



South of Perth Yacht Club (Inc)

**NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
SPORTS BOATS SHORT COURSE REGATTA 28 & 29 NOVEMBER 2009**



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28 & 29 November 2009

Organised by South of Perth Yacht Club (Inc)

In conjunction with the Australian Sports Boats Association WA

Coffee Point Applecross WA

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The organising authority is the South of Perth Yacht club (Inc)
- 1.2 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.3 The class rules of the Australian Sports Boat Association (ASBA) will apply.

2 ADVERTISING

A boat wishing to display advertising shall notify the organising authority.

3* ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all Sports Boats as defined by the Australian Sports Boat Association, with a SMS rating above 0.755.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and returning it by hand or Email to the South of Perth Yacht Club Sports Boat Chairman Mr P. Dunbar.
- 3.3 Entries that do not have a current valid SMS certificate will only be eligible for the Performance based handicaps trophies.

4 CLASSIFICATION

Races are classified as Category 7.

5 FEES

There is no entry fee for the regatta. A small voluntary donation may be requested to provide items to the volunteers that assist in running the event.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Racing is scheduled for Saturday the 28th and Sunday the 29th November 2009, four races are scheduled for each day for a total of eight races.
- 7.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is 0900.

8 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat shall produce a valid SMS measurement certificate and handicap. Boats that fail to produce a valid certificate or handicap will only be eligible for the Performance based handicap trophies

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 9am on Thursday the 26th November 2009 at South of Perth Yacht Club and will also be distributed via Email to all boats that have registered interest in the regatta.

10 VENUE

The regatta will be hosted by the South of Perth Yacht Club with racing occurring on Melville Water East.

11 THE COURSES

- 11.1 The diagram in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left;
- 11.2 The races are two laps of a Windward – Leeward course with a downwind finish.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 The races will be scored by SMS handicap with the scoring in accordance with Low Points System described in Appendix A;

- 13.2 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series;
- 13.3 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores;
- 13.4 When from 6 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14 SUPPORT BOATS

Rescue boats shall be marked with green over white flag.

18 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

19 PRIZES

The following prizes will be presented will be presented for each race:

- (a) Pennants for first, second and third on SMS handicap;
- (b) A pennant for first on Performance handicap;
- (c) A fastest pennant;
- (d) An overall trophy for first place on SMS will be presented.

20 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.

21 INSURANCE

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

22 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact The On the Water Group at SoPYC or the SoPYC Sports Boat Chairman - Paul Dunbar pdunbar@midasresources.com.au or 0433 761 500.



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SPORTS BOAT SHORT COURSE REGATTA ENTRY FORM

Name Of Yacht:

Sail No: Design: (i.e. Elliot):.....

SMS Handicap:

Distinguishing Features (i.e. Colour):.....

Yacht Club.....

Skipper / Owner Name:.....

Address:.....

Telephone:..... Mobile:

Email:.....

Emergency Contact:

Name:.....Relationship:.....

Telephone:.....Mobile:

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INSURANCE

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

SKIPPER / OWNERS DECLARATION

I accept the above disclaimer and confirm my boat has the required insurance and the details above are correct.

Signed:.....

The sailing instructions will be as per the host club. Any changes to the host club's Sailing Instructions will be issued in writing prior to racing in accordance with that clubs Sailing Instructions.

Please deliver the completed Entry Form either by hand Form or via Email to Paul Dunbar or the Race Committee on the day.



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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Class Rules and Specifications of the Australian Sports Boats Association of WA will apply.
- 1.3 The SoPYC general Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for 2009-10 do not apply except as noted.

2 Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the foyer of the Clubhouse.

3 Changes to the Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 2 hours before a race in which it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

4 Not used

5 Race Schedule

DATE	WARNING SIGNAL	CLASS FLAG	COURSE AREA
28/11/09	0900	ASBA	Melville Water West (MWE)
29/11/09	0900	ASBA	Melville Water West (MWE)

Four back to back races are scheduled for each day. No warning signal will be made after 1245 hours each day.

6 Safety

The race is classified Category 7 and boats shall comply with YA Special Regulations Part 1 for Racing Boats.

7 Safety Regulations

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible, no later than the Finish Line Close Time.

8 The Course

The diagram in Attachment B shows the Windward/Leeward course. All marks are to be left to PORT. Marks 1 and 2 will be rounding marks. And the sequence will be: START – 1 – 2 – 1 – FINISH (downwind)

9 Marks

- 9.1 Marks 1 and 2 will be red inflatable buoys.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be a yellow inflatable buoy.
- 9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be the race committee boat displaying a SoPYC burgee at the starboard end and a black and white checked buoy at the port end.

9.4 A buoy with a green and white flag may be streamed from the stern of the race committee start boat. This buoy will be deemed to be part of the race committee boat and a boat shall not touch it or pass between it and the committee boat.

10 Areas That Are Obstructions

The following areas are designated obstructions that boats shall not enter, or cross, as applicable.

- (a) The area bounded by four navigation marks defining Heathcote Channel;
- (b) Boats shall pass all navigation marks on their deepwater side, except Outer Dolphin (17) which may be passed on either side;
- (c) Lines in Use: A conspicuous orange flag displayed at a start or finish line will identify a line in use by a river club. A boat shall not pass in either direction through a line in use except between its preparatory signal and starting, when finishing or when using a mark of the line as a rounding mark.
Navigation Marks: A boat that breaks this rule and notifies the race committee within the protest time limit will be penalised 40% in accordance with SI 18.4.

