



SBYC Catamaran Fleet Racing Series Schedule And Notice of Race – 2017

DATE	Season Racing
7/1/17	July 4 th and Season Series 1 (rising, 5:11p)
7/8/17	Season Series 2 (descending, low 3:35p)
7/15/17	Season Series 3 (rising, 3:16p)
8/5/17	Season Series 4 (descending, Low 2:24p)
8/12/17	Season Series 5 (rising, 2:00p)
8/19/17	Season Series 6 (falling, low 3:27 pm)
9/2/16	Labor Day, Season Series 7 (falling low 2:40p)

1. **RULES** The regatta shall be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (the Rules); and the prescriptions of US SAILING.
2. **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY** – Spray Beach Yacht Club, 23rd and Bay Boulevard, Long Beach Township NJ, 08008
3. **CLASS** – Any multi-hull catamaran boat with a SCHRS rating – see section 8.
4. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
 - 4.1 The Fleet Racing Series shall be open to any eligible class (section 3).
 - 4.2 Eligibility for season series trophy (section 8.1) shall require participation in at least one fleet race committee
 - 4.2.1 For a two-man boat both skipper and crew shall participate in race committee
 - 4.2.2 A race committee substitute (or substitutes) may serve on race committee while the skipper/crew sail
 - 4.2.3 Any substitute for race committee must be approved by the Catamaran Fleet Captain or the Chair of Senior Sailing at SBYC at least 24 hours prior to Harbor gun (section 5.1 of this notice of race)
 - 4.2.4 Failure to meet the requirements of section 4.2 shall render the skipper and crew ineligible for season series trophies but not Labor Day or July 4th trophies.
 - 4.3 Eligibility for season series trophies require that the skipper or crew is an active member of SBYC.
 - 4.4 Registration: All participants **must** register no later than 1 hour before harbor gun of the first season race. Registration is online at <http://regattanetwork.com/event/14008> and must be completed in its entirety prior to competing or sailing in this series. There is no redress under section 62 of the rules or exception for this requirement.
 - 4.4.1 There is no fee for registering for this event.
5. **RACING SCHEDULE** –
 - 5.1 Harbor gun shall be no later than 11:30 AM local time, unless otherwise posted, announced at the skipper meeting, or by signaling ashore AP pursuant to section 4.2 of the Sailing Instructions.
 - 5.2 First warning signal shape shall be at 12:00 PM local time unless otherwise posted or announced at the skippers meeting.
 - 5.3 Skippers meeting shall be held no later than 11:15 local time, and no earlier than 11:00 local time, unless otherwise posted.
 - 5.4 No race shall be started after 2:30 PM unless otherwise posted or announced at the skippers meeting.
 - 5.5 When races are held on the days of the SBYC annual meeting (last weekend in June, and Labor Day weekend) the times of section 5.1- 5.4 shall read as follows, 5.1 = 12:30 PM, 5.2 = 1:00 PM, 5.3 = 12:15 PM, and 5.4 = 3:30 PM – *no additional notification of the time changes of section 5.5 of this notice shall be made.*
6. **MINIMUM BOATS TO SAIL A RACE** – At least two boats are required to sail a race, those competitors not racing or not starting shall be scored DNS pursuant to section 11.4 of the sailing instructions.
7. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** – The sailing Instructions shall be available online at



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<http://regattanetwork.com/event/14008>, and will be made available prior to or at the first skippers meeting of the season. Courses to be sailed, marks, modification to penalties under part 2 of the rules, shall be described in the sailing instructions.

8. **SCORING** – Three scoring and trophy series will be counted. In both cases the Low-Point Scoring System, Appendix A of the Rules, shall apply. All vessels shall be scored using the Small Catamaran Handicap Rating System (at <http://schrs.com>). Corrected times for each race will be calculated from the elapsed sailing time *divided by* the SCHRS rating and corrected times used to calculate the low point score. The series shall be as follows:

8.1 A season series – where low point scoring will be used for all races scored from all races completed in the season. Starting at the tenth race there will be one discarded race (excluded per section A2 of the rules) and each subsequent three races another race shall be discarded for each competitor in that season. Thus for the planned season of 21 races there would be 4 races discarded or excluded from scoring.

8.2 A July 4th race series, where all races held on the 2nd day of July shall be scored using a low point scoring system, summed and calculated for the July 4th trophy. No discards or exclusion shall be used in this calculation.

8.3 A Labor Day series – where races held on the 3rd day of September shall be scored using a low point scoring system, summed and calculated for the Labor Day trophy. No discards or exclusion shall be used in this calculation.

8.4 Races scored in 8.2 and 8.3 shall be counted towards the scoring for the season, as described in section 8.1 of this notice of race.

9. NOTICES, SIGNALS ASHORE, POSTINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

9.1 Notices or postings shall be on the SBYC senior sailing bulletin board on the main club house porch – Catamaran Section. All notices shall be posted no later than 60 minutes prior to Harbor Gun (section 5.1 of this notice).

9.2 Signals ashore shall be flown off the main flagpole at the main club house porch

10. **FURTHER INFORMATION** - Contact Andy Keller at 203-297-8412 (c) or 203-807-8034 (h) or by email at andy@cardioscan.us

11. **RACE RESULTS** – shall be posted either on the bulletin board (section 9 of this notice) or by email.

12. **INSURANCE** - Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$100,000 per event or the equivalent thereof.

13. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY** - Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See the Rules section 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after these races.