

ORA
Offshore Racing Association
Offshore Racing Rule (ORR)



Regional Championship Series
East Coast – Great Lakes – West Coast
2018 Notice of Race

1. ELIGIBILITY

Four individual regional series are open to yachts holding a valid 2018 ORR certificate and compete in the required number of races that comprise a given series.

2. RULES

For races in which the ORR is used, yachts must enter the ORR class and those results shall be used for scoring. One-design yachts may compete in their own class. In races where the ORR is not used, an ORR overlay will be independently applied by the ORA. Yachts must enter those races under their respective NOR.

3. ENTRIES

Yachts participating in the minimum required number of races will automatically be enrolled in the series. There is no charge to enter the series.

4. SCORING

4.0 Each yacht's score for the Championship Series will consist of the points earned in each of the qualifying events. Points earned for an individual event are calculated by the obtaining yachts corrected finishing position divided by the number of ORR Certificate starters then multiplied by the weighted race factor. The combination of the best individual race scores as listed in the regional series section will be used to determine the scoring. The sum of the points for each qualifying race divided by the total number of races scored including the weighted race factor shall determine a yacht's combined score. The lowest combined score will determine Championship Series placing.

4.1 A) The 2018 **ORR East Coast Championship Series** will be based on the results of a minimum of two (2) of the following races.

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| May 25 | <u>Block Island Race</u> Storm Trysail Club | Distance | 186NM |
| June 15 | <u>Newport Bermuda Race</u> Cruising Club of America & Royal Bermuda Yacht Club | approx. | 635 NM |
| June 21 | <u>Anniversary Regatta</u> Royal Bermuda Yacht Club | inshore | |
| August 31 | <u>Vineyard Race</u> Stamford Yacht Club | Distance | 238NM |

4.1 A) 1. Each yacht's score for the Championship Series will consist of the points earned in the qualifying events. The Newport Bermuda Race shall be weighted as two (2) races. All other regattas shall be weighted as one race. The combination of the best two individual race scores will be used to determine the series scoring.

4.1 A) 2. The races included in the East Coast Championship Series will change each year. In even years, the Newport Bermuda Race is included, and in odd years, the Annapolis Newport, Marion Bermuda, and Marblehead Halifax Races are included.

4.1 B) The **ORR Great Lakes Championship Series** will be based on the results of a minimum of three (3) of the following races. Each yacht must compete in one of the Mackinac Races in order to qualify.

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| June 20 | <u>Tripp Memorial Cup</u> Macatawa Bay YC | Distance | 74.5 NM |
| June 22 | <u>Trans Michigan Cup</u> Muskegon Yacht Club | Distance | 66.5 NM |
| June 22 | <u>Queen's Cup</u> South Shore Yacht Club | Distance | 76 NM |
| July 14 | <u>Bayview Mackinac Race</u> Bayview Yacht Club | Distance | 259 NM/298 SM |
| July 21 | <u>CYC Race to Mackinac</u> Chicago Yacht Club | Distance | 289.5 NM/333 SM |
| July 27-29 | <u>Ugotta Regatta</u> Little Traverse Yacht Club | Inshore | |
| August 10 | <u>Clipper Cup</u> Muskegon Yacht Club | Distance | 66.9 NM |

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| August 10-12 | <u>Verve Cup</u> Chicago Yacht Club | Point to Point |
| September 15 | <u>Long Distance Race</u> Bayview Yacht Club | approx. 43 NM |

4.1 B) 1. Each yacht's score for the championship series will consist of the points earned in the qualifying events. The Mackinac races shall be weighted as two (2) races. All other regattas shall be weighted as one race. The combination of the best three individual race scores will be used to determine the series scoring.

4.1 C) The **ORR West Coast Northern Championship Series** will be based on the best results of a minimum of three (3) of the races as listed for the Northern Region. The **ORR West Coast Southern Championship Series** will be based on the best results of a minimum of three (3) races. The Northern and Southern Series will be scored as separate distinct series, with no crossover scoring of Northern and Southern events.

