

# Sailing Instructions

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The notation '[DP]' in a Rule in the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation '[SP]' in a Rule in the Sailing Instructions means that a Standard Penalty applies for a breach of that Rule.

# 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions and special regulations (SR) of Australian Sailing Part 2 will apply.
- 1.3 The Class Rules and the Championship Rules of the International Contender Association (ICA) will apply.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix P "Special Procedures for Rule 42" will apply. RRS42 is changed per ICA Class Rule 22 and RRS Appendix P5.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix T Arbitration will apply.
- 1.6 Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the SI shall take precedence.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text shall take precedence.

#### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors shall be posted on the Official Online Notice Board.

# 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted at least ninety (90) minutes before the earliest warning signal on the day it shall take effect; except when any change to the schedule of races it shall be posted by 1800 hrs on the day before it shall take effect.

# 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore shall be displayed on the official flagpole located adjacent to the RQYS main rigging lawn.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes'. This changes race signal AP.

#### 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. The schedule for the Regatta is shown in Attachment 1.
- 5.2. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races shall begin soon, the orange starting line flag shall be displayed with one (1) sound at least five (5) minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.3. On the last day of the regatta for each class, no warning signal will be made after 1530 hrs.
- 5.4. After a race, subsequent races are scheduled to start as soon as possible.

#### 6. CLASS FLAG

6.1. The class flag to be used shall be the Contender Class insignia flag 'C'.

#### 7. RACING AREAS

The location of racing is shown in Attachment 2.

#### 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The course diagrams are shown in Attachment 3, including the order in which marks are to be passed.
- 8.2. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

#### MARKS

Marks, including starting and finishing marks, are described in Attachment 3.

#### 10. THE START

- 10.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.2. A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This amends RRS A4.

#### 11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark or move the finishing line and remove the old mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced it will be replaced by an original mark.

#### 12. THE FINISH

12.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

#### 13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 13.1. The target time for all races will be sixty (60) minutes.
- 13.2. The time limit for all races will be eighty (80) minutes.
- 13.3. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)
- 13.4. Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes of the first boat sailing the course and finishing will be scored DNF without a hearing.
- 13.5. This section 13, changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

### 14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1. Protest forms are available online through the Official Online Notice Board or at the Regatta Office.

  Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2. For each class, the protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 14.3. Notices will be posted no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, beginning at the time posted.
- 14.4. Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.5. The time and place of the mediation hearing will be decided by the mediator and such advice may be given verbally. One (1) representative of each boat shall attend the mediation hearing and no witnesses shall be allowed. The mediator shall decide the manner in which testimony is given.
- 14.6. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than thirty (30) minutes after the decision was posted. This amends RRS 62.2.
- 14.7. Breaches of Sailing Instructions marked [DP] and [SP] will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This amends RRS 60.1 (a).

#### 15. SCORING

15.1. Ten (10) races are scheduled for the regatta. A minimum of four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute the regatta

- 15.2. The number of races scheduled each day may change without an official 'change to the schedule of races being posted'.
- 15.3. The score discards in this regatta will be as per below:
  - i) When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of all her race scores.
  - ii) When six (6) to eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

    When nine (9) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her

#### 16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1. All skippers shall SIGN ON before racing each day and SIGN OFF at the earliest possible time after the completion of racing (but not later than the end of protest time). The sign on will be available near the rigging lawn two (2) hours prior to the first warning signal scheduled on the day of racing. [DP]
- 16.2. The skipper of a boat that retires or does not intend to continue racing is required to SIGN OFF immediately on return to shore. [DP]
- 16.3. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP]
- 16.4. Competitors shall comply with the following harbour bylaws:

race scores, excluding her worst two (2) scores.

i) All sailing vessels must give way to powered vessels at all times whilst inside the Manly Boat Harbour. Once outside the Manly Boat Harbour, competitors are to as soon as possible stay outside of the main channel. [DP]

# 17. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 17.1. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 17.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

#### 18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP]

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

# 19. EVENT ADVERTISING [DP]

Boats shall display any event advertising supplied by the organizing authority.

