



South of Perth Yacht Club (Inc.)

(Organising Authority)



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2011 SOLO WINTER



DEVELOPMENT SERIES

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regattas will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Racing Rules of Sailing will be changed as follows:
 - 1.2.1 Rule 26 – Starting Races – See SI 10.1 for 420s and Lasers only.
 - 1.2.2 Rule 29.2 – General Recall – See SI 10.5.
 - 1.2.3 Rule 35 and Appendix A4 and A5 – Time Limit and Scores/Scoring – See SI 13.2
 - 1.2.3 Rule 44.1 – Taking a Penalty – The two turns penalty is replaced by a one turn penalty.
 - 1.2.4 Rule 60.1 (a) – Right to Protest – See SI 14.6
 - 1.2.5 Rule 62.1 (a) – Redress – See SI 13.1
 - 1.2.6 Rule 63.1 – Requirement for a Hearing – See SI 8.2.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the Centreboard Clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not later than one hour before the start of the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1700 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag pole in front of the Centreboard Clubhouse. When a signal is displayed over a class flag, it applies to that fleet only.
- 4.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, “one minute” is replaced with “not less than 30 minutes”.

5 REGATTA SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Dates of Racing
 - Sunday 22 May
 - Sunday 19 June
 - Sunday 17 July
 - Sunday 14 August
 - Sunday 18 September

5.2 Number of Races and Starting Order

<u>Class</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Number of Races Per Day</u>
Laser 4.7	A	10
Laser Radial	A	10
Laser Full Rig	A	10
420	A	10
Optimist	B	5
Pelican	B	5
125	B	2

Races will be run consecutively with each subsequent race to start as soon as practicable after the previous race.



5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is:

	<u>Group</u>	<u>Time</u>
Laser & 420	A	0930
Optimist, Pelican, 125	B	1300

5.4 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 one minute before a warning signal is displayed.

5.5 No warning signals for either Group will be made after 1630.

6 CLASS FLAGS

<u>Classes</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Laser 4.7	Green Flag with white Laser Insignia
Laser Radial	Red Flag with white Laser insignia
Laser Full Rig	White Flag with red Laser insignia
420	International 420 Class Flag
Optimist	White Flag with Blue Optimist Insignia
Pelican	White Flag with Black Pelican Insignia
125	White Flag with Black 125 Insignia

7 RACING AREAS

The racing area will be on Melville Water East or Canning River adjacent to the Club.

8 COURSES

8.1 The diagram in Attachment A shows the course 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.

Courses will be displayed on a board from the Race Committee Boat.

8.2 Group A only - No boat shall cross the start or finish line except between her warning signal and starting, or when finishing. A boat which breaks this rule will be penalised three places, without a hearing. The scores of the other boats will not be changed. This changes Rule 63.1.

9 MARKS

9.1 Course A – 420 & Laser

Marks 1 and 2 will be large red inflatable buoys.

The start/finish marks will be a committee boat displaying an SoPYC burgee at the starboard end and a black and white buoy at the port end.

9.2 Course B – Optimist, Pelican and 125

Marks 1 and 2 will be large yellow inflatable buoys.

Marks 1a and 2a will be large blue inflatable buoys.

Marks 3S, 3P, 4S and 4P will be red pimple buoys.

The starting marks will be a committee boat displaying a SoPYC burgee at the starboard end and a black and white buoy at the port end.

For windward/leeward courses the finishing marks will be a committee boat displaying a SoPYC burgee at the starboard end and a black and white buoy at the port end.

For trapezoid courses the finishing marks will be a committee boat displaying a SoPYC burgee at the port end and an orange pimple buoy at the starboard end.



10 THE START

Group A – 420 & Laser

- 10.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26 except that the warning signal will be made 3 minutes before the starting signal, and the preparatory signal made 2 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start/finish boat and the port-end buoy.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.4 A boat starting later than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 10.5 General Recall – when a General Recall is signalled, the warning signal for the new start for the first recalled fleet will be displayed at the starting signal for the last fleet in the sequence. New starts for other recalled fleets will follow in order thereafter. The General Recall signal for a recalled fleet will be displayed for one minute. This changes racing rule 29.2.

Group B – Optimist, Pelican and 125

- 10.6 Races will be started using Rule 26.
- 10.7 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start boat and the port-end buoy.
- 10.8 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.9 A boat starting later than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

11 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and the port end buoy for the windward leeward courses and the starboard end buoy for the trapezoid courses.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the two turns penalty is replaced by the one turn penalty.

