

Lightning Fleet 126 Addendum to the CPYC Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

This describes Lightning Fleet 126's qualification and scoring policy for the Cedar Point Yacht Club ("CPYC") Lightning "Summer Series" and "Cup Weekends". This serves as an addendum to the CPYC Sailing Instructions.

1. CPYC Lightning Summer Series

- 1.1. The Summer Series shall be comprised of races held on the following days only ("Race Days"):
 - 1.1.1. Saturday CPYC club racing days, beginning with the Saturday after Memorial Day weekend and concluding on the Saturday prior to Labor Day weekend.
 - 1.1.2. The individual days as part of the CPYC Vice-Commodore's Cup (Memorial Day weekend), Commodore's Cup (Independence Day / July 4th weekend), and Rear-Commodore's Cup (Labor Day weekend), herein referred to as "Cup Weekends".
- 1.2. Unless otherwise specified, all Race Days shall be scored as part of the Summer Series and will count towards qualification.
- 1.3. If fewer than three boats start a race, two of which must be skippered by CPYC members, the race shall not be scored or considered for qualification.

2. Summer Series Qualification

- 2.1. In order to qualify for the Summer Series; an eligible skipper must be credited with a minimum of 50% of all Race Days on which a race was finished.
- 2.2. For every 7 Race Days completed by the fleet, 1 "Race Day Credit", up to a maximum of 2, shall be awarded for each Lightning regatta that one participates in as skipper, crew, or race committee during the time period defined as the Summer Series in 1.1. A "Race Day Credit" can also be earned for skippers that volunteer their boats for the Area B U.S. Junior Championships qualifier.
- 2.3. Summer Series qualification will be by "skipper" or "co-skipper" (See 3.4).

3. Scoring

- 3.1. Unless otherwise specified, races shall be scored according to Appendix A of US Sailing's, The Racing Rules of Sailing ("the RRS"), the latest version of which shall apply.
- 3.2. The Summer Series shall be scored using the High-Point Percentage System, as defined in Appendix A of the RRS and as further elaborated on the US Sailing web-site (http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Rules/Scoring_a_Long_Series.htm), except that the qualification percentage shall be as defined in 2.1 herein. "Individual Race Days" shall be scored using the Low Point Scoring System.
- 3.3. Summer Series and Cup Weekend scoring will be by "skipper" or "co-skipper" (See 3.4). Competitors are to notify the race committee of any skipper changes (and should check the score sheet to ensure that the change was correctly registered).
- 3.4. The Fleet Captain and/or Fleet Scorer shall be notified of any boats with an alternate skipper ("co-skipper"), prior to the first Summer Series Race Day. The individual scores for "co-skippered" boats shall be combined and cannot be changed to individual skipper scores once the request for such has been made. Up to one alternate skipper can be named and that person must be a CPYC member.
- 3.5. **Cup Weekends** (Vice Commodore's Cup, Commodore's Cup, and Rear Commodore's Cup)
 - 3.5.1. Each Cup Weekend is scored as a separate series, although individual races are used towards Summer Series scoring (See 3.4.1).

3.5.2. The Low Point Scoring System shall be used for Cup Weekend scoring, with the following clarifications: (1) A boat that did not start a completed race shall be scored one finishing place more than the maximum number of eligible boats that started any race during the Cup Weekend; (2) Scoring for DNFs and DSQs shall be based on the maximum number of boats on a given Race Day; (3) Guest boats and boats sailing short-handed shall be excluded from official Cup Weekend scoring (See 5.2 and 6.2).

3.5.3. If no races are finished on any of the Cup Weekend days, no trophies for the Cup Weekend shall be awarded.

3.6. Summer Series

3.6.1. All races started by a participant on Cup Weekends, including DNF, DSQ, and OCS scores, but excluding DNS scores, shall be used for Summer Series scoring.

3.6.2. There shall be 1 “excluded race” or “throw-out” for every 7 scored Summer Series races started except that a “throw-out” will be eliminated for each “Race Day Credit” used to meet the minimum qualification threshold. An “excluded race” will not be included in the computation of a skipper’s Summer Series score (See 3.5.6); however, if only one race is scored and completed on a given Race Day, an “excluded race” will count towards Summer Series qualification (See 2). This changes RRS A2.

3.6.3. The number of boats in a given race shall be the number of boats that started. A boat shall have started as long as it has crossed the starting line within 4 minutes after the applicable starting signal. This modifies RRS A9.

3.6.4. Any race in which no boat finishes shall not be scored in the Summer Series.

3.6.5. Any race in which at least 1 boat finishes and the minimum number of boats requirement in 1.3 is met, shall be scored as part of the Summer Series. Non-finishing boats shall be scored DNF.

3.6.6. The series score for each boat shall be a percentage calculated as follows: Divide the sum of non-“excluded race” scores by the sum of the points that would have been scored if the “skipper” or “co-skipper” placed first in every non-“excluded race” in which they competed; multiply the result by 100.

4. Trophies

4.1. Trophies shall be awarded per the Cedar Point Trophy Policy, as found in the latest version of the Cedar Point Yacht Club Yearbook.

5. Guest Racing Policy

5.1. Skippers who are not members of CPYC ("Guests") may compete on any Race Day, subject to the limitations of the CPYC By-Laws. For Individual Race Days, Guests shall be scored and are eligible for daily awards.

5.2. Guests are not eligible for Summer Series or Cup Weekend awards. For the purpose of Summer Series or Cup Weekend scoring, any race in which a Guest competes, the Guest's finish shall be discarded for that race. Any CPYC member that finished after the Guest shall be moved up one place and the number of starters shall be reduced by one.

6. Short-Handed Racing Policy

6.1. For all Race Days, a boat sailing “short-handed” (fewer than 3 persons) that meets all other requirements, as defined herein, shall be treated equally for Summer Series and Cup Weekend scoring, qualification, and awards / trophies.