11 The Start

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
- 11.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been given shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

12 Change of the Next Leg of a Course

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 Boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard.

13 The Finish

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the port end and the starboard-end finishing mark (black and white chequered buoy).

14 Not used

15 Time Limit and Target Time

- 15.1 Time limits will be 45 minutes and the Finish Line Close Time will be 45 minutes after the start
- 15.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes or before the Finish Line Close Time whichever is the earlier will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

16 Protests, Requests for Redress and Mediation

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office located at the Clubhouse north foyer. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the race.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be conducted at the Club during the week following the event use, at a place and time to be notified by email.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.6 Breaches of instructions 11.3, 21, 23, 24 and 27 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

16.7 **Mediation**
Protests lodged in accordance with rule 61 which allege an infringement of a rule of Part 2, Part 4 or rule 28 will be subject to mediation in accordance with the Protest Mediation Guidelines in Attachment A.

17 **Scoring**

17.1 The number of races required to be completed to constitute a series shall be as notified in the Notice of Race.

17.2 Scoring for the regatta will be using the SMS handicap system, boats that do not have a valid SMS handicap will be ineligible to win the regatta on SMS. The RO will use an estimated SMS handicap as a starting point for performance based handicap results in accordance with rule 90.3.

17.2 In addition SoPYC boats will be scored in the Club Championship calculated in accordance with the SoPYC SI 20 after excluding boats from other clubs.

17.4 When the race committee becomes aware it may have made a scoring error, or when requested by a boat which lodges a Scoring Enquiry form, it may correct the error.

18 Not used.

19 **Replacement of Crew or Equipment**

19.1 A change of skipper may be allowed subject to the approval of the race committee.

20 **Equipment and Measurement Checks**

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.

21 **Advertising**

A boat intending to display advertising shall advise the race committee.

22 **Official Boats**

Official boats will display a SoPYC burgee.

23 **Support Boats**

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 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.

24 **Rubbish Disposal**

Boats shall not put rubbish in the water.

25 Not used.

26 Not used

27 **Radio Communication**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

28 **Prizes**

Prizes will be given in accordance with the Notice of Race.

29 **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.

30 Insurance

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

Attachment A – Protest Mediation Guidelines

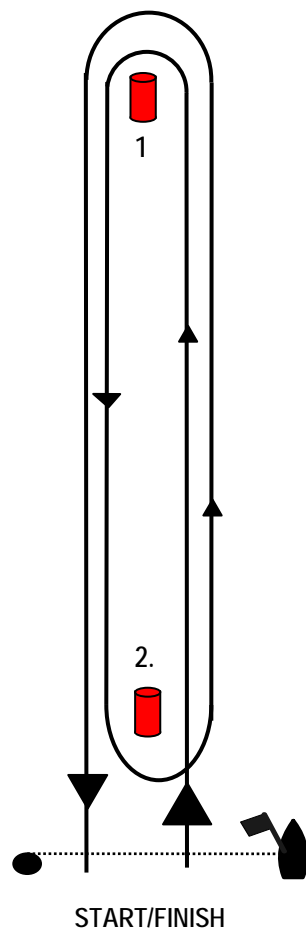
- A1 Mediation hearings will be conducted as soon as practicable after a protest is lodged and prior to any protest hearing.
- A2 A mediator will be appointed by the race committee and will decide the time and place of the hearing. Notice of the hearing may be given verbally.
- A3 A mediation hearing shall not proceed without a representative of each boat present. No witnesses will be allowed. The mediator will decide the manner in which testimony is given.
- A4 At the conclusion of the mediation hearing and in the presence of the parties the mediator shall make one of the following conclusions;
 - (a) The protest does not comply with rule 61 and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - (b) The matter shall proceed to a protest hearing for any reason decided by the mediator.
 - (c) No rule was broken and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - (d) A rule was broken by one or more of the boats involved; the infringing boat(s) may take a scoring penalty in accordance with rule 44.3(c) except that the penalty will be 40%. If so accepted the protestor shall withdraw the protest. This changes rule 63.1.
- A5 A mediation hearing shall not be re-opened. No conclusion of a mediator shall be subject to appeal or be grounds for redress.
- A6 Should the matter proceed to a protest hearing the mediator may be a member of the protest committee. The parties to the hearing may question evidence given by a mediator.

Attachment B – Course Diagram

Course: START – 1 – 2 – 1 – FINISH

Marks: RED inflatable buoys

New Mark: YELLOW inflatable buoy (SI 12.)



Attachment C – Boats and Handicaps

HANDICAPS FOR SPORTS BOATS SHORT COURSE REGATTA

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No.	Sail No.	Boat Name	Skipper	Handicap
1	7016	Ballerina		0.825
2	N151	Childs Play		0.778
3	SP7500	Insite Racing		0.842
4	AUS709	Kaito		0.807
5	SP7015	Keeled Over		0.816
6	SP750	Over The Line		0.858
7	N45	Pretty Woman		0.774
8	SP86	R8'ED		0.792
9	SP189	SMOKE ON WATER		0.778
10	SP8000	SPORTS 8		0.900
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