

SBYC SEASON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Centennial Regatta Qualification Guidelines - 2010

1. Entry

Any qualified boat shall be considered 'entered' in the Season Championship by entering one of the regattas listed below for its class.

2. Class Championships

PHRF, Melges 24, and New Classes

For PHRF classes A, B, C, D, and Melges 24s, the winner of the overall season champion will be the SBYC member with the lowest combined total score in the following regattas:

PHRF:

1. The Hot Rum Series
2. Opening Day
3. Wet Wednesday Segment
4. Wet Wednesday Segment
5. Fulmor
6. Wilson Series
7. Spring PHRF
8. Summer PHRF
9. Fall PHRF
10. Holiday

Melges 24 and New Classes:

1. Hot Rum Series
2. Opening Day
3. Wet Wednesday Segment
4. Wet Wednesday Segment
5. Fiesta Cup
6. Wilson Series
7. Spring One Design
8. Summer One Design
9. Fall One Design
10. Holiday

Each 8-week segment of the Wet Wednesday series will be considered a separate regatta. The three Hot Rum series will be considered a single regatta.

New Classes

New classes must have at least three boats compete in six of the listed regattas to be eligible for a separate club championship. A new class is not eligible to create an alternative scoring system in its first season.

J/105 and J/24

The winners of the overall seasons will be the highest-finishing SBYC members in the high-point systems approved by the local fleets. Throw outs will be addressed as agreed by the fleets. The season champion in each fleet will qualify for the Centennial Regatta. Each fleet will be responsible for scoring its own high-point system.

Club Handicap

The Club Handicap season champion will be determined by combining each yacht's finish from the H fleet and CHRF seasons. Boats entered by members of clubs other than SBYC will be removed from the H fleet scoring prior to this calculation. The lowest combined score determines the Handicap Champion and skipper qualified to race in the Centennial Regatta. *For example, if a competitor places 4th in the CHRF High Point, and 3rd overall in WW, its score is 7.*

2. Scoring and Ties

Entrants will keep their best seven regattas from the ten listed above. The other three *regattas* will be thrown out. This will not affect the scoring of throw out *races* allowed during the counting regattas. To be eligible for the season championship a competitor must compete in at least four of the above regattas. This minimum shall not apply to C or D Fleets. The season champion in each fleet will qualify for the Centennial Regatta.

For the purposes of season championship scoring, a yacht's place in a regatta shall be defined by the order of finish relative to her own class including non-SBYC boats. A yacht's final places in the counting regattas listed above will be added together and the throw out regattas will be removed to determine a season total. Any ties will be broken using RRS Appendix A8, "Series Ties". For CHRF/H fleet, the 'last race' in the series will be the CHRF series overall place.

3. Qualifying Series

The Season Champion in each fleet will qualify to participate in the SBYC Centennial Regatta the following spring.

4. Changing Yachts

An entrant may skipper more than one boat in a fleet during counting regattas in the same year. His or her scores will count for qualification purposes provided that the boats do not compete against each other in these regattas. Yachts will be scored based on the member who entered a regatta, regardless of ownership.

5. Changing Fleets

If a PHRF boat is placed in a class outside her normal rating range for a regatta, the boat will be scored as having sailed in her normal class for this championship. *For example, a single B fleet boat asked to sail in A fleet for a regatta will be considered its own fleet when calculating the Season Championship. If more than one B fleet boat was placed in this situation, the fleets would be scored separately for this championship.* This applies equally to other PHRF fleets, and to one-design boats racing within PHRF for a series, as well.

6. Alternative Championships

Any class wishing to use an alternative method to determine their season champion may ask their fleet representative to present a proposal to the Sail Policy Committee no later than the December meeting in the year before the change is to take effect. The committee will then vote to accept or decline the proposed change(s).