Northern Series

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| April 21 | <u>OYRA Lightship Race</u> Offshore Yacht Racing Association | 20-30 NM |
| April 28 | <u>Great Vallejo Race</u> (Saturday only) Vallejo Yacht Club | Point to Point |
| May 26-27 | <u>Spinnaker Cup</u> San Francisco Yacht Club and Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club | Offshore |
| May 28-29 | <u>Coastal Cup Ocean Race</u> Encinal Yacht Club and the Santa Barbara Yacht Club | 204 NM |
| June 9 | <u>OYRA Farallon Islands Race</u> Offshore Yacht Racing Association | approx. 30 NM |
| July 09-13 | <u>Pacific Cup</u> Pacific Cup Yacht Club | approx. 2070 NM |
| August 17 | <u>Aldo Alessio</u> St. Francis Yacht Club | Inshore |
| August 18-19 | <u>Phillis Kleinman Swiftsure Cup</u> St. Francis Yacht Club | Inshore |
| Sept. 12-16 | <u>Rolex Big Boat Series</u> St. Francis yacht Club | Inshore |

Southern Series

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| February 16 | <u>Islands Race</u> San Diego Yacht Club and Newport Harbor Yacht Club | Distance 134 NM |
| March 1-9 | <u>San Diego to Puerto Vallarta Race</u> SDYC | Distance 1000NM+/- |
| March 11-17 | <u>MEXORC</u> AYC | inshore |
| April 27-29 | <u>Newport to Ensenada Race</u> Newport Ocean Sailing Association | Distance 125 NM |
| May 31 June 2 | <u>So Cal 300</u> SBYC/SDYC | approx. 300 NM |
| July 27-28 | <u>Santa Barbara to King Harbor</u> Santa Barbara Yacht Club and King Harbor Yacht Club | Distance 81 NM |
| August 24-26 | <u>Long Point Race Week</u> Newport Harbor Yacht Club | Inshore |

4.1 C) 1. Each yacht's score for the championship series will consist of points earned in the qualifying events. The Puerto Vallarta Race shall be weighted as two (2.0) races. The Pacific Cup shall be weighted as two (2) races and the So Cal 300 Race weighted as one and one half (1.5) races. All other regattas shall be weighted as one race. For the Northern Series the combination of the best three (3) individual race scores will be used to determine the series scoring. For the Southern Series the combination of the best three (3) individual races will be used to determine the series scoring.

4.1 C) 2. The races included in the West Coast Championship Series will change each year. In odd years, the Transpac Race is included, and in even years, the Pacific Cup is included.

4.2 Yachts competing in more than the qualifying number of events shall discard their worst placing(s).

4.3 When races and regattas do not use ORR scoring, the ORR Committee shall perform overlay scoring. In the absence of specific wind and course information from the regatta organization or a custom wind overlay provided by ORR, the overlay scoring will use for each boat a single number time-on-time rating derived from the ORR Closed Course rating at a wind speed of 12 knots. However, if, for example, the course content is specified as windward leeward, then a 12 knot windward leeward time-on-time rating

will be used. If the race committee declares an observed wind speed, a TOT rating will be derived from the appropriate sec/mile rating on the ORR certificate that most closely corresponds to the observed wind.

4.4 Scoring in individual regattas with more than one race and where entered yachts may sail different courses on the same day will be scored using the corrected seconds per mile calculated by taking each boat's corrected time and dividing by the race distance of its course. The lower the computed corrected seconds per mile the better the score.

5. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. The final ranking shall be determined after the last race of the series.

ORR MISSION STATEMENT: The ORR will promote the use of the best sailboat handicapping possible based on a velocity prediction program (VPP) at an affordable level for a diverse fleet of mono-hull yachts within a reasonable size, age and design range.