

EC 12 Class Regatta Schedule Policy

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The EC12 Class is one of the most active, with AMYA sanctioned clubs hosting over 22 multi-day regattas each year. There are also single day regattas and local sailing events happening at the same time.

One might think that with 52 weeks in a year, it would be relatively easy to find conflict free dates for 23 events. Not so, as we try to have at least two weeks between events in the same region and the class as a whole. We have a good number of skippers who will travel to attend regattas. Some long distances are involved, another reason for two day regattas and to avoid conflicts with regional championships. Yes there are 52 weeks, but many weekends are not available. Some conflicts are inevitable.

We start the schedule for the next year with the date and location for the National Class Championship established and prior year regatta dates placed in the new year calendar. Clubs then can keep their previous approximate dates or request changes. Clubs that are hosting regional championships get priority on the schedule and we finalize the schedule for the next year in early November so it can be published in the *Model Yatching* issue closing in December. That puts the complete schedule in the first MY issue of the year.

We also have one day regattas and special events that are listed on 12 Discussions and the Regatta page at the class web site and are posted on the Class Website Home Page when they are coming up.

- Two-day events get precedence on the National Schedule.
- Traditional date periods should be honored for recurring events.
- Two weeks should be allowed between events where possible.
- Events in adjacent Regions should not be scheduled on the same week.
- Regional Championships should not be scheduled less than two weeks apart.
- Two weeks should be allowed before and after the National Championship.