HalSail FAQ

How do I set up the table of discards (excluded races) for a series?

Racing Rules of Sailing states in Appendix A that a boat's worst race score may be excluded (discarded) from her series score when computing the overall results of a series. In fact, the notice of race or sailing instructions often state that more than one race may be excluded in longer series.

This is implemented in HalSail by means of a table of races sailed versus races to count, which is part of the setup page for each series and is accessed under the Schedule menu. First find the series you are looking for and go to its edit page.

Set up the table of discards as required. For instance if the SIs state that 1 race may be excluded if at least 3 are sailed and 2 may be excluded if 5 or more are sailed in a 6 race series, you would set up the table as follows:

Races sailed	Races to count	Explanation
1	1	No discard
2	2	No discard
3	2	1 discard
4	3	1 discard
5	3	2 discards
6	4	2 discards

Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix A goes on to explain how the particular race scores to be excluded are chosen. These rules are implemented in HalSail so that the overall series score is computed automatically from the race scores.

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