

September 25, 2006

To: All DRYA Members
 Subject: Proposed DRYA Handicap Review Board changes for the 2007 Season

Listed below, after our Fall Boat Review, are the changes to local PHRF handicaps that are being proposed for 2007 from the DRYA Handicapping Review Board's (HRB) Fall Boat Review. These are **proposed** changes, only. As part of this letter we've provided a short rationale regarding the proposed changes. The Handicap Review Board (HRB) has made no final decision with respect to these recommendations. The boat/s listed below will be posted to the DRYA Handicapping Forum on the Internet: www.DRYA.org. Interested persons are invited to use the Forum to post any information or comments that may be useful in evaluating the boat for handicapping purposes. Persons who wish to meet and review these proposed change/s with the handicappers might do so, starting in early January 2007. Further information will follow.

REQUESTED BY	SAIL NO.	BOAT NAME	<u>PROPOSED</u> CHANGE TO 2006 BASE RATING	<u>PROPOSED</u> 2007 BASE & RACE RATING (WITHOUT CREDITS)	
				BASE	RACE
HRB 091806	25583	Cool Air	+3	111T	111T
HRB 091806	25523	Rapture	-3	108T	108T
HRB 091806	35427	Epic	-6	66S	54S
HRB 091806	25524	Grizzly	+3	78T	78T
HRB 091806	202	Rum Blur	-6 PHRF	96T PHRF	96T PHRF
HRB 091806	15381	Marksman	No Change	144	144
HRB 091806	817	Wundertraum	No Change	261	261
Owner	25480	Sundance Beneteau First 265	+12	186T	198T

Additionally, **owners and competitors can request a rating review or challenge a review as listed above**. In order to maintain consistency in the handicap review process we have prepared a standardized form that must be completed in order to have a boat put on the review list. That form can be requested from the DRYA office or downloaded from the DRYA website and is available in PDF or Word format by going to: <http://www.drya.org>. Click on "Member Forum" – Top of home page, under Review, click on DOC or PDF to download the document. The above forms can also be found on the DRYA website – Handicapping section, left side on the home page.

Persons who wish to meet with the handicappers to discuss the rating of any boat may do so. We will be meeting on Mondays starting in early January 2007, for this purpose. **IMPORTANT:** No boat's rating will be open for review, however, unless the **Review/Appeal Form** (available on both the DRYA website and the Member Forum) has been completed and sent to me along with any attachments no later than **December 1, 2006. This is a firm deadline.** Any documentation for rating changes received after December 1, 2006 date **will not** be acted upon for the 2007-racing season.

The DRYA Handicap Review Board has already received the necessary forms from one owner requesting a change in their boat's rating, for 2007 (it can be found in the above chart). Those forms are available upon request along with any others that come in between now and December 1, 2006.

There will be a number of times for owners, competitors and interested members to meet with the DRYA Handicap Review Board. Additionally, there is a new appeal process in place, which can be found in Section 15 and on the DRYA website (home page) in order to provide for a fair assessment of all rating changes for 2007.

If you have any questions, the best way to contact us is via e-mail. Additionally, any comments or concerns can be discussed through the DRYA, click on "**Members Forum**" at www.drya.org. A fax to the DRYA Office is the next best.

Your understanding of the complete handicapping process is of great importance to us. I trust this letter has been helpful.

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