





## Ullman Sails ASMBYC CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA RULES

#### 1. Purpose

The ASMBYC Championship Regatta is an individual event to be sailed each year to determine a Santa Monica Bay Champion of Champions. It is also designed to promote Series participation and encourage representation from each and every member club. The competition will be sailed in the currently active handicap rating systems and One-Design classes. Entrants in this regatta may qualify through any of the accepted series or as a "wild card" as described below.

# 2. Series or Regatta Eligibility

A Series or Regatta shall be eligible to qualify entrants if it satisfies all of the following criteria:

- a.) It must be an annual Series or Regatta.
- b) The Series or Regatta must be open to boats sailing under an established handicap rating system such as PHRF, Cruiser, ORCA or One-Design classes, with consistent rating splits throughout the Series.
- c) The Series or Regatta must be sponsored by one of the ASMBYC member yacht clubs.
- d) The eligible Series or Regattas for each annual Championship are those completed in the 12 months following the preceding Championship.

## 3. Series Acceptance

The acceptable Series and Regattas are established by the ASMBYC and a list of currently accepted Series or Regattas is maintained by the Fleet Captain. [See Appendix]. Any ASMBYC member yacht club which sponsors a Series or Regatta meeting the criteria set forth in Section 2 [above] may petition ASMBYC to have that Series or Regatta accepted and added to the Fleet Captain's list. Each member club that petitions for a Series' or Regatta's acceptance must convince the delegates present that the Series or Regatta satisfies the intent of these rules with assurance that high standards of racing will be maintained. Accepted Series or Regattas may be reconsidered for qualification at the request of the Fleet Captain if they are suspected of being substandard.

#### 4. Entrant Qualification

Invitations shall be extended to yachts and skippers that have "Trophy Standing" in an accepted Series or Regatta. "Trophy Standing" is defined as having been awarded a trophy in the qualifying Series or Regatta or having placed in the upper one-third of a class or overall fleet based upon the total number of yachts which competed. For the purpose of qualification, a yacht and skipper shall be considered a single entity; except that in exceptional circumstances, by written petition of the Fleet Captain and at his discretion, a skipper may sail another boat. In order to compete, all qualifiers must be members in good standing of an ASMBYC Member yacht club or association.

The winning yacht and skipper in each class from the previous ASMBYC Champion of Champions Regatta will be qualified to compete in the subsequent ASMBYC Champion of Champions Regatta.

The Qualifiers from the Summer Week Night Series shall be the top twelve boats in the overall Series standing or the top third of each class overall, depending on series scoring. Where a series is not complete, the standings as of five weeks before the Championships shall be used to determine qualifiers.

"Wild Card" nominations are permitted to allow each member yacht club to submit one yacht and skipper entrant. This entrant must be a member in good standing of an ASMBYC club. The yacht club flag officer submitting a "Wild Card" nomination shall determine that the entry is a qualified Santa Monica Bay racer.

A skipper is defined as the person who owns or who has chartered the yacht in question. He is also that person designated as skipper on the race entry forms of the qualifying races. A charter is defined as a written or oral agreement between the owner of a yacht and the person who is to have control over that yacht during a race or series of races.

The decision of the ASMBYC Fleet Captain shall be final in regards to the qualifications of each entrant in satisfying the above requirements.

# 5. Ratings

The yachts entered in this regatta shall use current PHRF Area B, Cruiser or ORCA, ratings and proof of such rating must be provided with the entry form. If a boat is not rated in Santa Monica Bay, it may have a rating assigned that conforms with local area ratings at the discretion of the Race Committee.

#### 6. Scoring

The Low-Point Scoring System, with no throw outs, will be used.

# 7. Judges

The Championship Regatta will be sailed as a Class "B" Event. A jury of 3 to 5 judges will be selected to conduct protest mediation and to hear protests.

#### 8. Scheduling.

It is recommended that the Championship Regatta be placed in the yearly calendar without proximity conflicts with other competing events, specifically within one week prior to or following an eligible qualifying event.

### 9. Amendment of the Rules

These rules may be amended by delivering a copy of the proposed changes to the member delegates, at least 7 days prior to being voted upon. Amendments may be approved by a two-thirds vote of the member delegates at a regular or special meeting convened by the Commodore of ASMBYC.

## **ASMBYC CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA RULES APPENDIX 2014**

(Revised as of July 9, 2014)

# **Eligible Series**

The following Series or Regattas have been accepted as Qualified Series or Regattas for purposes of qualifying for the ASMBYC Championship Regatta:

WEEK NIGHT SERIES: (Standings as of Thursday, 8/18/11):

SUNSET SERIES CYC
TWILIGHT SERIES KHYC
HORIZON SERIES RBYC
JUNE CUP RBYC

## NOTE:

All Series or Regattas accepted as qualified are subject to annual review by the ASMBYC Fleet Captain and may be presented to the ASMBYC Delegates and Officers for reconsideration in accordance with the Championship Regatta Rules.