Carolina Sailing Club



2024 Championship Series

Notice of Race – Revised 1 APR 2024

1. Rules

1.1. The regattas will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2. Sailing Instructions

2.1. The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available online on the Carolina Sailing Club website at least three days before the first regatta. Visit <u>Sailing Instructions (SI) - Carolina Sailing Club</u>

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. Boats skippered by a 'Full', 'Sustaining', 'Commodore's Circle', 'Under 30', 'Under 21' or 'Student' member in good standing of the Carolina Sailing Club may enter by registering by 8 pm the day prior to the first race of the weekend event on the Scratch Sheet: <u>carolinasailingclub.org/scratch-sheet.html</u>. Registration on the day of the races may be made by notifying the PRO before 10 am. ("Good standing" means that dues are paid, the skipper is signed up for race committee prior to racing, and has met his or her two-day RC commitment by the end of the season.) 'Associate', 'Supporting', 'Winter' members, or non-members and guests may skipper for only one club weekend.
- 3.2. All non-member participants, including crew, must sign the Carolina Sailing Club Release Sheet prior to participation. Visit the CSC website to download this form <u>PRO Race Documents Carolina Sailing Club</u>
- 3.3. Two or more boats of the same design from a fleet recognized by the CSC Board constitute a class.3.3.1. Any other competing boats, not belonging to a recognized fleet, will be assigned to the Open class.
 - 3.3.2. All boats, regardless of fleet affiliation, constitute the "Overall Open" fleet.
 - 3.3.3. Qualifications for recognition by the Board are listed in the CSC Bylaws and begin with a request to the Commodore for recognition.
- 3.4. The fleets currently recognized by the Board are Flying Scot, Isotope, Laser, Thistle, and Weta.

4. Fees

4.1. There is no entry fee for any race in the Championship Series.

4.2. Access to the state parks require a small fee for daily access. Otherwise, an annual pass can be obtained from

ncparks.gov.

5. Schedule

5.1. The **Full Season Series** shall consist of all Championship Series races scheduled April through October.

5.2. Three races will be planned each race day for a total of 72 races. Twenty (20) races are required to constitute a

series.

5.3. Make up days may be scheduled. The race schedule and notices about rescheduled races will be posted on the

CSC web site.

5.4. The competitors' meeting and racing will be held for each day of racing:

JORDAN LAKE – VISTA POINT		KERR LAKE – HENDERSON POINT*
Competitors' Meeting	10:00	Competitors' Meeting 10:00
Warning Race #1	11:00	Warning Race #1 11:00
Subsequent races	back to back	Subsequent races back to back

*Note: July/Aug Only. PRO may waive the Competitors' meeting and opt for a 10 am warning signal and provide other additional information which will be communicated via email at least 24 hours in advance.

5.5. On Sundays no races will be started later than 15:30.

6. Venue

6.1. The racing area will be located about 0.5 mile from the launching area.

6.1.1. Kerr Lake: off Henderson Point.

6.1.2. Jordan Lake: off Vista Point.

7. Course

- 7.1. Boats will race around floating marks (generally windward/leeward configuration) as described in the sailing instructions.
- 7.2. Marks of the course will be described in the SI.

8. Scoring

- 8.1. The Championship Series will be scored using the Cox-Sprague scoring system as modified by these instructions.
 - 8.1.1. A skipper scored DNS, DNF, RET, DSQ, NSC, or OCS shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats competing in the race. A boat that did not compete shall not receive a score. This modifies RRSs A4.2 and A9, and Cox-Sprague. A boat that enters the starting area after her warning signal shall be scored as competing in the race.
 - 8.1.2. The Series score for each skipper will be the sum of her points in the Series divided by the maximum possible number of points she could have earned in races that she raced.
 - 8.1.3. A skipper qualifies for series trophies by participating in at least 45% of the races completed by their class. If the class does not have more than 2 skippers participating in 45% of the races, eligibility will be expanded to include skippers who have participated in 37% of the races. In such circumstances, the skipper who has won the most total races will be awarded top place, followed by the second total race winner, etc.
 - 8.1.4. For every 6 Championship Races in which a skipper participated, one race will be excluded.
 - 8.1.5. Isotope, Lasers, and Open classes will have their elapsed times corrected according to the Portsmouth Yardstick with wind-dependent modifications and/or crew complement adjustments.

- 8.2. Two or more boats in a class constitute a race. This modifies RRS 90.3(a). If only one boat is present in a class, that skipper will sail and be scored in the Open class for that race and will receive participation in its class.
 - 8.2.1. If just one skipper races in the Open class, they shall receive participation for that race, but no score.
- 8.3. Overall Series Champion
 - 8.3.1. In addition to class racing and scoring, all boats will be scored together as an Overall Series Champion.
 - 8.3.2. All boats will have their elapsed times recorded and then corrected according to the Portsmouth Yardstick with wind-dependent modifications and crew complement corrections.
 - 8.3.3. Classes with different starting times will be scored together for the purpose of the Overall trophy.
 - 8.3.4. If classes sail different courses in a race, that race will not be used for the Overall trophy.
 - 8.3.5. Scores will be compiled such that a skipper sailing different boats in different races has one set of results for the Overall trophy.

9. Prizes

- 9.1. Skippers in Board-recognized fleets will be scored for trophy purposes.
 - 9.1.1. A skipper qualifies for series trophies by participating in at least 45% of the races completed by their class, except as provided by §8.1.3.
- 9.2. Trophies will be awarded for each class based on the average number of skippers competing in the class.

Average number of competitors	Trophies
0.0 - 1.9	0
2.0 - 3.9	1
4.0 - 6.9	2
7.0 – 9.9	3
Each additional three boats	1 additional trophy

10. Penalty System

- 10.1 For all multihull classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 10.2 Appendix V1 applies. (The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule or rules of Part 2 or Rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.')

11. Safety

11.1. Wearing of life jackets is encouraged for all races.

12. Risk Statement

- 12.1. In accordance with RRS 3, each competitor is responsible for deciding whether or not to start or continue in any race and for the safety of vessel and crew. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, heat stroke or other causes.
- 12.2. Competitors participate in the races at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.
- 12.3. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, illness, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13. Further Information

13.1. Clean Regattas

- 13.1.1. CSC is pleased to support Sailors for the Sea's Clean Regattas program to restore ocean health.
- 13.1.2. Please recycle and dispose of trash responsibly.

13.1.3. Participants are encouraged to bring reusable water bottles and mugs for coffee to avoid using single-

use plastics.

13.2. For further information, please contact one or more of the following people:

CSC Race Operations: Andrew Bruch at <u>bruchandrew@gmail.com</u> or cell 919-604 4154 (txt or call)