

South of Perth Yacht Club (Inc.)



FLYING FIFTEEN PRE SEASON REGATTA

26 September 2010

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The organising authority is the South of Perth Yacht Club (Inc.)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Yachting Australia (YA) will apply.
- 1.3 The rules of the International Flying Fifteen Class will apply.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the north western side of the South of Perth Yacht Club Centreboard Clubhouse

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1600 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag mast on the lawn on the north western side of the Centreboard Clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in race signal AP.
- 4.3 Rule 40 is altered so that it shall always apply to boats racing and display of flag Y is not required.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Race	Day	Date	Time of first Warning Signal
1	Sunday	26 September 2010	10.00
Races 2 – 8 to follow.			

- 5.2 The warning signal for races 2 to 8, will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that another race will begin soon, the postponement signal may be displayed for at least one minute before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.3 After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1630.

6. CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be a white flag with a red FF insignia.

7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be on Melville Water East on the Swan River adjacent to South of Perth Yacht Club.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams 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.
- 8.2 The course to be sailed will be indicated by a numeral pennant displayed with the warning signal.
- 8.3 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1, 1a, 2, 3, 3S & 3P will be red inflatable buoys.
- 9.2 The starting and finishing marks will be will be the race committee boat at one end and a black and white checkered inflatable buoy at the other.

10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.
- 10.2 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.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start" without a hearing. This changes rule A5.

11. THE FINISH

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

12. THE PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

13. TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 45 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protests forms are available at the Race Office. Protest shall be delivered there within the protest time limit. The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 14.2 Breaches of instructions 10.3 and 17 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.
- 14.3 A request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered no later than 20 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

15. MEDIATION

- 15.1 A mediation hearing will be conducted for all protests lodged by a boat in accordance with rule 61 which allege an infringement of a rule of Part 2 or 4. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to the protest hearing.
- 15.2 The time and place of the mediation hearing will be decided by the mediator and such advice may be given verbally. One 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.
- 15.3 After taking testimony at a mediation hearing 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. (This may be because rules other than Part 2 or 4 are or may be involved, or because evidence is too complex or divergent to reach a reasonable and timely conclusion, or due to the apparent severity of the alleged infringement, or for any other 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 accept scoring points equal to a finishing place mid-way between the boat's actual finishing place and a disqualification, and if so accepted the protestor shall withdraw the protest. (Half points shall be disregarded and the points of other boats shall not be adjusted.)
- 15.4 A mediation hearing shall not be re-opened. No conclusion of a mediator shall be subject to appeal or be grounds for redress.
- 15.5 Should the protest proceed to a protest hearing then the mediator may be a member of the Protest Committee. Any evidence given by a mediator during a protest hearing shall be given only in the presence of the parties to the hearing.

16. SCORING

- 16.1 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2
 - (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

17. **SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 17.1 Boats intending to start shall report to the Race Committee Boat prior to the Warning Signal of the first race in that session. They shall hail the Race Committee Boat with their sail number and receive verbal acknowledgement.
- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

18. **PRIZES**

There will be a presentation of pennants to Classic, Silver and Open fleets for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

19. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

20. **INSURANCE**

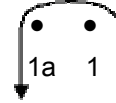
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

Attachment A

WINDWARD & RETURN - COURSE 1

Numeral Pennant 1

Start - 1 - 1(a) - 3 - 1 - 1(a) - 3 - Finish



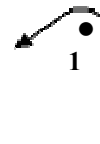
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TRIANGLE - COURSE 2

Numeral Pennant 2

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish



Start/Finish

