

Organizing Authority: Renton Sailing Center

Skill Building Through Racing – 2023 Spring, Summer, and Fall Regatta Series

Notice of Race

1. Renton Sailing Center's "Skill Building Through Racing" 2023 Season will begin on Tuesday, April 18, 2023. Racing will be held each Tuesday through the Spring and Summer with the last event on August 29, 2023. There will be no racing on Tuesday, July 4th.
2. Participation begins when the racer emails raceres@rentonsailing.org and asks to participate in the specific event. Email requests to participate will be accepted between noon Friday and 6 PM Sunday before the following Tuesday's race. Participation in each weekly event requires a unique email request for that specific week. Different online sign-up systems are being looked into and notice will be given if the email system described here changes.
3. The Race Committee will form the race teams (crews) and will assign the boats. Crews and boats will be assigned based on sailor's experience levels, with the goal of maximizing learning opportunities (basic sailing, racing, and mentoring) with safety first.
4. The Race Committee reserves the right to alter the crew and boat assignments at the time of the race set-up, boat rigging, and during the race.
5. PFDs must be worn at all times on the dock and in the boats, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. A range of youth and adult PFD sizes are available at the dock, but sailors should bring their own PFD if they have one.
6. The following boats are available, and will be treated as one class for the races:
 - 5 RS Visions (crew of 2 each)
 - 1 RS Quest (crew of 2)
 - 1 Catalina Capri (crew of 2)
 - 1 Hunter 17 (crew of 2-4)
 - 3 RS Zests (crew of 1 each)
 - 1 RS Venture may be available for part of the season (crew of 2-4)
7. Rigging of boats will begin at 5 PM. Plan to be at the dock at 5:00 to help rig boats. Parking at Coulon Beach Park can be crowded on a warm Tuesday afternoon so plan accordingly.
8. Race Committee or Dockmaster will check rigging of each boat before the boat leaves the dock.
9. 1st race will begin at 6 PM. The goal of the Race Committee will be to have the last race end before the end of local civil twilight, leaving time for competitors to derig boats before dark.

1. RULES

- a. The event will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in 'The Racing Rules of Sailing'.
- b. All competitors in this regatta shall wear a PFD, while on the water or dock, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. This changes RRS 40.

- c. Add to RRS 41: e). information from the Race Committee or other representatives of the Organizing Authority.
- 2. SKIPPER AND CREW ELIGIBILITY
 - a. All Sailors shall be Members of Renton Sailing Center, or official guests of Members.
 - b. Skippers shall be Advanced level. The Race Committee, at their discretion, may allow an Intermediate or Beginner level sailor be Skipper.
- 3. BOATS
 - a. In general, all boats shall be RSC boats. The Race Committee may allow exceptions for RSC Members to use their own boats. A request by a member to use their own boat must be received by email to racerev@rentonsailing.org during the normal sign-up period and must be approved by the Race Committee before the day of race. The Race Committee may choose to make special requirements for a member-owned boat participating in the races.
 - b. The participating RSC boats will be the RSC sailing dinghy fleet: RS Vison, RS Quest, RS Zest, Catalina Capri, and Hunter 17. An RS Venture may be available for part of the season.
- 4. SCHEDULE OF RACES
 - a. See Sailing Instructions.
- 5. RACING AREA
 - a. The intended Racing Area shall be Lake Washington south of the southern tip of Mercer Island.
- 6. THE COURSES
 - a. See Sailing Instructions.
- 7. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS
 - a. The log boom on the east side of the lake that extends from south of Coleman Point to the north waterwalk of Coulon Park.
- 8. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY
 - a. All those taking any part in the event do so at their own risk; see RRS 4. The Organizing Authority, its associates and appointees will not accept liability or responsibility for any loss, material damage, or personal injury or death or inconvenience sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.
- 9. CODE OF CONDUCT
 - a. The purpose of these Regattas is for skill building, fun and fellowship. It is expected that everyone will participate according to recognized principles of sportsmanship and fair play per RRS 2.