

Dear Bullseye Sailing Association members,

Below for your comment/discussion are draft proposals for three potential additions to the BSA Class Rules Part III Rules for Regattas. These aim to codify wording that has previously been used in BSA Championship Notices of Race (NOR's) and Sailing Instructions (SI's) and are based on best practices espoused by Vice President and Competition Committee chair Kathryn Collings. The intention is to present these in 2027 as changes to be voted upon.

We welcome your feedback and comments at the annual meeting, as well as by email to the officers, including both Kathryn Collings and the president. Contact info available on the BSA website.

Eligibility to sail

1. No crew member or skipper will be paid to participate in a Bullseye Nationals
2. No skipper or crew may be classified as a Group 3 (professional) sailor as defined by the World Sailing Categorization Code.
3. Exception – If a sailor is helming / racing his/her own Bullseye and has participated and have proof of participation in more than 50% of local races available in the current year prior to attending the Nationals.

Single-handed Challenge at a Bullseye Nationals

1. The Single-Handed Challenge is open to all Bullseyes registered for the Bullseye Nationals. The sailor must be a current member in good standing of the Bullseye Sailing Association
2. Boats must be sailed with a crew of one (1) person only. The skipper of the single-handed challenge may be one member of the registered nationals team. Skipper Co-skippers or crew member and shall be declared at the regatta race registration.
3. A minimum of one (1) race completed will constitute a series.
4. Up to but no more than 5 races will be sailed
5. Scoring will use the low point score system. The competitor's score will be the total of all races.
6. Will be sailed with jib and main only. No spinnakers, genoas or whisker poles.
7. The race should be scheduled for the morning with no start after 1 to take advantage of lower velocity wind.
8. Prizes for the top 3 finishers.

JAM – Jib and Main Division at a Bullseye Nationals

The intent of this division is to include boats and sailors that may not be equipped for spinnakers either with rigging or experience.

1. A minimum of five (5) boats must be registered for this division
2. All skippers will be a current member in good standing of the Bullseye Sailing Association.
3. Single Handing will not be allowed
4. The Jam division must have their own start. No sooner than 1 minute after the first fleets start.
5. A flag on the starboard shroud will be flown to distinguish a JAM division boat.
6. Up to 7 races will be sailed.
7. Prizes awarded to the top three (3) boats and their crew.