



The world's only sustainability certification for water-based events.

To be a **CLEAN REGATTA** – you *DON'T* need a sustainability director, a big budget or 100 water stations

All you *NEED* is to **LOVE** protecting your water!

Clean Regattas offers race organizers, program directors and marina managers the support and resources necessary to reduce their environmental impact. One part education, two parts activation, Clean Regattas unites and mobilizes sailors by offering support and resources to help conserve and protect the ocean.

Since the programs inception in 2006, over 800 regattas, gams, rallies, sailing centers and cruises have registered as Clean Regattas. Whether it involves sailing, rowing or solar power – if you are hosting an event on the water this program is for you!



Clean Regattas is based upon 25 Best Practices that can be implemented by any water-based event.

EVENT MANAGEMENT

1. Assemble a Green Team
2. Paperless Regatta Management
3. Environmental Outreach
4. Public Engagement
5. Regatta Awards

FOOD AND BEVERAGE

6. Water Bottle Reduction
7. Water Refilling Stations
8. Sustainable Food Options
9. Responsible Dinnerware

WASTE REDUCTION

10. Recycling
11. Compost
12. Trash Free Regatta
13. Eliminate Single-use Bags
14. Good Waste Management

VENUE MANAGEMENT

15. Responsible Signage
16. Promote Alternative Transportation
17. Sustainable Energy Sources
18. Runoff Reduction
19. Carbon Offsets

RACE MANAGEMENT

20. No Discharge
21. Toxic-free Cleaning
22. Oil Spill Prevention
23. Maintenance
24. Efficient Power Boats
25. Wildlife and Habitat Protection

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6 STEP CERTIFICATION PROCESS

The backbone of every successful Clean Regatta comes from a strong sustainability plan. Follow these steps to create yours today:

1

REGISTER REGATTA

Visit <http://sailorsforthesea.org/programs/clean-regattas/register-online> to create an account and make your commitment to reducing the environmental impact at your event.

2

SELECT BEST PRACTICES

Registration will give you access to the Clean Regattas tool kit and the online checklist to select which best practices work for your event. Fill this form out to let us know which certification level you hope to achieve.

3

ASSEMBLE A GREEN TEAM

Your green team may be a party of 2 or 200, but ensure you have a core group dedicated to sustainability that will lead planning and communication of green initiatives.

4

PUBLICIZE

Share your commitment to Clean Regattas on your organization's home page, in your Notice of Race, and in communications to race participants.

5

DOCUMENT

In the days leading up and during your regatta, monitor Clean Regattas efforts and adapt as needed. Collect metrics and photographs to share for certification. Suggestions are located in the implementation portion of the toolkit.

6

GET CERTIFIED

Complete the certification form to get your official Clean Regattas certification. Regattas that wish to be certified at the Bronze (7+), Silver (13+), Gold (19+), or Platinum (70/75 sustainability indicators) Level must engage in a minimum number of Best Practices. If you have photos email them to robyn@sailorsforthesea.org.



STEPS TO SUSTAINABILITY

Best Practices for each certification level.



GETTING STARTED?

Do any **1** item on the Best Practices list to join the race to restore ocean health!