Series Scores with Hash (#) Characters

Background

The # indicates missing or changed data somewhere in that race which may or may not affect the result.

Such errors are reflected in the series score page with a hash symbol (#) beside the errored boat.

It is most important to resolve these as they occur; otherwise it may take hours to resolve at a later date, with the likelihood of errors being made during the fixing process.

Scenario One

For example, if you first enter a boat into R10 and then it races in future races then all is good. If you *then* go back and put the boat into (say) Race 5 of that series, you will confused the system.

TopYacht has recorded that the "first race" for that boat as R10. It now finds an entry/ result in R5 but has no idea of your intentions for races 6 => 9 inclusive.

This can also happen if you alter a Casual/Visitor to become a Series Entrant.

If the boat raced a Casual in R5 and R7, then at R10 raced but become a series entrant: what should you do?

➢ Go to the first race in which they raced

➢ Convert them to a Series Entrant (Select that race, then **Admin | Maintain | For this Series | Alter Cas Ent to Sers Ent**….) Then enter them into that race.

➢ Process that race. For races in which they were not previously an entrant (6, 8 & 9) you must manually add them **before** processing that race (Use Step 6 for **each** race).

➢ If this process is not followed the # will appear for the affected race/s.

To Remove a Boat from Races Before a Nominated Race:

1. From the main screen go to Step 1 Select Series.

2. Note the Series ID.

3. Open that series AND go to the last race that has results.

4. **Admin Mode | Maintain | Config**. Theb hold down the Ctrl key and click the 'M' key.

5. Bottom right, press the "Entrants" button.

6. Top Left fill in the Series ID you just noted eg "1".

7. Press the "Get Data 1" button.

8. In the left most table of data, scroll down to the boat of interest.

9. Copy the name of the boat into the "BoatName" box, top left. This is case and space sensitive so make it an exact copy.

10. Press the "Boat Filter" button beside the Boat Name.

11. This then shows you that boat in three columns. From left to right these are: Series Entrant, Race Entrants, Results.

12. Top right: click the "Boat First Race" button. This shows the "First Race" as stored by TY in the Series Entrant table and the First time the boat appears in results.

13. Once you have decided which race to use as the nominated "First Race" then enter that number in the "RNo" box, top right.

14. Press the "Remove Before" button to right.

15. Wait 5 seconds.

16. Press "Get Data 1" button.

17. Press the "Boat Filter" button to see the outcome.

NOTES:

The removal of this boat will probably alter the scores of others. Reprocess ALL races (bottom left most small gray button on process screen- be very carful to absorb each question that then appears!!!!! You must be a last race with results!). This will OVER WRITE any previously manually-edited scores and possibly mess up the computed handicaps as well!

So, only do this if you really must; and do a backup first.

18. Check out the Series Scores.

Scenario Two

Changing Boat Class

TopYacht permits the changing of an (OtB) boat class within a division.

For example:

Laser Full-rig, Laser Radial, and Laser 4.7 fleet starting in Division Number 3 may change rigs without causing errors.

On the day of racing, a competitor may choose to swap rigs, race, and providing the scorer is aware of the rig change and changes the class, the new yardsticks will be applied appropriately.

However, if the Full-Rigs and Radials race in **different Division (numbers)** and the class is changed either in TES (downloaded using step 6a) or by the TopYacht operator (using step 6), errors will result

The ONLY option is to create a separate competitor with a unique sail number, and treat it as a separate competitor. (xxxxxx ~ xxxxxxR)

As a consequence if a competitor races with one rig one week, and another the next, there will be two DNC scores, one in each race where there is no time stamp.

If there is a moral to this, try to convince competitors to only use one rig in a given series

Further Reading

Rescoring an Old Race ~ The Implications
Rescore All Races in this Series (TopYacht HELP topic)

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