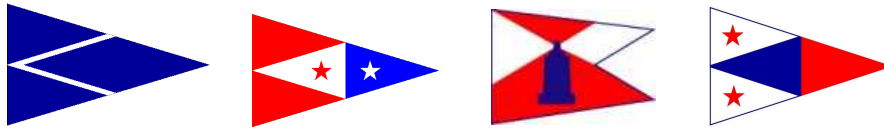


HARKEN®



2017 Harken Challenge Series

Notice of Series

1. RULES

The series will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the Optimist Class Rules, this Notice of Series, and the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions issued by each host club.

2. ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

2.1 Competitors shall have been born on or after January 1, 2002.

2.2 Competitors must enter each individual regatta separately. A competitor will be automatically entered in the series by sailing in the first or second scheduled regatta, and sailing in two or more of the four regattas.

2.3 Competitors must be members in good standing of the United States Optimist Dinghy Class. Membership can be obtained on the USODA Class website at www.USODA.org. Class membership information will be verified.

3. FEES

There is no series entry fee, but each host club will charge a regatta entry fee.

4. HOST CLUBS & SCHEDULE

Harken #1 @ Opti Spring Series at California YC, February 25-26

Harken #2 @ NorCal Winter Series at The San Francisco YC, April 8-9

Harken #3 @ Eli Rueben Memorial Regatta at Cabrillo Beach YC, May 20-21

Harken #4 @ Heavy Weather Regatta St Francis YC, June 16-18

Series results presented at St Francis YC after racing.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be issued by each host club for each separate regatta.

6. SCORING

6.1 Harken Series scoring shall be based on the official results of each race tabulated only against other Harken Series participants.

6.2 Harken Series scoring shall be in accordance with US Sailing Appendix A9.

6.3 For the Harken Series a DNC is defined as not registering for a Harken Regatta and shall be scored the number of entries in the Harken Series plus one.

6.4 Ties will be broken using RRS Appendix A. If a tie still exists, the winner shall be the boat that finished ahead in the final race that the two participating boats both finished.

6.5 When from 5 to 10 races have been completed, a boat' series score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.

When from 11 to 15 races have been completed, a boat' series score will be the total of her scores excluding her two worst scores.

When from 16 to 20 races have been completed, a boat' series score will be the total of her scores excluding her three worst scores.

When from 21 to 25 races have been completed, a boat' series score will be the total of her scores excluding her four worst scores.

When from 26 to 30 races have been completed, a boat' series score will be the total of her scores excluding her five worst scores.

When 30 or more races have been completed, a boat' series score will be the total of her scores excluding her six worst scores.

6.6 Sail number changes must be reported to the Harken Series Chairman, Justine O'Connor by email (youth@sfyc.org) and reported to the host race committee before the first race each day.

7. PRIZES

The Harken Challenge Perpetual trophy will be awarded to the top finisher in the series. Other trophies may be awarded.

8. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, 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 regatta.

9. MORE INFORMATION

For more information contact each host club, or Justine O'Connor, Series Chairman via email at youth@sfyc.org. Host clubs can be contacted at: CYC 310-823-4567; SFYC 415-435-9525, CBYC 310 519-1694, StFYC 415-563-6363.