

**2009/ 10 FrostBite Sailing Series**  
Sponsored by the Bent Rudder Syndicate (BRS)

This year marks Bent Rudder's 13<sup>th</sup> year sponsoring both FrostBite series racing!! BRS began this series as an attempt to provide a series that is mostly FUN; a way to find friendly competition, improve our sailing skills and share time with fellow sailors. Although this is meant to be a fun series, race rules must apply in order to promote safety on the water. Race starts will be held on Saturday afternoons (dates below) at **1:00pm** in the vicinity of government marker 25. Please monitor VHF Ch 72 for sailing instructions and courses prior to the race start. A \$25.00 donation (per boat) is being requested to offset the cost of the entire series.

**Note:** Feel free to check out our website containing race results, photo gallery, NOR, etc...

**Website:** [bentruddersyndicate.com](http://bentruddersyndicate.com)

**Race Rules**

1. The series will consist of 8 races. See dates below.
2. There will be 3 throw out races allowed. You must complete 5 of 8 races to qualify for the series.
3. Races will be cancelled at the discretion of the race committee prior to starts due to varied weather conditions (ex. Winds greater than 25 knots sustained, rain, etc.)
4. A race shall consist of a minimum of 3 boats.
5. PHRF ratings will be used for time on time.
6. Starting sequence shall consist of a 3 blast warning horn at 6 min (at 1:00), a 5 min. horn a 4 min. horn, a 1 min. horn and a start horn.
7. Honor all government marks not labeled as course marks and obey all Sailing Federation Rules of Racing.
8. If any boat uses its engine to clear a grounding situation it must complete one penalty turn immediately once under sail.
9. All boats must carry a VHF radio and a stopwatch.
10. All boats must turn in their own **ELAPSED** time from their own stopwatch. We do not have the ability to keep a start clock and mark time for each boat. If you are unable to give us an elapsed time that you know to be accurate at the end of the race, **YOU WILL NOT BE SCORED FOR THAT RACE.** If you are not going to give an elapsed time please do not participate.
11. Times will be taken once the committee boat completes the race. Times must be received before your boat leaves the race area unless indicated otherwise by race committee.
12. There will be a 3 hour time limit for the 1<sup>st</sup> boat to cross the finish line. All other boats must finish within an hour of that time to qualify for the race.

**If there is any chance that you have violated a basic rule of racing, please take your penalty turns and get back in the race, all protests to be handled "On The Water" between skippers.**

**Race Dates**

Nov 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, Dec 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, Feb 13<sup>th</sup>

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