



United States Sailing Association

National Governing Body of the Sport of Sailing

BASIC RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

Saturday ~ February 27, 2010

Vancouver Lake Sailing Club

Vancouver, Washington

THE SEMINAR AND WHO IT'S FOR

This seminar is sponsored by the US SAILING Race Management Committee and US SAILING Area L. It is designed for people with some race committee experience, and newcomers, who wish to become certified under US SAILING's race officer certification program as a US SAILING Club Race Officer.

LOCATION AND SEMINAR SCOPE

The program will be presented at the Vancouver Lake Sailing Club in Vancouver, Washington, and will begin at 0800 and end at 1730. The topics to be covered include race committee objectives, competition formats, sailing instructions, race committee jobs, race committee equipment, race day preparations, setting the course, starts, during the race, finishing, post-race responsibilities, and scoring.

YOUR INSTRUCTORS

The principal instructor for this seminar will be Bill Gage. Bill is a US SAILING National Race Officer and the Area G Race Officer. He will be assisted by George Yioulos, of West Coast Sailing

HOW TO PREPARE & WHAT TO EXPECT

At the seminar, you will need your own copy of the *Racing Rules of Sailing* ("RRS") and you will be given a copy of *Join the Race Committee Team*. To prepare for the seminar you should try to answer the Study Questions, available on the US SAILING web site under Basic Seminar Study Questions. Please bring the questions and your answers with you to the seminar.

The Club Race Officer Certification Test will be given at the end of the seminar and is optional. However, to be certified as a US SAILING Club Race Officer under US SAILING's race officer

certification program, you must complete the basic seminar and pass the test. You will also need to have your own copy of the current US SAILING Race Management Handbook and meet the program's other criteria. An application for certification will be provided to each participant in this seminar.

THE DAY'S SCHEDULE

0800	Registration and continental breakfast
0830	Seminar begins
1200	Lunch
1645	Test
1715	Test debriefing
1730	Seminar concludes

SEMINAR FEES

The fees for this seminar are as follows:

- \$25 for US SAILING members
- \$45 for non-members

Seminar fees cover continental breakfast, refreshments for an afternoon break, lunch, all seminar materials, your own copy of *Join the Race Committee Team*, instruction, and administration of the test.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED

You can locate info on the US SAILING web site at (www.ussailing.org). Click on the calendar, then search for the seminar by clicking on "Select a specific category", then "Race Admin Education – Race Officer"; then "All Future Events" and "Search". This will provide seminar info. "Register via Mail", to PIYA, P O Box 523. Olympia, WA 98507 You can obtain forms at www.ussailing.net/piya For additional information, contact Jan Visser at jan@ussailing.net