



Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club

“2024 Fall Racing Series” September 1 thru November 10, 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority (OA): Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club
30 Yacht Club Drive, Beaufort, SC

1	RULES
1.1	The event is governed by the rules as defined in <i>The Racing Rules of Sailing</i> .
1.2	Life jacket and shoes are required for each sailor and coach boat crew member. Juniors (17 and under) are required to wear US Coast Guard approved personal flotation devices from the time they leave the dock until they return, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. All other competitors shall comply with RRS 40.
1.3	All coach and support vessels shall be equipped with a functioning engine safety cut-out switch (kill switch) which shall remain attached to the helmsman at all times while the engine is running.
2	SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
2.1	The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available by 1200, August 28, 2024 on the website: https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28549 . Additionally, they will be available on the BYSC Official Notice Board located on the clubhouse riverside porch and during onsite check-in.
3	COMMUNICATION
3.1	All support, coach vessels, keelboats and catboats shall carry and monitor a working VHF radio capable of communicating on standard channels.

4	ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
4.1	The event is open to all one-design dinghy boats 20' or less, catboats with a minimum LOA of 15', and Keelboats. BYSC members and non-members are invited.
4.2	The Race Committee reserves the right to combine dinghy classes. Keelboats will race with catboats if fewer than 3 keelboats are in attendance.
4.3	Eligible boats are required to enter by completing the online Registration Form and Waiver at: https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28549 Payment is accepted on Regatta Network only and must be paid prior to joining the series. <u>All competitors are advised to register in advance.</u>
4.4	Juniors (17 and under), including crew, if any, are required to have a parent or legal guardian fill out and sign the waiver portion of the registration form.
4.5	The Jr. Sailing Director will assign sail numbers before the start of the first race of the series to <u>all</u> boats registered without sail numbers. Junior and senior dinghy sailors are not permitted to change sail numbers during the series unless they are changing classes or have a defective sail. The Sailing Director and the PRO must be notified of any number changes before the start of any day's races. All boats must have numbers on both sides of their sails.
5	FEES
5.1	The entry fee for both series, or portion thereof, is \$35 for adult skippers or \$20 for juniors which will be due at registration on Regatta Network. All competitors are advised to register in advance so that the Race Committee can staff accordingly.

10	SCORING
10.1	Six races are required to be completed to constitute a series for each class.
10.2	Skippers must sail five or more race <u>days</u> to receive a final score in the series. This Modifies RSS A2.2
10.3	RRS Rule A5.3 shall apply. “Coming to the starting area” means sailing to the area of the starting line.
10.4	<p>If a sailboat cannot complete a race within the designated time limit specified in the Sailing Instructions (SI) for that particular race, it will be scored as DNF (Did Not Finish). All boats scored DNF, DNS, DSQ, OCS, and NSC will receive a score of one more than the number of boats that <i>finished</i> the race.</p> <p>It is important to note that this rule modifies Rule A5.2. The first sentence of Rule A5.2 shall be modified to read "one more than the number of boats <i>finishing</i> that race." This does not change Rule A2.2.</p> <p>Boats that receive DNC "Did not start, did not come to the starting area” will be awarded two points more than the number of boats that started and <i>finished</i> the race. This rule modifies Rule A5.2.</p> <p>If for whatever reason a registered sailor acts as crew on another boat in the same class to which that sailor is registered, that crew member will receive a score two points more than that of the skipper of the boat to which the sailor acts as crew. In no case shall the crew member be scored points equal to or higher than those awarded to boats that did not finish the race.</p>

<p>10.5</p>	<p>For dinghies the Rule A4 Low Point System will apply less excludable scores as described here. Throw outs for races completed: none if fewer than 6 races; starting at 6 races there will be one throw for the first six races and one per every 3 races thereafter. This modifies rule A2.</p> <p>Catboats and keelboats will be scored by their finish position, with the days finish positions averaged if more than one race is held. Finish positions will be adjusted by elapsed time and class rating. Throw outs for catboat and keelboat days of racing completed: none if fewer than 4 days, one if 4 days are completed and a total of two if 7 or more days are completed.</p>
<p>10.6</p>	<p>Sailors racing in SAYRA Jr Grand Prix events shall receive credit for any BYSC races missed while exclusively representing BYSC at SAYRA events and will be scored an average of all her BYSC series races sailed less throw outs. Throw-outs will be calculated based on the number of BYSC races sailed.</p>
<p>10.7</p>	<p>Competitors serving on the race committee will receive credit for the races missed and will be scored an average of all her series races sailed less throw outs.</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS</p>
<p>11.1</p>	<p>Mark and Safety Boats shall be marked with the US Sailing RC flag for ease of identification and safety purposes.</p>
<p>11.2</p>	<p>All support vessels are required to monitor the course channel on a VHF radio and be ready to assist with safety when requested.</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>RISK STATEMENT</p>
<p>12.1</p>	<p>RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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 or other causes.</p>

12.2	Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the series.
13	PRIZES
13.1	Prizes will be awarded based on the number of boats of each class sailing 5 or more race days, as follows: 1st place for two boats; 1st & 2nd places for four boats; 1st, 2nd and 3rd places for 5 or more boats.
14	FURTHER INFORMATION
14.1	<p>For further information contact:</p> <p>Read Clarke –Fleet Captain, PRO readclarke@gmail.com</p> <p>Noah Kipar – BCSB Sailing Director sailingdirector@beaufortsailing.com</p> <p>Richard Beesley - Racing Committee Chairman beesley.richard@gmail.com</p> <p>Paul Kowalski - BYSC General Manager gm@byscnet.com 843.522.8216</p> <p>Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club 30 Yacht Club Drive Beaufort, SC 29907 843.522.8216</p>

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