This seminar is sponsored by US Sailing and hosted by Milwaukee Yacht Club. It is designed for people who have some race committee experience, but newcomers are also welcome. It will be held at the Milwaukee Yacht Club, will begin at 0800 and end at 1730.

The topics covered include: RC objectives, RC responsibilities, sailing instructions, RC jobs, RC equipment, setting the course, starting system, starting penalties, before the start, during the race, finishing, and scoring. The changes in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016* that affect race management will be discussed.

The principal instructor for the seminar is John Strassman. John is a US Sailing National Race Officer and a member of US Sailing Race Management Committee. Rich Reichelsdorfer will assist. Rich is a Regional Race Officers and Executive Director of Sail Sheboygan.

There is a new edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016* (“RRS”) There are a few new entries which will affect Race Management. If you are a US Sailing member, you should have received a copy in the fall of 2012. If you are not a US Sailing member, you can either join US Sailing and get a copy free, or purchase one from the US Sailing store (<http://store.ussailing.org/>). You will be given a copy of *Join the Race Committee Team* at the seminar.

To prepare for the seminar you should try to answer the Study Questions, which are available on the US Sailing web site at: [http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Race\_Officers/CertificationTraining/Race\_Officer\_Seminars/Materials\_Required\_for\_Seminars.htm](http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Race_Officers/CertificationTraining/Race_Officer_Seminars/Materials_Required_for_Seminars.htm%20) and look for One Day Race Management Seminar Study Questions. The entire explanation of the US SAILING Race Officer Training & Certification program can be found at <http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Race_Officers/CertificationTraining.htm> .

The Club Race Officer certification test, which is given at the conclusion of the seminar, is optional. However, in order to be certified as a US Sailing Club Race Officer, you are required to attend a complete seminar and to pass the test. In order to be certified as a Club Race Officer you will also need to have your own copy of the current US Sailing *Race Management Handbook*, and meet the program’s other criteria. The 2012 edition of the *Race Management Handbook* will soon be available from the US Sailing online store.

The seminar fee $60.00 for US Sailing members ($105.00 for non-members) includes: continental breakfast, morning and afternoon breaks, lunch and all seminar materials.

**It is required that participants register on-line by using the US Sailing online registration system on the US Sailing web site http://www. ussailing.org.**  Starting at the front page of the US SAILING website, follow the links through the Rules & Officials, Race Officers, Certification & Training tabs on the left. Then click on Race Officer Seminars and then to Seminar Calendar. Locate the seminar and then click on “Register Online” and follow the directions. Non-US Sailing members who register for this seminar, will be given a Special Introductory Membership, which includes a US Sailing one year adult membership. This membership will be activated after the seminar.

**Advance registration is required, as the number of participants is limited.**

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