



MBSA fully supports and recommends adoption of the ORR-EZ rating system for these reasons:

IT IS A FULLY SCIENTIFIC WAY TO DETERMINE THE SPEED POTENTIAL OF ANY BOAT

- It uses a highly sophisticated velocity prediction program (VPP) that has been proven/validated by years of use.

IT IS BASED ON PURELY OBJECTIVE SCIENCE AND INDEPENDENTLY RUN

- It eliminates any form of "politics" that can occur with other systems.

IT ALLOWS FOR THE EFFECTS THAT DIFFERENT COURSE CONFIGURATIONS AND WIND SPEEDS HAVE ON THE OUTCOME OF A RACE

- We all know that some boats reach better than others. When random leg courses are used ORR-EZ takes this into account.
- We all know that some boats do much better in light wind or that other boats do much better in heavy breeze. ORR-EZ evens out these differences by providing different ratings for each of these conditions.

IT CUSTOMIZES YOUR RATING BASED ON YOUR INDIVIDUAL BOAT AND THE SAILS THAT YOU HAVE AND USE

- It treats Asymmetric spinnakers correctly and fairly. No more unfair adjustment or need to modify your boat.
- If you only race with a smaller jib you can do that. You are NOT automatically rated with a large one.
- It uses specific time adjustments (fractions of seconds)... no more chunks of only 3, 6, 9 seconds per mile.

IT IS UNIFORM NATIONWIDE. NO VARIANCES IN RATINGS FROM ONE AREA OF THE COUNTRY TO ANOTHER

WHAT IT IS NOT AND DOES NOT DO:

IT IS NOT a single number, one size fits all, system.

IT IS NOT overly expensive. \$75 per year. That's it... unless you modify your boat ☺.

IT DOES NOT require you to pay to measure either your boat OR YOUR SAILS. You can use the default sail measurements. If you do choose to have your sails measured your rating will simply be more accurate.

IT IS NOT overly complex. The Regatta Management Systems solution we all use handles everything for you.

IT DOES NOT add significant additional work for race committees.

IT IS NOT hard or complicated to obtain. Just log into Regattaman and fill out the application.

IT DOES NOT account for poor boat preparation. You still need to keep your bottom clean ☺.

- ORR-EZ may not be perfect but it is much better than what we are using now.
- Participation is declining... it will not be positively addressed by simply doing the same thing we have always done.
- It is an objective solution to many of the negative issues we have all been dealing with regarding the present system.
- The existing system served us well based on what was available many years ago. ORR-EZ is a technology platform that can take us into the future using modern science to rate different boats that want to race together.