**HalSail FAQ**

**How do I specify the handicap to be used by each boat?**

A different handicap is allocated in HalSail to each boat in each class (fleet) in which it takes part. So a boat may have different handicaps in different classes. Indeed the different classes may have different types of handicap, one might use NHC and another IRC, for instance. Some classes may race level without handicaps.

To allocate a handicap to a boat in a class find the boat using the *Boat* menu. Bring up the edit page for the boat and click against the class whose handicap you wish to set. You edit the popup form to set a handicap.

Handicaps can vary with time. You can set more than one handicap per boat in each class, different handicaps to start at different times. The earliest handicap is marked as *from the beginning*, but you can add a new handicap to start at a particular time on a particular date.

The handicap that will be used in a particular race depends on the dates set. If a series is marked in the schedule as *handicaps can vary* then the handicap used will be that valid at the start of the race. If the series is not marked as *handicaps can vary* the handicap used will be that valid at the start of the first race in the series.

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