

Race Event Sign-up Procedures and Privileges - 2009

Friday nights

Helms and Crews may sign up in advance for any Friday night event for the season. A random draw will be conducted on the Wednesday night to select 18 helms and 18 crews to appear on the final pairing list. Remaining people on the list will be ranked by random draw as alternates. Final pairings will be posted on the calendar of the J-Town website by Thursday so that sailors can confirm their status.

Friday nights sailors must arrive at the club and sign in on the final pairings sheet one hour before the gun- in the event of a delay racers may phone in to indicate their attendance as long as they will arrive in due time to safely rig and race.

Sailors who do not make the one hour cut off relinquish their spots and the final pairings lists will be juggled at the one hour cut off to pair all signed in helms and crews in order and then add alternate sailors.

On Friday nights the race chair or designate will assign remaining boats to eligible helms as part of the final draw process.

Boat captain rights

Helms who are boat captains have first rights on their boat and if drawn to the final pairings list should assume they will race their boat. Other helms should therefore seek to reserve boats that are not attached to the drawn helms for that event

Crews also have first rights to a boat for which they are the captain. There is only one captain per boat. Co-captains no longer exist and as such do not have rights to boats.

If a boat captain is not sailing in a particular event – his or her boat may be signed out and used by any other boat helm- boats are club property and are not subjected to exclusive use.

Other events

For harbor masters, regattas and training clinics outside of the white sail programs:

A maximum number of eligible boats to compete will be determined based on the demand and schedule for boats of white sail classes and balance social sailing boat availability. This Maximum number of eligible boats for each event will be posted one week in advance.

Sailors may pre-sign up in advance for any event - both a name for helm and crew must be signed up in advance in order to be included in the final draw.

For local events, if more than the maximum number of allowable teams are signed up, a random draw will be conducted one week prior to determine which teams will be able to participate.

For out of town events this random draw may be conducted sooner to allow for advance planning and accommodation / travel bookings.

An alternate list of teams for each event will be formed in case a team has to withdraw.

Advanced Sign Ups and Scratches

The opportunity to sign up in advance for racing has been afforded to allow for planning and indicates a true interest in competing in that event.

We ask that individuals or teams who decide they need to scratch from an event, or individual race do so at least one week prior so as to allow others to take their spots with time to plan, and to avoid being included in the final draws.

Last minute scratches are disruptive and can result in unoccupied boats for popular events.

A pattern of last minute scratches may result in future racing sign up privileges be affected.