SYC Handicap Open Fleet

Appendix A — Handicapping Policies and Procedures

1 INTRODUCTION

The Open Fleet uses the ORR-Ez handicapping system to produce ratings. PCS ratings will be used for scoring.

2 RULES

- 2.1 Open Fleet boats shall be keel-ballasted monohulls.
- 2.2 Boats shall meet all requirements of the ORR-Ez rules.

3 CERTIFICATION and REPORTING

- 3.1 Each member of the fleet is responsible for maintaining a valid ORR-Ez rating certificate for their boat. ORR-Ez does not require a full detailed boat measurement and is based entirely on owner supplied data. It is therefore incumbent upon each owner to be honest and as complete as possible when applying for their rating certificate.
- 3.2 If a boat has multiple valid rating certificates for various sailing configurations. The boat shall be registered with a single certificate and, thereafter, shall not change certificates during a series (Spring and Fall).

For boats with only one rating, changes in rating because of new sails will be allowed during a series.

4 RACE ADMINISTRATION

4.1 CLASS BREAKS

- (a) The fleet will be subdivided into classes as follows, the Fleet Officers shall have the final authority to assign boats to classes.
 - Class A is IR# under 650 and Empty Displacement above 4000 lbs
 - Class B is IR# under 650 and Empty Displacement below 4000 lbs
 - Class C is IR# over 650
- (b) If a waiver is required for a boat to enter a class, the class impacted has the right to vote on that waiver once the class breaks have been determined for that year.

4.2 SCORING

- (a) For PCS scoring, the RC will select the course type for each race using ORR-Ez Standard or Constructed Courses.
- (b) The RC shall choose the course type that most closely approximates the actual racecourse. If there is not a clear selection, the RC shall use Random Leg.
- (c) The RC will select the length of the course.
- (d) PCS will derive the implied wind strength to determine the order of finish.

5 PROTESTS and APPEALS

Course type and length selections made by the RC shall not be grounds for redress.

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Appendix B — Series Scoring

1 Introduction

The Open Fleet will host 20 total races. These races are divided into the Spring Series (10 races) and the Fall Series (10 races). Trophies will be awarded to the class winners for: the Spring Series and Fall Series. An overall fleet champion for the season will be recognized with a half hull model kept on display in the club.

2 Number of races

- 2.1 The Spring series will consist of ten races. No more than two races per day. The Mandeville race will count as two races. One for the race to Mandeville and one race for the return.
- 2.2 The Fall series will consist of ten races. No more than two races per day. The Leukemia Cup Regatta and the Allstate Sugar Bowl Regatta are part of the series.
- 2.3 In the event the full number of races is not met, there is no make-up race. (See Sections 4 and 5 (Scoring))

3 Race Courses, Dolphin Series and Mandeville

- 3.1 All races will be windward/leeward except the Dolphin Series and the Mandeville races.
 - (a) The Windward Leeward races will use near and far weather marks.
 - (b) Class A weather marks will be set for a leg distance of 1.5 to 2.0 NM.
 - (c) Class B will determine which course they will sail with A Class or C Class.
 - (d) C Class weather marks will be set at a shorter distance.
 - (e) The Dolphin Steeplechase races will have course lengths of 12 to 18 miles.
- 3.2 The Dolphin Series is a series of races imbedded in the Spring Series. A separate trophy will be awarded to the winner of the Dolphin Series.
- 3.3 Dolphin Races are:
 - (a) Spring Series Steeplechase Races (Race # 5 and Race #10)
 - (b) Mandeville Races (Races # 8 and # 9)
 - (c) All Dolphin Series Races Count for 1.5x points per position and will count toward Spring Series scores. Dolphin scores may also be used in the overall fleet champion high point scoring.

4 Scoring for Spring and Fall Series Class Winners

- 4.1 Scoring for the Spring and Fall series will use the Low Point System (LPS) as described in Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) as modified by SYC's General Sailing Instructions.
- 4.2 The Spring series is the best of six of ten races. If fewer than six races are sailed all will count.
- 4.3 The Fall series is the best of six of ten races. If fewer than six races are sailed all will count.
- 4.4 The minimum number of races to constitute a series is one.
- 4.5 In the event of a tie, the first tie-breaker shall be to re-score the tied boats with no scores excluded and, if a tie remains, RRS A8 shall apply except that no scores will be excluded.

5 Scoring for Overall Fleet Champion

- 5.1 The Overall Fleet Champion will use race results of the Spring and Fall series using the top nine races of each boat. Scoring will be calculated using Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) High Point System and modified with a percent of perfection calculation. The percent of perfection is to normalize race results with respect to varying size fleets in A, B and C classes.
- 5.2 The overall fleet score for each boat will be a percentage calculated as follows: divide the sum of her individual high point race scores by the sum of the points she would have scored if she had placed first in every race in which she competed; multiply the result by 100.

To be considered for Overall Fleet Champion a boat must sail a minimum of nine races. If less than eighteen were held, the minimum number of qualifying races will drop by one for every two race below the total of eighteen.

20 races sailed, count nine best races

19 races sailed, count nine best races

18 races sailed, count eight best races

17 races sailed, count eight best races

16 races sailed, count seven best races

15 races sailed, count seven best races

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