13 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 13.1 For Group A, the time limit for each race will be 45 minutes.
For Group B, the time limit for each race will be 60 minutes.
For both Groups the target time for a race is 30 minutes but failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 At the end of each race, any boat intending to protest shall sail to the starboard side of the Committee Boat and verbally notify the Race Committee of the boat being protested and the nature of the incident.
- 14.2 Protest forms are available in the main foyer of the Senior Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.3 For each class, the protest time limit is 45 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.



- 14.4 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 held in the Protest Room, located off the Main Foyer at the northern end of the Senior Clubhouse beginning at the time posted.
- 14.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 14.6 Breaches of instructions 10.3, 10.8, 16, 17, 19 and 21 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
- 14.7 Protests in accordance with Rule 61 which allege an infringement of Rules of Part 2, Part 4 or Rule 28 will be subject to mediation in accordance with Attachment B.

15 SCORING

15.1 Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix A including A9. The requirements for the number of races scheduled, the number required to be completed to constitute a series and the number of races which may be excluded shall apply to each regatta in accordance with the table 15.2

15.2 Races Scheduled in Each Regatta:

			Number of Races Completed							
			3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Number of Races Scheduled in Each Regatta	Number of Races to be Completed to Constitute a Series		Number of Scores Excluded					
Group A	10	5					1	1	2	2
Group B	5	3		1	1					
125	2	1								

15.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible. A boat which fails to notify its retirement will incur a scoring penalty.

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without 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 to the Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

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18 COACHING

Coaching in the 420 and Lasers will be permitted in between racing, Open competitors are also encouraged to assist Youth competitors between racing. Coaching in the 125, Pelican and Optimist's will be permitted during racing without interfering with other competitors.

19 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the Organising Authority.

20 SUPPORT BOATS

20.1 Support boats shall display a green over white flag.

20.2 Team Leaders and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are starting racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have started or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

While on the water, a boat shall not carry equipment capable of making radio transmissions or receiving radio communications. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

22 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

Pennants will be awarded for each regatta to 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class.

Prizes will be awarded for overall series to 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class, and youth divisions as nominated.

23 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.

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 million.

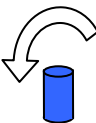
ATTACHMENT A – OPTIMIST, PELICAN & 125

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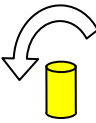
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Optimist & Pelican

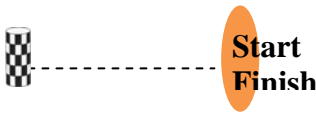
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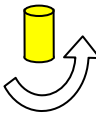
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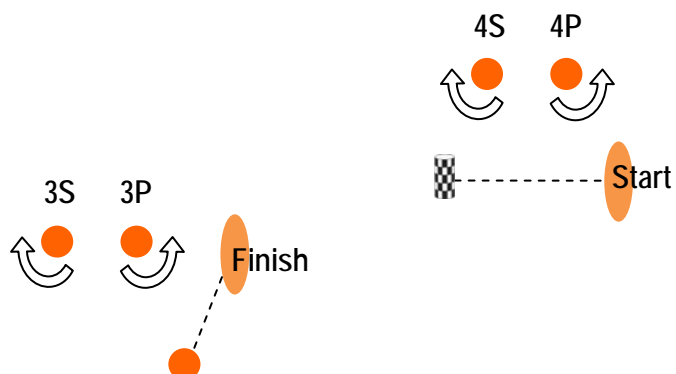
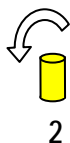
ATTACHMENT A – OPTIMIST, PELICAN & 125

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- I 1 Start - 1a - 4S/4P - 1a - 2a - 3P - Finish
- I 2 Start - 1a - 4S/4P - 1a - 4S/4P - 1a - 2a - 3P - Finish
- O 1 Start - 1a - 2a - 3S/3P - 2a - 3P - Finish
- O 2 Start - 1a - 2a - 3S/3P - 2a - 3S/3P - 2a - 3P - Finish

Optimist & Pelican

- I 0 Start - 1 - 2 - 3P - Finish
- I 1 Start - 1 - 4S/4P - 1 - 2 - 3P - Finish
- O 1 Start - 1 - 2 - 3S/3P - 2 - 3P - Finish





ATTACHMENT B – MEDIATION GUIDELINES

1. A mediation hearing will be conducted for all protests lodged 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.
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.
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.)
4. A mediation hearing shall not be re-opened. No conclusion of a mediator shall be subject to appeal or be grounds for redress.
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.