

2021 TK Robertson Trophy Race

incorporating The O'pen Skiff South East Qld Titles



Sunday 29th August 2021



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organising Authority
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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 (RRS).
- 1.2 The Special Regulations (SR) of Australian Sailing (AS): Part 2 shall apply for Off the Beach Dinghies.
- 1.3 As applicable, the relevant One Design Class Rules.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix T Arbitration will apply.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix WP – Rules for Racing Around Waypoints will apply when applicable.
- 1.6 The International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) 1972 shall apply at all times. 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 boats and shall over-ride all other rules.
- 1.7 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, this Plan is subject to all regulations, guidelines, and directions of Government and Public Health Authorities. Protocols as set out by the OA apply, including all Skippers & Crews registering via the Check In Qld app when arriving at all SYC locations

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.

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 Race Control Tower.
- 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

- 5.1 A Compulsory Skippers Briefing will be held at the Notice Board at 1100hrs.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The schedule of races is as per the timetable below.
- 6.2 Start Times are considered “Not Before” and the Divisional starting order will be notified at the compulsory Skippers Briefing.

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Sunday 29 th August	Registration	0900
	Compulsory Skippers Briefing	1100
	Warning Signal (not before)	1155
	Sausage Sizzle (asap after racing)	1500
	Presentation (asap after racing)	1530

7. DIVISIONAL FLAGS

- 7.1 Divisional flags will be:

DIVISION	FLAG
OTB Dinghy Junior & Green Fleet	J Flag
OTB Dinghy Div B	K Flag
OTB Dinghy Div A	E Flag

8. RACING AREAS

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

9. THE COURSE

9.1 The course shall be passage type course as described at the Compulsory Skippers Briefing.

9.2 The start/finish mark will be black and white inflatable cylinder.

9.3 Other marks will be Orange inflatable cylinders

9.4 Barging Buoy (if required) will be a pink teardrop.

9.5 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 Crab Island West Cardinal Beacon is an obstruction.

10.2 All I.A.L.A. Buoyage System Beacons to the North of the Crab Island West Cardinal Beacon are considered obstructions.

10.3 Southport Yacht Club Inc. Hollywell Sailing Squadron pontoon is an obstruction

10.4 The start line & finish line is an obstruction, unless Starting & finishing. Boats crossing the line incorrectly will be scored DNF.

10.5 The 6 knot Special Marks North of the Crab Island West Cardinal Beacon are not obstructions.

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 boat and the course side of the 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. THE FINISH

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

13. SHORTENED COURSE

13.1 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.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 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.

14.2 Failure to comply with **SI 1.5** the Covid 19 requirements regarding pre-registration information shall result in a vessel scoring a DPI (Discretionary Penalty Imposed) as per RRS 44.3(c)

15. TIME LIMITS

15.1 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first non foiling boat in your division will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.2 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.

- 16.3 Appendix T Arbitration applies
- 16.4 Protest forms are available at the Sailing Office at the Hollywell Sailing Squadron. Protests shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit.
- 16.5 The Protest Time Limit is twenty (20) 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.
- 16.6 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.
- 16.7 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 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A shall apply.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 18.2 All helmspersons shall sign on, on the sheets provided, prior to going afloat for racing.
- 18.3 All helmspersons shall sign off within twenty (20) minutes of completing racing for that session.
- 18.4 Boats failing to comply with these Safety Regulations will have a 5-minute time penalty added to their elapsed time without a hearing.

19. SUPPORT BOATS

- 19.1 Support boats will be marked with the SYC Burgee.

20. PRIZES

- 20.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1st 2nd and 3rd for each Division.
- 20.2 Other Prizes may be awarded by the Race Committee
- 20.3 The overall first place winners will be presented with the Southport Yacht Club TK Robertson Perpetual Trophy

21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 21.1 All those taking part in races conducted by Southport Yacht Club do so at their own risk and responsibility.
- 21.2 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.
- 21.3 Attention is drawn to RRS 3 which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

22. INSURANCE

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

23. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 23.1 For further information please contact the SYC Sailing Office.
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