

Northern California Winter Optimist Series 2009-2010 Notice of Series

1. Regatta Dates and Hosts:

- #1 September 19-20, 2009 @ SFYC
- #2 October 24-25, 2009 @ PYSF
- #3 December 12-13, 2009 @ StFYC
- #4 February 20-21, 2010 @ EYC
- #5 April 17-18, 2010 @ SFYC

2. Eligibility, Entry & Entry Fee

2.1 Each participant shall be under 16 years of age during the entire series and must be a member or participant in a California Youth Sailing Program.

2.2 Entries for the 2009-2010 Series must be filed with the Series Chairman along with entry fee for the series. An entry with each individual host club must also be completed for each individual Regatta in accordance with the Notice of Race for each event.

2.2.1 A participant may enter the 2009-2010 Series at the first or second scheduled Regatta but no later than the start of the first race of the second Regatta. Participants may enter any Regatta after the first two but will not be scored for the Series. There will be a \$10.00 Series entry fee payable to BAYS.

3. Rules

3.1 Each Regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, the USODA Class Rules, this Notice of Series and Sailing Instructions issued by each Host venue.

3.2 Decisions of the jury or protest committee are final.

4. Scoring

4.1 The Low Point Scoring System, rule A2, will apply with 25 or more races scheduled. A "Did Not Compete" (DNC) is defined as not registering for a Regatta and shall be scored the number of entries in the Series plus one. A "Did Not Finish" (DNF), "Disqualified" (DSQ) and "Did Not Start" (DNS) will be based on the total number of Series starters in each individual Regatta.

4.1.1 Series scoring shall be based on the official results of each race tabulated only against other Series entrants.

4.2 Throwout races will be incorporated into the Series scoring with the following formulas:

If 25-29 races are completed, there will be 5 throwouts.

If 30-34 races are completed, there will be 6 throwouts.

If 35-39 races are completed, there will be 7 throwouts.

If 40 or more races are completed, there will be 8 throwouts.

4.3 Sail number changes in any regatta must be reported to and approved by the Series Chairman (or representative) and reported to the race committee prior to the skippers meeting for that Regatta for those races to be scored in the Series.

5. Information:

For more information contact each Regatta Host:

SFYC - youth@sfyc.org

PYSF - hiker4u@aol.com

StFYC - junior@stfyc.com

EYC - juniors@encinal.org

Or the Series Chair:

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