

# Hayward Western Hemisphere Trophy

**Emblematic of:** Western Hemisphere & Orient (WH&O) Championship, held on alternate years with the World Championship

**Donated by:** Commodore John T. Hayward, Tulsa, Oklahoma, USA

**Owned by:** SCIRA

**Awarded to:** Fleet of the winning skipper for a period of two years

**Open to:**

1. Five qualified teams from each country in the Western Hemisphere & Orient in good standing with SCIRA
  - Preference including the national champion and runner-up for the current year
  - All competing skippers and crews must be members in good standing with fleet, country and Association
  - All skippers must be citizens or bona fide resident for at least one year, of the country they represent
  - Each skipper must present credentials signed by his National Secretary attesting that skipper is the entrant

## **Additional entries not included in the 5 qualified team quota as follows:**

2. The current World Champion (providing it represents a WH&O nation) automatically qualifies
3. The current WH&O Champion automatically qualified for entry to defend his title.
4. The prior year North American, South American and Orient Champion automatically qualifies (providing each represents that continent)
5. One current year, top junior qualifier each from: North America, South America and Orient regions
6. One current year, top woman qualifier each from: North America, South America and Orient regions

## **Reallocation – in the event that the total entries do not meet a total of 50 boats:**

1. Registration period begins 6 months prior to the start of the Championship or upon posting of the NOR. "Registration" is defined as a skipper who has satisfied requirements outlined in 1. above and has paid to the regatta organizing authority the full registration fee and charter fee (if applicable) as specified on the Official Regatta website or via equivalent means. This registration period ends a minimum of three months prior to the official start of the Championship.
2. If 3 months prior to the start of the Championship, countries in good standing with SCIRA have not registered 5 eligible teams, and the number of registered entrants has not reached 50 teams, those unassigned entry slots will be reallocated to a pool of qualified entrants. The number of entries available for reallocation will be the difference between the fleet limit of 50 and entries registered during the initial registration period.
  - a) SCIRA and the organizing authority shall post, within one week of the close of the initial registration period to the Official Regatta website, or equivalent means, the number of additional entries available and the assigned allocation to those countries requesting additional entries.
  - b) Reallocated entries will not count toward the initial per country limit.
  - c) Those countries eligible for additional entries (registered their 5 teams) will have from the time of posting until 8 weeks prior to the start of the Championship to register additional entries.
  - d) Any unfilled reallocated entry not registered 8 weeks prior, shall lose that entry which will then be made available on a "first come" basis only from a received valid registration.
  - e) The Regatta Chairman or National Secretary and the General Secretary of the WH&O will oversee the allocation.

**Regatta Conditions:** "Rules for Conducting National and International Regattas" are specific instructions furnished by the International Technical Committee and approved by the SCIRA Board of Governors. These instructions shall be followed in all respects.

1. Nine or eleven races, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official website ([www.snipe.org](http://www.snipe.org)). Races shall be managed to last approximately 60-75 minutes. A different time used to complete the race will not be grounds for protest.
2. The fastest schedule approved is as follows:
  - First, second and third days, 2 races
  - Fourth day, 2 races
  - Fifth day, 2 races
3. The preferred schedule is no more than 2 races per day, but a 3 race day is permissible only to make up missed races; to ensure enough races to constitute a regatta; or to meet the 11 race maximum.
4. If 6 to 8 races are completed, the worst race shall be dropped, including a disqualification. If 9 to 11 races are completed, the two worst races shall be dropped, including a disqualification. If 5 or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted.
5. 3 races shall constitute a regatta.
6. The country holding the regatta shall make available at least two (2) boats for charter to each country participating.
7. The same skipper must sail in all races and can be replaced after the first race only, and then only if the skipper is incapacitated. If a skipper is replaced in this manner, the first race shall be the race dropped. The same crew shall sail in all races except for reasons satisfactory to the race committee. All skippers shall use their own sails.
8. A skipper's meeting prior to the races shall be held and special rules, etc. shall be clarified and explained.

**Trophy Responsibility and Conditions:** The name of the winning skipper, his country and the year shall be engraved at the winning fleet's expense. Responsibility for the trophy shall lie with the winning fleet.

**Revisions of this Deed of Gift:** By majority vote of the Board of Governors of SCIRA.