HalSail FAQ

How do I protect my data with a Hal file?

HalSail protects your data with regular backups, so that if anything happens at the server it can be restored. The most you should lose if that happens is anything you entered during the last day or so.

However that does not protect you from errors at your end. What happens if somebody erroneously deletes a boat from your account, together with all its results? HalSail gives you lots of warnings before you can do that, but sometimes such things happen.

The solution is to make regular backups of your own, using the 'Save to Hal file' item in the Admin menu. You download the Hal file and store it somewhere safe locally. If you ever need to restore the data in your account, you use the 'Load data from Hal file' option in the Admin menu.

You can also open a Hal file with the PC version of Hal, Hal's Race Results, should you want to do some off-line manipulation.

Note: protecting your data by saving it to a Hal file is not the same thing as sending your data to the archive server.

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