#### 20. OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked with the letter RC, J or Media.

#### 21. SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

- 21.1. It is a requirement of Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron that all coach and team boats are registered with the RQYS Sailing Office. Only registered boats will be allowed to launch, retrieve, berth and/or refuel at RQYS.
- 21.2. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 100m outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 21.3. Support boats shall be marked with an identifying sign or sticker incorporating a number. Support boats are required to register with the RQYS Sailing Office to acquire this sign or sticker and to supply the skipper's details, boats call sign, contact number and competitor they are representing.
- 21.4. When code flag 'W' is flown on the Start Vessel support boats are required by the race committee to remain afloat and assist all sailors.

### 22. TRASH DISPOSAL [DP]

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

## 23. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications not available to all boats.

#### 24. PRIZES

Prizes in the Australian Championship shall be awarded as follows: 1st, 2nd, 3rd outright placed boats. 1st Masters placed boat, 1st Grand Masters placed boat, 1st Junior placed boat, and the Peter Murphy Trophy.

#### 25. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participation in an event, a competitors automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at the discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for said event in which the competitor participated and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

#### 26. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

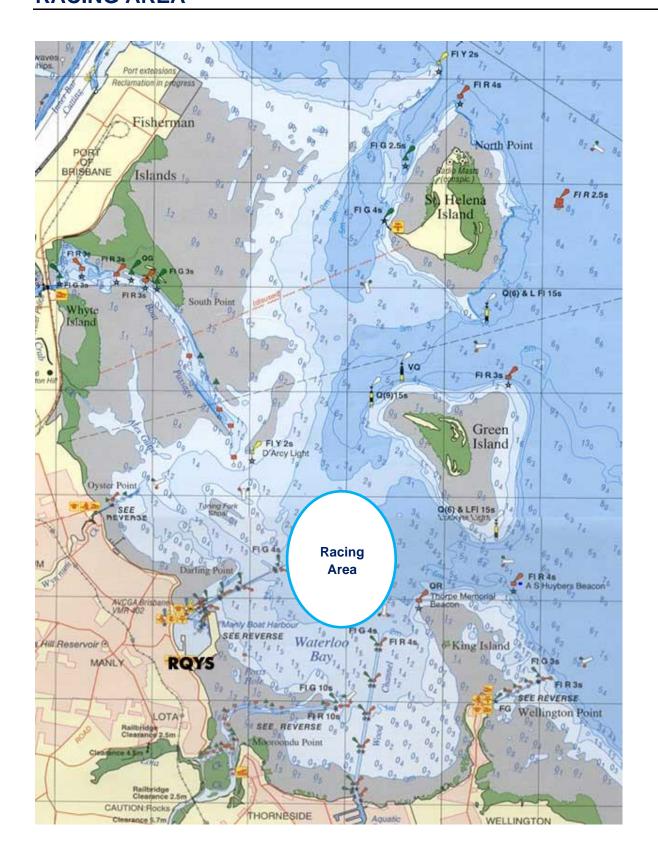
# 27. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000AUD per incident or the equivalent.

# ATTACHMENT 1 SCHEDULE

NOTE: Registration shall be held at the Regatta Office (new Sailing Academy classroom) which is located adjacent to the RQYS Girdis Function Room on the Southern side of the Main Rigging Lawn.

Monday 06 January 2020		
Registration at Regatta Office	0930 hrs – 1230 hrs	
Regatta Briefing in RQYS Auditorium	1130 hrs	
Championship Racing (Heats 1 – 3)	1300 hrs	
Drinks and Nibbles	After Racing	
Tuesday 07 January 2020		
Championship Racing (Heats 4 – 6)	1300 hrs	
Drinks and Nibbles	After Racing	
Wednesday 08 January 2020		
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Australian AGM in Commodores Lounge	0930 hrs	
Championship Racing (Heats 7 – 8)	1400 hrs	
Drinks and Nibbles	After Racing	
Thursday 09 January 2020		
Championship Racing (Heats 9 – 10)	1400 hrs	
Drinks, Nibbles and Presentation	After Racing	
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CODE	COURSE	MARKS DESCRIPTION
		Mark 1: Yellow Inflatable
L2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish	Marks 3, 2s & 2p: Orange Inflatable
		Start Pin: Orange Teardrop
		Finish Pin: Black and White Inflatable
		Change Mark: Purple Inflatable

