



Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC)
SEASON CHAMPIONSHIPS
Centennial Regatta Qualification Guidelines - 2013

1. Entry

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

2. Eligibility

- 2.1 Eligible skipper must be a member of SBYC who has skippered the yacht having the best racing record during the current year, in each fleet recognized by and raced under the auspices of the SBYC, per the Centennial Trophy Deed of Gift.
- 2.2 The skipper's name must be listed on the race entry form for races which determine eligibility, per the Centennial Trophy Deed of Gift.
- 2.3 The Sail Policy Committee will be responsible for determining the eligibility of each selected Skipper. The Skipper must have been skippering the yacht of selection during the majority of the local sailing events used to determine eligibility, per the Centennial Trophy Deed of Gift.
- 2.4 A fleet must compete in more than half of the events outlined in their season championship to be eligible to qualify a Centennial Regatta representative.

3. Class Championships

PHRF

For PHRF classes, 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. Wilson Series
4. Spring PHRF
5. Summer PHRF
6. Fall PHRF
7. Holiday

For PHRF Classes, the three Hot Rum races will be considered a single regatta. The five Wilson Series races will be considered a single regatta.

New Classes

For new classes, the winner of the overall season champion will be the SBYC member with the lowest combined total score in the following regattas:

New Classes:

1. Spring One Design
2. Summer One Design
3. Fiesta Cup

4. Fall One Design
5. Holiday

New classes must have at least three boats compete in three 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.

Fleets with Sail Policy approved scoring systems: J/105, J/24, Harbor 20, Melges 24

The winners of the overall seasons will be the highest-finishing SBYC members in the high-point systems approved by the local fleets. Discarded races 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.*

For complete details visit: <http://www.sbyc.org/CHRF%20Fleet%20Rules%206-9-2011.pdf>

4. Scoring, Throw-Outs, and Ties

4.1 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 only SBYC boats. A yacht's final places in the counting regattas listed above will be added together and the discarded 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.

PHRF

4.2 A boat's local PHRF buoy rating shall determine her fleet. The standard SBYC divisions for PHRF A and PHRF B will apply.

4.3 PHRF entrants will keep their best five regattas of the seven listed above. The other two regattas will be discarded.

4.4 To be eligible for a PHRF class season championship, a competitor must compete in at least four of the above regattas. The season champion in each PHRF fleet will qualify for the Centennial Regatta.

One Design

4.5 New One-Design classes will keep their best four regattas from the five listed above. The other regatta will be discarded.

4.6 To be eligible for a One-Design class season championship, the fleet must compete in at a majority of their regattas listed online at <http://www.sbycracing.org/series-explanations>. Scoring will be done as listed on this website.

5. Qualifying Series

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

6. 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.

7. 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 the 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.

8. 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).