



US SAILING RACE OFFICER TRAINING & CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

BASIC RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

Saturday, February 7, 2009

Hosted by: Sarasota Sailing Squadron

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Course to be held at: Mote Aquarium

1600 Ken Thompson Parkway, Sarasota, Florida 34236

This seminar is sponsored by the US SAILING Race Management Committee and the Sarasota Sailing Squadron. It is designed for people who have some race committee experience, but newcomers are also welcome. It will be held at Mote Aquarium, will begin at 8:00 am, and end at 5:30 pm.

The topics covered include: RC objectives, RC responsibilities, sailing instructions, RC jobs, RC equipment, setting the course, starting system, starting penalties, before the start, during the race, finishing, and scoring. The changes in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012* that affect race management will be discussed.

The principal instructor for the seminar is Henry Moore of Davis Island Yacht Club in Tampa. Henry is a US SAILING Regional Race Officer, Senior Judge and Certified Basic Race Management Instructor. He has also taught 11 Race Management Seminars.

At the seminar you will need your own copy of *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012* ("RRS"). If you are a US SAILING member, you should have received a copy. If you are not a US SAILING member, you can either join US SAILING and get a copy free, or purchase one from the US SAILING web site (www.ussailing.org and click on Store, Racing, All Racing Rules). You will be given a copy of *Join the Race Committee Team*.

IMPORTANT: To prepare for the seminar you should try to answer the Study Questions, which will be sent to you electronically when you register. In our experience, those who search for answers to the Study Questions, derive far greater benefit from the seminar than those who do not.

The Club Race Officer Certification test, which is given at the conclusion of the seminar, is optional. However, in order to be certified as a US SAILING Club Race Officer, you are required to attend a complete seminar and to pass the test.

In order to be certified as a Club Race Officer you will also need to have your own copy of the current US SAILING *Race Management Handbook*, and meet the program's other criteria.

The 2005 edition of the *Race Management Handbook* is available from the US SAILING website; the 2009 edition should be available by the end of 2008.

The seminar fee (\$45 for US SAILING members and for non-members who do not take the test; \$75 for non-members who take the test) includes: continental breakfast, morning and afternoon breaks, lunch and all workshop materials. Send the attached registration confirmation, with your check, to the Sarasota Sailing Squadron. Please do not send the fee to US SAILING. **Advance registration with the Sarasota Sailing Squadron is required, and the number of participants is limited.**

Schedule

8:00 am Registration and continental breakfast

8:15 Seminar begins

12:00 pm Lunch

4:40 Test

5:10 Test debriefing

5:30 Seminar concludes

For further information, contact the Squadron's Race Captain, Stu Gilfillen at 941.504.4236 or stuart_gilfillen@hotmail.com.

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REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION

TO: Sarasota Sailing Squadron
Att: Stu Gilfillen
1717 Ken Thompson Parkway
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Please confirm my registration for the US SAILING Race Management Seminar on Saturday, February 7, 2009.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

e-address: _____

Are you currently a US Sailing member: YES NO

If yes, please indicate your US Sailing #: _____

A mailing address is required for test results. If you supply an e-address we will e-mail you the materials needed to prepare for the seminar.

Seminar fee: \$45 for US SAILING members and for non-members not taking the certification test; \$75 for non-members taking the test (includes a 6-month trial membership in US SAILING). Please make all checks out to the "Sarasota Sailing Squadron." We will not be accepting credit cards for this seminar.

NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER JANUARY 31, 2009