

2020 Crab Island Classic



Saturday 22nd August 2020

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



Organising Authority
Southport Yacht Club Inc.

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the current rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS).
- 1.3 The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing: Part 1 shall apply for trailable and fixed keel yachts.
- 1.4 The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing Part 2 shall apply for Off the Beach Boats.
- 1.5 All competitors must comply with current Covid Safety requirements, including prior registration for contact tracing as directed by the Sailing Office.
- 1.6 The relevant Class Rules (as applicable).
- 1.7 The Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. 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
- 1.8 The International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea 1972 (COLREGS) shall apply at all times. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) will apply only between those ships that are participating in the event, for the duration of the event. Should interaction occur with non-participating ships, then COLREGS shall apply to all ships and shall over-ride all other rules.
- 1.9 RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies.
- 1.10 All competitors are reminded of RRS 1.1 Helping Those in Danger; A boat or competitor give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the south-eastern corner of the Hollywell Sailing Squadron Clubhouse.
- 2.2 Notices may also be posted on the Southport Yacht Club website.

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 to the schedule of events will be posted by 1700hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Southport Yacht Club Hollywell Sailing Squadron Race Control Tower
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15' minutes

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME (not before)
Wed 19 th August	Entries Close	1600hrs
Sat 22 nd August	Compulsory Skippers Briefing for Division 1 & 2	1100hrs
	Division 1 – ID, TT, OD Warning Signal	1155hrs
	Division 2 - OTBC Warning Signal	1210hrs
	Presentation	ASAP after racing, Approx. 1500hrs.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Division	Flag
Division 1	Numeral Pennant 1
Division 2	Numeral Pennant 2

7 COURSES

The Course to be described at the compulsory Skippers Briefing.

8 MARKS

- 8.1 If any navigational marker is a mark of the course, all boats competing are to maintain a minimum distance of three (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.
- 8.2 The Start and Finish Mark will be an Orange with Black Top inflatable cylinder.

9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 9.2 The Start Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 9.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other Divisions.
- 9.4 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.

10 THE FINISH

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

11 SHORTENED COURSE

The Race Committee may shorten the course at any laid mark, lateral mark or prominent feature of their choice by displaying Code Flag S in accordance with RRS 32.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

Should a boat infringe any of the rules imposed by the RRS or these instructions they shall immediately exonerate by performing one penalty turn (360 degrees) this changes RRS rule 44.1.

13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1 The time limit for Division 1 will be 240 minutes.
- 13.2 The time limit for Division 2 will be 180 minutes
- 13.3 Boats failing to finish within their time limits will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35 and A4.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Immediately after finishing a boat intending to protest shall, in addition to the requirements of RRS 61.1(a), inform the race committee boat at the finish line of her intention to protest and the identity of the boat(s) protested against. The protesting boat must receive an acknowledgement from the Race committee. This changes RRS 61.
- 14.2 Appendix T of RRS applies.
- 14.3 Protest forms are available at the Sailing Office. Protests shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit.
- 14.4 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.
- 14.5 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 on-site at the Hollywell Sailing Squadron at date to be advised.

15 HANDICAPS

- 15.1 Division 1 PHS results will be calculated based on a Performance Handicap System (PHS) Time Correction Factor (TCF) based on the "SYC Inshore Division PHS Base Handicaps". The TCF that is applied will be performance-based and will be expressed as three (3) decimal places applied as a multiplier to elapsed times.
- 15.2 Division 2 Handicaps will be allocated using Australian Sailing VYC Yardsticks.

16 SCORING

16.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

16.2 A boat failing to comply with SI 17.1 will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 All competitors must comply with Current Covid Safety requirements, including prior registration for contact tracing with the QR Code published by the Sailing Office and posted on the Notice Board.

17.2 For Division 1 entrants, all helmspersons shall "Sign On" via VHF09 radio advising their Boat Name, Sail # and P.O.B. (Persons on Board). Race Control will confirm recorded details for confirmation of "Sign On".

17.3 All helmspersons in Division's 2 shall sign on electronically via the Covid registration QR code posted on the Notice Board, prior to going afloat for racing.

17.4 A Division 1 boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible via VHF radio including P.O.B.

17.5 A Division 2 boat that retires from a race shall notify a support boat as soon as possible.

17.6 For Division 1 and Division 2 boats, a sound signal from the committee boat on finishing is confirmation of "Sign Off".

17.7 Failure to comply with these Safety Regulations, a boat **will be scored DNS** without a hearing. This changes RRS Rule A4.

18 RUBBISH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put rubbish in the water.

19 PRIZES

19.1 Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place in each Division.

19.2 The Overall Division One (1) winner will be awarded the Crab Island Classic Perpetual Trophy on the day, at Presentation.

19.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

20 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance, with a minimum cover of \$10M (AUD) for any one incident. By taking part in a race all boat owners are deemed to have made a declaration that they have such cover.

21 RESULTS

Results will be posted on the official notice board outside the Sailing Office and on the Southport Yacht Club's website.

22 MEDIA RIGHTS

By participating in the 2020 Crab Island Classic, a competitor grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors, the right in perpetuity, to make, reproduce, edit, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/ her taken during the event and to use his/her likeness, voice, name and any other information in any material related without compensation.

23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

All those taking part in races conducted by Southport Yacht Club do so at their own risk and responsibility. 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. Attention is drawn to RRS Rule 4 which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

24 FURTHER INFORMATION

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