

DLYC FLEET RULES 2016

1. Races will be governed by the current rules of the International Yacht Racing Union, the MC Class Sail Boat Racing Association Rules and the DLYC Fleet Rules. The 720 degree rule is in effect during all races. The penalty for hitting a buoy is 360 degrees done away from other boats, as soon as possible.
2. While new sailors are welcome to participate in races, race results will be scored for only those skippers who have paid club dues. Deadline for dues is May 1.
3. The Starter assigned by the DLYC Sailing Schedule will designate committee boat assignments and personnel, set the racecourse, initiate the race start, and verify race results. The Starter should try to set a course that has a minimum of three legs, with two windward beats. A qualified race must have a minimum of two full legs. The Starter, at his discretion may cancel or abandon a race due to adverse weather conditions. The time limit for reaching the 1st mark is one hour, and completion of a race is 2 hours. The Race Committee may shorten the course during the race, provided notification is given to the first boat before it starts the last leg. After one boat finishes, the other finishing positions may be assigned by the Committee Boat, at their discretion, should the race be terminated.
4. The Spring Series is considered a warm up series. The races may be scored, but no trophies will be awarded.
5. To qualify in the Season Series, a skipper must participate in at least 2/3 of the scored series races. Participation includes sailing in a scored race, acting as a Starter on the Committee Boat, or sailing in an off-lake MC Regatta that same weekend. **Nevertheless, a skipper must actually sail in at least 1/2 of DLYC races to be eligible for a Season Series award.** For the Season Series, one race score may be electively thrown out if: a. The Fleet has completed 2/3 of the scheduled Season Series races and b. the skipper has participated in at least 2/3 of the scored races either as a skipper in the Fleet Season Series races, Starter on the Committee Boat, or participant in an off-lake MC Regatta on the same weekend.
6. To qualify for ranking in a DLYC Fleet Regatta, such as the 4th of July Series and the Labor Day Series, a skipper must sail in all races.
7. Scoring will follow the low point scoring system, Appendix 5A the IYRU Racing Rules, except as modified by the rules of the International MC Racing Association. For each race series the final score for each skipper will be the average of the skipper's race scores.
8. In case of a tie in scoring, the skipper who beats the other skipper more times head to head for that series will be awarded the higher position.
9. Race points will be awarded to the skipper unless a request has been submitted to the Fleet and granted to have points awarded to a defined team of eligible skippers for the series.
10. The minimum numbers of boats for a qualified race is three.
11. While protest flags need not be displayed in DLYC races, it is necessary to hail the other boat at the time of an incident if you think you are in the right. If they might not have heard your hail, you must notify them at the next earliest opportunity even if this is not until you have come ashore. Notification of protests will be given to the Race Committee and the protest is to be delivered or postmarked within two days to the Chairman of the Protest Committee for a ruling.
12. Recreational sailing (non-scored) is allowed, providing the skipper pays the usual fleet fee. The decision to be a recreational skipper must be declared at the start of each series or season.
13. Skippers are encouraged to become members of the International MC Class Sailboat Racing Association.
14. Canceled Sunday season races will be made up the following Sundays until all season races are made up. There will be no more than three races per Sunday.