

### **Modified High Point Scoring – How it Works**

The modified High Point Scoring we will use as a Trial for 2022 is straightforward to apply.

The first boat to finish scores points equal to the number of boats that started the race. So, in a 12 boat fleet for example, the first boat to finish scores 12 points.

The second boat to finish scores one point less than the first boat and so on until the last boat, which scores one point, assuming that all boats that started the race also finish the race.

If boats do not finish the race they have started or are subsequently disqualified from the race, they will each score one point for having taken part.

In the event boats that started do not finish the race, then the last boat to finish will score points equal to its finishing place, based on the total number of starters. So, in a 12 boat fleet, where 3 boats do not finish, the first boat to finish will score 12 points, the second boat to finish will score 11 points and the last boat to finish will score 4 points. The 3 boats which did not finish will each score one point.

For the mathematically inclined, the points scored by a boat can be expressed as follows:

Points = R-P+1, where R is the number of boats starting and P is the boat's finishing position.

How is the number of boats that have started a race determined? Normally, this is the number of boats that cross the start line, including premature starters that either do or do not return to start properly. However, there may be occasions when a boat comes out to race but due to circumstances does not cross the start line. If the PRO team believes the boat had the intention to start the race, for example it sailed in the vicinity of the start line in the 10 minute period prior to the start and the PRO team has recorded its sail number, then that boat will be included in the number of boats that started the race and will receive one point. This approach is the same as has been used for many years and is included for completeness.

### **Silver Fleet Scoring**

Silver Fleet boats race as part of the overall Sunbeam fleet and score points based on their finishing position in the overall fleet.

Where Silver Fleet trophies are identified for a race series, the finishing positions for Silver Fleet boats from the overall fleet results will be entered into a separate Silver Fleet table and added together to calculate the Silver Fleet results, using the same criteria such as discards as are used for the overall results.

A trophy will be awarded to the leading Silver Fleet boat in the race series. Boats finishing in second and third positions may be awarded glasses, depending on the number of Silver Fleet boats taking part.

Where a Silver Fleet boat wins an overall fleet trophy in a race series, then that boat's results will not be included in the Silver Fleet table calculation for that race series. However, if the race series also counts towards the Silver Fleet McMeekin Alchemy Candlesticks, then that boat's results will of course be used in the scoring for the McMeekin.

The above approach will be used for race series that use either High Point or Low Point scoring.

### **Silver Fleet Trophies**

For 2022 we plan to have Silver Fleet trophies for several race series, as well as the end of season V1, V2 and overall Silver Fleet McMeekin. The following race series have Silver Fleet trophies and are scored using either the modified HP or the RRS Low Point Scoring, as indicated:

Leith Trophy	HP
Classic Cowes Week	LPS
Cowes Week	LPS
Points Week	LPS
Harbour Club Regatta Trophy	LPS
V6 Saturday HW Series	HP
April Goblets	HP
V4 Chittagong Cup	LPS
Autumn Jubilee Bowl	HP

Silver Fleet trophies for the above race series will be calculated as described in the Silver Fleet Scoring section.

### **McMeekin Challenge Cup and Alchemy Candlesticks Scoring**

Please note the scoring approach described here applies to the McMeekin trophies for both the overall and Silver fleets.

The best 20 results from the qualifying race series and regattas described in Section 7 of the ISC handbook are used to calculate the McMeekin results, using the modified High Point Scoring described above.

Where a boat has sailed 20 qualifying races or less, then all qualifying results for that boat will be used for the McMeekin calculation. No additional points will be applied to take account of missing races.

For race series scored using the modified High Points Scoring (such as the V1 and V2 races), the score for each individual race (including races discarded for the purposes of the race series) will be entered into the McMeekin scoring table. In calculating the results for the April Goblets two extra bonus points are added for starts during April. These bonus points are not carried into the scores for other trophies.

The overall result of a HPS race series will not be entered into the McMeekin scoring table. Where a modified HPS race has been used for more than one McMeekin qualifying race series (for example, some races count towards V1 or V2 races as well as towards the V6 series), the results of that race will only be entered once into the McMeekin scoring table.

For qualifying race series and regattas scored using RRS Appendix A low points, the results of each individual race (including races discarded for the purposes of a race series) will be converted using the modified High Point Scoring approach described above and used for the McMeekin calculation. The overall result of a low points race series will not be entered into the McMeekin scoring table.