



**Rules for the
'Sail Register - NORTHERN PADDLE' and 'Pinnell & Bax SOUTHERN PADDLE'
Travellers' Series Events 2016**

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1. To qualify for a Paddle series, every helm must hold current membership of the Streaker Class Owners Association.

The number of race results to count towards each Paddle will be equal to the planned number of open meetings for that Paddle circuit in that year. At the discretion of the Streaker Class Owners Association the number of races to count may be reduced for any reason. This may apply if a Paddle meeting is lost from the series. See ***Qualification 2016** below.
2. Northern and Southern Paddle events are only those specified in the Association events calendar as published on the Streaker Class Owners Association website; www.streaker-class.org.uk.
3. For an open meeting to count as a Paddle event, a minimum of three boats must qualify as starters in each race. A Paddle event will normally consist of three planned races, although more or fewer than three races may actually be sailed on the day.
4. At events where more than three races are held, only the first three races sailed will be counted towards the relevant Paddle series.
5. The Low Point scoring system (which uses a boat's finishing place as her race score) will be used at all meetings, as per RRS Appendix A4.
6. For the purposes of Paddle scores, irrespective of the race scores awarded at a particular meeting:
 - a. A boat that came to the starting area but did not start, did not finish or retired after finishing shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area;
 - b. A boat that came to the starting area but was disqualified shall be scored two more than the number of boats that came to the starting area;
 - c. A boat that entered the meeting but did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place equal to two more than the number of boats entering that meeting.
7. If there is a series score tie between two or more boats, each boat's race scores shall be listed in order of best to worst, and at the first point(s) where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favour of the boat(s) with the best score(s). No excluded scores shall be used. If a series tie remains, each boat's discarded scores from all races sailed shall be listed in order of best to worst, and at the first point where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favour of the boat with the best score.
8. The winner of a series will hold the respective Paddle title for one year.
9. Streaker Class Owners Association members may qualify for both the Northern & Southern Paddle series in the same calendar year.
10. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Streaker Class Owners Association. Where possible all qualifiers will receive a prize.
11. A prize will be presented to the 1st boat in qualification which is 15 years old or more in each paddle series. **15 years old means the Streaker sail number was issued before 31st December 2000. (Sail number 1534 or earlier).**

***Qualification 2016**

The number of races to count for the **Northern Paddle Series is 12.**

The number of races to count for the **Southern Paddle Series is 9.**

Please note that if events are cancelled, the number of races to count will be adjusted accordingly. E.g. if one open is cancelled, the number of races to count is reduced by 1.