

Hobcaw Yacht Club Weekly Sunfish Racing

Frostbite Series 2023-2024

Rules and Information



Frostbite Series race days will be on the following Sundays:

December 3, 2023 - February 11, 2024

December:	Week #1 Dec 3	Week #2 Dec 10	Week #3 Dec 17	Bye Week Dec 24	Week #4 Dec 31
January:	Week #5 Jan 7	Week #6 Jan 14	Week #7 Jan 21	Week #8 Jan 28	
February:	Week #9 Feb 4	Week #10 Feb 11			

Series will consist of 10 Racing Sundays - No racing during bye week on Dec. 24

Racing Class:

*Sunfish

Registration:

*All participants must be registered with Hobcaw Yacht Club prior to race participation

*Registration link available here: [Hobcaw Yacht Club](#)

Participation Fee:

*Entry Fee is for participation in the entire Frostbite Series - There are no single day entries for racing

Adult:	\$40.00
Junior: (Under 18)	\$30.00

*This is a series that is scored cumulatively over the season so weekly participation is encouraged however...

*If a sailor can only join us for one or a few weekends that is OK and they will be scored for the days they race

*Late entries after the series has started are allowed

*Entry Fee does not include onsite boat storage at Hobcaw Yacht Club

***No boat storage for non-members of HYC will be available during the Series**

Report Time

*1:00 PM each Sunday

***1:30PM Rigged & Ready for launch with racing to commence shortly after**

*Minimum number of boats: Five (5) boats must be rigged and ready by 1:30PM R&R time for racing to be held that Sunday

*Late arrivals may participate after they check in with the Committee Boat and will be scored DNS for missed races

*Weather Cancellation - Best efforts will be made by the Race Committee to make a GO/NO GO call by Noon on race days

*Weather call notifications will be broadcast by the Race Committee on the WhatsApp group (link below)

Junior Sailors:

*Entry Fee does not include coaching for junior sailors

*Juniors must be of a skill level to safely transit to and from the race course and participate in the racing without assistance

*This is a winter series with the potential for cold weather and cold water

*Please be mindful of this when determining whether your Jr has attained the skills necessary to participate

Frostbite Scoring:

- *Low Point Scoring
- *Maximum of 7 races to be sailed each Sunday (No drops per race day)
- *Cumulative series results scored by final overall finish at the end of racing each Sunday
- *Sailors will be scored a DNC (Did Not Compete) on any day(s) that they do not sail
- *DNC Points = Fleet Size that Sunday +5 unless the five boat minimum is not met in which case DNC will be scored as 10 points
- *Sailors who show up prepared to race when a 5 boat minimum fleet threshold is not met will all receive a zero for DNC points that week
(Fair weather sailor discouragement rules)
- *2 drops per sailor for the entire Frostbite Series
- *Drops to be added after Sundays **#5 & #10** (Top 8 Sundays count towards standings)
- *Competitor Volunteering for Race Committee = Average of the top 3 scores in the series for that sailor as of that day
- *Competitor Volunteers must sail a minimum of 3 Sundays for points to be applied
- *Tie-Breakers in Series Standings: Sundays Sailed, then Highest Score(s)
- *To receive credit for a Sunday Sailed, competitor must start and finish at least one race, or volunteer that Sunday

Year Long Scoring:

- *During 2024 HYC intends to host four seasonal series - Frostbite, Spring, Summer and Fall
- *Final Frostbite cumulative score for each sailor will be applied to the annual cumulative score for each sailor in the Year Long Series
- *Final cumulative score in each series will be applied to the sailors Year Long Series score
- *Sailors do not have to compete in all four series to participate
- *Sailors that do not participate in a series will be scored a DNC for that series
- *Series DNC Points = Fleet size of the largest fleet of the four annual series +1 (Equally weighted DNC Rule for all series)
- *Competitors do not have to register for Year Long Series. Participation in one or more of the seasonal series is an automatic entry

Volunteers:

- *HYC Racing is a volunteer run series and WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!
- *Volunteer positions needed: Committee Boat, PRO, Scorekeeper and Safety Boat - See "Volunteer Schedule" tab for more info
- *Volunteers do not have to commit to the entire series. Helping out on the weekends you can is great
- *Competitor Volunteering is encouraged. Series score points are awarded on volunteer days (See Fall Series Scoring Above)
- *Non-competitor volunteers are deeply appreciated
- *Contact [Mark Scharwenka](#) or [Evy Silcox](#) to get on the schedule to participate

Links:

#1 -REGISTER HERE: -----> [Hobcaw Yacht Club](#)

#2 - JOIN THIS GROUP -----> [Charleston Sunfish Fleet #226](#)

- *We use this group for updates, weather cancellations, results, questions, etc.
- *This is the primary source of communication for our race committee and sailors
- *PLEASE SIGN UP TO THIS GROUP TO RECEIVE ALL UPDATES

Amendments:

- *It is the intention of the Race Committee to make this series as fun, fair and enjoyable as possible for all of our competitors
- *This series has been structured with the above at the forefront of all of our planning
- *If the Race Committee determines at any time that amendments would benefit the series, they will be posted here