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SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



Organising Authority Southport Yacht Club Inc. CLUB



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1. RULES

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the current rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing: Part 1 shall apply for trailable and fixed keel yachts.
- 1.3. The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing: Part 2 shall apply for Off the Beach Boats
- 1.4. The relevant Class Rules.
- 1.5. Current Covid-19 Safe Plan in Place. We are compliant in accordance with the 'Aquatic Sport Sector Industry COVID Safe plan", for Yachting QLD (Sailing) small off the beach craft & yachts. At all times, the Plan is subject to all regulations, guidelines, and directions of Government and Public Health Authorities. Protocols as set out by the Organising Authority, include online pre-registration for the event. Skipper and Crew details will be required to complete the entry in line with Appendix A (Attached). No late entries will be accepted. Cross referencing of all registered Persons on Board (POB's) will be completed between Administration and Race Control with penalties being contained within the Sailing Instructions 18.2 for non-compliance in affect.
- 1.6. RRS Appendix T Arbitration applies.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the south-eastern corner of the SYC Hollywell Sailing Squadron 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 to the Schedule of Races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Southport Yacht Club Hollywell Race Control Tower.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 It is our intention to run one race per division.
- 5.2 All times listed below shall be considered to be "not before".
- 5.3 The Warning Signal will be given five (5) minutes prior to the Start Time.
- 5.4 The event will operate according to the following schedule; however Divisional Start Times may be altered at time of Compulsory Skippers Briefing.

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Sunday 8 th September	Registration	0830 - 1000
	Compulsory Skippers Briefing	1030
	Breaking of the Flag Ceremony Starts	1100
	Start 1 Warning Signal	1155
	Start 2 Warning Signal	1205
	Start 3 Warning Signal	1215
	Start 4 Warning Signal	1225
	Division 5 - Junior Dinghies >122	1240
	Prize Presentation	ASAP after racing

6 CLASS FLAGS

The Class Flags will be:

Division	Flag
OTBD < 122	Numeral Pennant 1
Inshore Division	Numeral Pennant 2
OTBC	Numeral Pennant 3
OTBC (Foiling)	Numeral Pennant 4
OTBD > 122	Numeral Pennant 5

7 RACING AREA

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

8 THE COURSES

The course shall be a passage type course as described at the Compulsory Skippers Briefing with Junior Fleet expected to be in the Western Channel and all other Divisions to round Crab Island.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 The start/finish mark will be black and white inflatable cylinder.
- 9.2 If any navigational marker is a mark of a course, 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.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions:

- 10.1 Areas outside of the intended channel(s) defined by the IALA system beacons north of and including Q(9)15s (Crab Island West Cardinal) are considered an obstruction. For the purposes of this definition, it shall be considered that a competitor has remained clear of the obstruction provided they have left all IALA beacons to their required* side. *Competitors may refer to the MSQ Boating Maps located at http://www.msq.qld.gov.au/Boating-maps/Gold-Coast-guides should they require any clarification.
- 10.2 The finish line is an obstruction, unless finishing. Boats crossing the finish line incorrectly will be scored a discretional penalty Imposed (DPI) and receive a 30% time penalty added to their elapsed time.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started using RRS Rule 26.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start vessel and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes.
- 11.4 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.

12 SHORTENED COURSE

The Race Committee may shorten the course as per RRS Rule 32.

13 THE FINISH

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

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty, including one tack and one gybe in the same direction.
- 14.2 Boats failing to comply with SI Safety Regulations 18.2 will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing.
- 14.3 Inshore Division Boats that fail to comply with SI Safety Regulations 18.3.1 will be scored a Discretionary Penalty Imposed (DPI) and receive a 30% time penalty added to their elapsed time.

15 TIME LIMITS & TIME TARGETS

DIVISION	TARGET TIME	TIME LIMIT
Junior Fleet	30 minutes	45 minutes
All Other Divisions	90 minutes	120 minutes

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 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.
- 16.2 RRS Appendix T Arbitration applies
- 16.3 Protest forms are available at the Sailing Office at the Hollywell Sailing Squadron. Protests shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit.
- 16.4 The Protest Time Limit is 30 minutes after the last boat of the relevant division has finished. 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.
- 16.5 Notices will be posted within 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 as soon as possible and in the approximate order of receipt.
- 16.6 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).

17 SCORING

- 17.1 Junior Fleet, OTB Dinghies, and OTB Catamaran results will be based on AS Yardsticks.
- 17.2 Inshore Division results will be based on SYC Inshore Division PHS Base Handicaps. These can be viewed on the SYC Website.
- 17.3 Boats failing to comply with Safety Regulations 18.2 will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 No anchor shall protrude forward of the bow whilst racing.
- 18.2 All competitors (Skippers and Crew) shall Sign on by registering via the Covid-19 QR code displayed on the official Notice Board, specifying the "Boat Name" prior to the START Signal for your Division.
- 18.3 Requirements for Inshore Division
 - 18.3.1 All helmspersons shall "Sign On" with Race Control 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".
- 18.4 A boat that finishes will be given a sound signal. This shall be acknowledgement that a boat and its crew have "Signed Off" the Race log.
- 18.5 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

19 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats will be marked with the SYC Burgee.

20 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 20.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats with a VHF radio.
- 20.2 All Trailable Yachts, Cruising Monohull & Multihulls shall carry a VHF radio. All communications by Race Management shall be made to all competitors via VHF 09.

21 PRIZES

- 21.1 Members Cash prizes will be awarded to first, second and third on corrected time in each division.
- 21.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

- 21.3 There will also be 5 random draws. Random places in the race will be drawn, and whoever was that place getter shall win the random draw prizes. Any boats that started but were deemed DNF (did not finish), will be allocated a "place" by being listed at the end of the true finishing placers in order of their sail numbers.
- 21.4 The announcement of results and presentation of prizes will take place in the Bar of the SYC Hollywell Sailing Squadron Clubhouse at approximately 3pm (or ASAP after racing).
- 21.5 The Skipper or a crew member of the boat must be present in order to receive prizes. If the Skipper or crew is not present during the presentation, the prize/s will be redrawn to the next placing.

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 21.6 All those taking part in races conducted by Southport Yacht Club do so at their own risk and responsibility.
- 21.7 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 this notice of race.
- 21.8 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".

23 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.

24 FURTHER INFORMATION

Please do not hesitate to contact the Sailing Office Southport Yacht Club Inc. Hollywell Sailing Squadron, 1 Marina Crescent, HOLLYWELL QLD 4216. Phone: (07) 5537 7030. Fax: (07) 5537 7131 Email: <u>sailing.admin@sycgc.com.au</u>