SuperYacht Racing Association



An organization for the benefit of yacht owners, companies and individuals who participate in superyacht racing

SYRA's member yacht owners, regatta organizers and companies address current and ongoing challenges that are unique to superyacht racing. The organization brings value to yacht owners in the form of safe racing, fair competition, and increased participation. Members have a voice in shaping and influencing the important issues that are unique to superyacht racing.

The staff and voluntary committees are the advocates who work toward resolution and continued progress on an ongoing, committed basis. While many yacht owners and captains find it difficult to personally commit time to address the organization's mission, others in the industry participate in the committees and working groups. Whether individual members contribute their time or financial support through membership, they help enable the SYRA to provide a clear and collective voice in support of its mission.

The stated Mission of the SuperYacht Racing Association is to enhance the enjoyment of super yacht owners by pursuing all possible measures to ensure safe and fair racing along with meaningful competition.

Meaningful Accomplishments:

Safety

- SY specific Appendix to the Racing Rules
- Regatta racing rules seminars
- Mandatory RRS afterguard member program
- Onboard safety manual and guides
- Consistent Man Overboard (MOB) policy
- Purchased/manage range finders for regatta organizers

Fleet Building

- "Corinthian Spirit Class" initiative
- "90 foot Class" initiative
- Participation and event tracking and reporting

Fair Racing - Handicapping

- Initiated creation of a fully transparent rule
- Engaged and collaborated with the ORC
- Ongoing collaboration and advocacy with ORC utilizing an SYRA technical consultant

Examples of Ongoing Actions:

- Keep safe racing at the forefront of SYRA priorities
- Review of and updates to the World Sailing's RRS Appendix SY / Case Study updates and reviews
- Expand Executive Committee composition for broader superyacht racing representation
- Refine Corinthian Spirit Class policy / oversight, collaboration with the ORC on this initiative
- Ensure that all superyacht regattas are "SYRA Sanctioned Regattas"
- Case Study updates and reviews
- Advocacy for timely delivery and review of the updated annual VPP by ORC
- Promote and launch the 90' Class Initiative
- Identify and address specific handicapping issues with ORC (e.g. "big boat vs. small boat" and OPF's)

The SuperYacht Racing Association (SYRA) was founded in 2011. The 34 Charter Members believed that there was an urgent need to address important and unique superyacht racing issues. The SYRA is committed to continuing to address and improve all aspects in the unique sport of superyacht racing.

For more information or to apply for membership: <u>Peter@SuperYRA.org</u>

Communications

- Meetings at regattas (AGM and committee meetings)
- Association web site <u>superyra.orq</u>
- Periodic SYRA newsletters
- Topical emails / conference calls

Organization and Committees Committee Lists

- Five committees (Excom / RRS / Fair Racing-Handicapping, Fleet Building / Onboard Safety)
- Staff active on all committees

RRS Afterguard Members <u>*RRS Info*</u>

- Initiative to define and create this critical role
- Support for Event Organizers through review and advocacy

Consistency at Regattas - Forms and Documents

- Consistency with policy at all superyacht regattas
- Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, Exhibits
- Daily Declaration reports (safe and fair racing)
- Use of GPS tracking, range finders