

Revisions

- 11-nov-21 convert from pdf to docx
- 7-jan-22 more cleanup.
- Jan10 updated per bylaws changed voted by board Dec 5<sup>th</sup>.
- March 16 2022 edit per board vote mar 13 , remove jr+woman crew membership.

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