

2022 SCORING SUMMARY

This document provides a summary of how the North Sound Party Circuit will be scored this year. Online scoring will be updated shortly after each event is completed at <u>partycircuit.org</u>.

- **Eight events** constitute the Party Circuit, including one buoy event and one distance race per participating yacht club (Anacortes, Bellingham, Oak Harbor, and Orcas Island). Events are as listed at <u>partycircuit.org</u>.
- No signup is necessary. Every boat that is scored in one or more of the Party Circuit events will automatically be scored for the Party Circuit.
- A team may include up to two boats with the same skipper. For example, a team may use a small boat for buoy events and a larger boat for distance races. Please email info@partycircuit.org to establish your team BEFORE an event when a second boat will be used.
- **Performance points** are awarded for an individual boat/team. These points are based on results at each event and are awarded to the top ten finishers. First place will receive 10 points, second 9 points, and so on.
 - In an event with overall scoring (e.g., distance races), the top 10 overall will be scored regardless of division placing.
 - In an event without overall scoring, the top 10 in each division will be scored. If there are fewer than seven boats that enter and start at least once in a division, first place will score one less point for each boat less than seven. For example, in a division with five boats starting, the first-place boat would score 8 merit points, as five entries is two fewer than seven. The second-place boat would then score 7 points and so on. This scoring recognizes that it is more difficult to win in a larger division, plus race organizers will be encouraged, to keep divisions to at least seven boats.
- **Two throw-outs are allowed for teams entered in at least six events.** No throw-outs are allowed for boats entered in fewer than six events. Entered = paid registration.
- Awards will be provided for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd overall for the season. An award will also be provided for top scoring double-handed team, courtesy of the <u>PNW</u> <u>Shorthanded Sailing Society</u>. To be eligible for this award, a team must sail double-handed in ALL eligible events.