



Selection Decision

regarding the method of calculation for
National Optimist Ranking
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Following concerns raised regarding the method of point allocation for the National Optimist Ranking, the full SingaporeSailing Selection Panel (including both internal and external selectors) has reviewed the following:

- The recommendations of the National Optimist Program Review Panel (Nov 2009) regarding the changes to the National Optimist Ranking System
- The intent behind these recommendations
- The effect of implementation of these recommendations on the current ranking list

The Selection Panel notes:

- That the principles of the selection system should be upheld being to reward those who are consistent and in 'current form'
- That it was not intended to have an overall ranking list containing both Gold & Silver fleet sailors
- That there are issues with the points allocation through this transition period and that these will be resolved automatically following a full 'refresh' of the four regattas in each sailors ranking
- That the points allocation for the 2009 NOSS regatta (held before implementation of the current system) is affecting the fairness of the ranking list
- That there is no published way to break a tie in total ranking points should it be required

After considering the above, the Selection Panel deems that the following shall occur:

1. That the point allocation for the 2009 NOSS regatta be amended to match those of the other three events held in 2010 as follows;
 - Points in the Gold Fleet ranking will be awarded to sailors who sailed in the 2009 NOSS regatta Gold Fleet using the inverted points system with 79 points being awarded for first place (total of 79 competitors in the NOSS Gold Fleet).
 - Sailors who are in the 2010 Gold Fleet but did not race in the 2009 NOSS regatta Gold Fleet will be awarded zero points
2. That any ties in the total ranking points will be broken using the Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix A (scoring) counting the most number of first places, and then the most number of second places and so on. The final regatta position of each sailor in each event in the ranking list shall be what is considered for the purpose number of first places and so on.
3. That the above principles should also be applied to the Silver Fleet ranking list