

HalSail FAQ

How does HalSail handle boats that have equal scores in overall series results?

This FAQ describes how HalSail breaks ties between boats that have the same number of points in a series. There is a separate FAQ dealing with boats that tie for a place in an individual race.

There are two steps to the tie-breaking procedure. Usually ties are broken using the first step, but if that fails the second step is used. If neither step breaks the tie, then the boats are ranked equally in the series.

Step 1. Count back The boat with more first places beats the boat with fewer first places. If both have the same number of first places (or none) look at the number of second places. Continue until one of the boats has more of a particular place than the other. Excluded (discarded) places are ignored.

Step 2. Later race precedence The boat with the better score in the last race beats the boat with poorer score in the last race. If they both have the same score in the last race, look at the next-to-last race, etc. No races are excluded in this step.

This procedure is as specified in Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 Appendix A para A8.1 and A8.2.

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