COCK OF THE BROADWATER



Sunday 22nd November 2020

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organising Authority



Southport Yacht Club Inc.

Hollywell Sailing Squadron 1 Marina Crescent Hollywell QLD 4216

Mercedes-Benz Gold Coast



1. RULES

- 1.1. The Race will be governed by the current rules, as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020.
- 1.2. The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS): Part 2 shall apply for Off the Beach Dinghies
- 1.3. The relevant Class Rules shall apply.
- 1.4. When conflict occurs between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the rules of the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.5. The International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) 1972 shall apply at all times. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) shall apply at all times. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) will only apply between those boats that are participating in the event, for the duration of the event. Should interaction occur with non-participating boats, then COLREGS shall apply to all ships and shall over-ride all other rules. This is a condition imposed by Gold Coast Waterways Authority within our Aquatic Event Authority.
- 1.6. RRS Appendix T Arbitration applies.
- 1.7. All competitors must comply with the current COVID Safety Requirements, including prior registrations for Contact Tracing, as directed by the Sailing Office.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at SYC Hollywell Sailing Squadron.
- 2.2. Notices will also be posted on the Southport Yacht Club Website @ https://southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing-noticeboard/

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2. Changes to Sailing Instructions will also be posted on the Southport Yacht Club Website.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the SYC Hollywell Sailing Squadron Flag Pole
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. COMPULSORY SKIPPERS BRIEFING

A compulsory Skippers Briefing will be held at the Notice Board at 9am.

6. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

DIVISION	FLAG
OTB Green Fleet	Green Flag
OTB Dinghy Junior Fleet	J Flag
OTB Dinghy Open Division	K Flag

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 7.1. The schedule of races is as per the timetable below.
- 7.2. Start Times for each Division will be notified at the compulsory Skippers Briefing

	EVENT	TIME
DATE		
Friday 20 th November 2020	Entries Close	Midnight
Sunday 22 nd November 2020	Registration	0830
	Compulsory Skippers Briefing	0900
	Morning Session Warning Signal not before	0955
	Afternoon Session Warning Signal Not before	1255
	Competitor BBQ	1600
	Presentation	1630 or ASAP after Racing

8. RACING AREAS

The racing area will be the Broadwater, between the Sovereign Island and Wavebreak Island.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1. The Morning Session courses shall be windward/leeward as described at the Compulsory Skippers Briefing.
- 9.2. The Afternoon Session shall be a passage type course as described at the Compulsory Skippers Briefing.

10. MARKS

- 10.1. The start/finish mark will be black and white inflatable cylinder.
- 10.2. Other marks will be Orange inflatable cylinders
- 10.3. Barging Buoy will be a pink teardrop.
- 10.4. All boats competing are to maintain a minimum distance of 3 meters from any navigation marker. Any boat involved in a marine incident, which includes a collision with an aid to navigation must report the incident in the official format.

11. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions:

- 11.1. Crab Island West Cardinal Beacon is an obstruction.
- 11.2. All I.A.L.A. Buoyage System Beacons to the North of the Crab Island West Cardinal Beacon are considered obstructions.
- 11.3. Southport Yacht Club Inc. Hollywell Sailing Squadron pontoon is an obstruction.
- 11.4. The start line & finish line, and its extensions, is an obstruction, unless Starting & finishing. Boats crossing the line incorrectly will be scored DNF.
- 11.5. The 6 knot Special Marks North of the Crab Island West Cardinal Beacon are not obstructions.

12. THE START

- 12.1. Races will be started using RRS Rule 26.
- 12.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 12.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes.
- 12.4. A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

13. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying and a blue flag on the start boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

14. SHORTENED COURSE

The Finish Line may be between the Committee Boat displaying the shortened course Flag "S" and a Lateral Beacon or prominent feature of their choice.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 Rule 44.2 of the RRS is changed to a **One Turn Penalty,** including one tack and one gybe in the same direction, and shall apply for infringement of the Rules of Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 15.2 An infringement of any other rule or Sailing Instruction a boat will receive an Event Nominated Penalty (ENP)

16. SCORING

- 16.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A shall apply.
- 16.2 One race must be completed to constitute a series
- 16.3 A boats series score will be the total of her race scores
- 16.4 Event Nominated Penalty (ENP) The penalty shall be 20% of the score for Did Not Finish, rounded to the nearest whole number (0.5 rounded upward). This changes RRS A4.

17. COVID REQUIREMENTS

Failure for the Skipper and all crew to comply with the Covid registration as directed by Southport Yacht Club, will result in the boat being scored an Event Nominated Penalty (ENP).

18. TIME LIMITS

- 18.1 Boats failing to finish in the morning session within 15 minutes after the first boat in your division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5
- 18.2 Boats failing to finish in the afternoon session within 60 minutes after the first boat in your division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 18.3 For the purpose of these time limits, "Foiling Boats" are not to be considered as the "first boat".

19. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 19.1. Boats intending to protest shall inform the Race Committee immediately after finishing by approaching the <u>starboard side</u> of the Start Boat after finishing and hailing the protested boat's sail number. This changes RRS 61.1
- 19.2. RRS Appendix T Arbitration applies
- 19.3. Protest forms are available at the Sailing Office at the Hollywell Sailing Squadron. Protests shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit.
- 19.4. The Protest Time Limit is thirty (30) minutes after the last boat has finished in your division. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the Race Committee and Protest Committee and to request for redress. This changes Rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 19.5. Notices will be posted within thirty (30) minutes of the Protest Time Limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Sailing Office (located at the southwest corner of the clubhouse) as soon as possible and in the approximate order of receipt.
- 19.6. Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).

20. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 20.1 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 20.2 The Skipper and Crew of a boat will be the "Sign on" for the day.
- 20.3 The Finish of the final race will acknowledge "Sign off" for the days racing. In addition support boats will ensure all boats return to the beach safely.

21. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 21.1 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.
- 21.2 Failing to notify the SYC Sailing Office of changes to boats configuration or rating, may result in protest by the Race Committee. Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides.
- 21.3 Competitors must provide a clearly identifiable sail number on their mainsail as noted on the Yachts Race Entry Form. A failure to carry clearly distinguishable sail numbers may result in a yacht being scored as DNS without a hearing. This shall not provide grounds for redress.

22. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats will be marked with the SYC Burgee.

23. RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats with a VHF radio.

24. PRIZES

- 24.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1st 2nd and 3rd for each Division:
- 24.2 Other Prizes may be awarded by the Organising Authority
- 24.3 The overall first Junior SYC competitor will be presented with the Southport Yacht Club Junior Champion of the Broadwater Perpetual Trophy at the Presentation.
- 24.4 The Overall first Open Division will be presented with the Southport Yacht Club Cock of the Broadwater Perpetual Trophy at the Presentation.

25. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 25.1 All those taking part in races conducted by Southport Yacht Club do so at their own risk and responsibility.
- 25.2 The Southport Yacht Club, any sponsor and any party involved in the organisation of any event disclaims any and every responsibility for any loss, damage, injury to persons and/or things, both ashore and at sea, as a consequence of participation in any way in the races covered by these sailing instructions.
- 25.3 Attention is drawn to RRS 4 which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

26. INSURANCE

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

27. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the SYC Sailing Office.

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