HalSail FAQ

What series scoring systems are available?

The scoring system is set for each series individually on its edit page. The overall score for the series is the sum of the individual race scores, with allowance for any excluded races (discards).

Low-points systems

The vast majority of series are scored using the low-points system set out in Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix A.

- **LP** - A boat gets points equal to its place in the race. The lower a boat's score the better. This is the HalSail default and the system most commonly used worldwide.

There are also two variations on the usual low-points system:

- **BP** - Bonus points. Gives extra advantage to those coming in the first 7 places.
- **P75** - Low points but with the advantage of 0.75 points for coming first.

High-points system

In high-points systems, the higher a boat's score the better. The following high-points system is available:

- **HP** - Each boat that comes to the start gets 1 point. Each finisher gets an extra point + the number of boats beaten.
  So if there are 12 boats that come to the start in a race (ie boats scored something other than DNC) the boat that comes 4th gets 10 points (1 for being there + 1 for finishing + 8 for beating eight boats). Boats that come to the start but do not finish get 1 point. Boats that do not compete get 0 points.

Summary

The following table shows the points allocated in each of these systems. The high-points results are based on a race with 12 competitors and 10 finishers.

	Low points best			**High points best**
Place	**LP**	**BP**	**P75**	**HP**
1	1	0	0.75	13
2	2	3	2	12
3	3	5.7	3	11
4	4	8	4	10
5	5	10	5	9
6	6	11.7	6	8
7	7	13	7	7
8	8	14	8	6
9	9	15	9	5
10	10	16	10	4

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