

2021 International OK Dinghy Queensland Championships



Saturday 10th July to Sunday 11th July 2021

Sailing Instructions



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1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including the Australian Sailing (AS) Prescriptions.
- 1.2 The current Special Regulations of AS Part 2 Off the beach boats.
- 1.3 The OK Dinghy International Association Class Rules (as applicable),
- 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 RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies.
- 1.6 Compliance with the current Qld Government COVID-19 restrictions that apply to SYC including contact tracing via the electronic app “Check in Qld”.
- 1.7 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. This is a condition imposed by Local Governing Authorities.
- 1.8 All competitors are reminded of RRS Part 1.1 Helping Those in Danger, “A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger”.
- 1.9 All competitors are reminded of RRS 3 Decision to Race, “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside the Southport Yacht Club sailing office.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 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.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff located on the tower of the Hollywell clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 30 minutes’ in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

The schedule of races is as per the following table:

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Saturday 10 th July	Registration	0830hrs
	Compulsory Skippers Briefing	0900hrs
	Race Day 1 Warning Signal (Not Before)	1055hrs
	Sausage Sizzle & Daily Results	ASAP after racing
Sunday 11 th July	Compulsory Skippers Briefing	0900hrs
	Race Day 2 Warning Signal (Not Before)	1055hrs
	Sausage Sizzle & Results Presentation	ASAP after racing

- 5.1 A maximum of six (6) races will be sailed
- 5.2 A maximum of four (4) race will be sailed per day
- 5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

6. CLASS FLAGS

The Class Flag will be white with a red OK Dinghy insignia.

7. RACING AREAS

7.1 Attachment 1 shows the approximate location of the racing area.

7.2 An alternate “Inshore” course may be selected due to inclement weather. This is in the area known as the “Deep Hole” and will be confirmed at the Compulsory Skippers Briefing accordingly.

8. THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment 2 shows the approximate position of the rounding marks, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be passed.

8.2 The course number to be sailed will be indicated by the relevant numeral pennant being displayed on the Start Boat with the Class Flag.

9. MARKS

9.1 Marks 1 & 2 will be yellow inflatable cylinder buoys.

9.2 Mark **3s** (if a leeward gate is used) and 3p will be orange inflatable buoy/s.

9.3 Start Mark will be a black & white inflatable buoy.

9.4 Finish Mark will be a blue inflatable buoy.

10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The Start/Finish line is an obstruction of the course unless starting or finishing.

11. THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Start Boat and the port- end starting mark.

11.3 There may be a barging buoy (pink tear drop) off the stern of the Start Boat.

11.4 A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

The race committee may change a leg of the course that begins at a rounding *mark* or at a gate by changing the position of the next *mark* (or the finishing line) and signaling all boats before they begin the leg. The next *mark* need not be in position at that time.

13. THE FINISH

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

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One Turn Penalty except that for infringements occurring within the Zone as defined in the RRS the penalty shall be a Two Turns Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.

14.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under RRS 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the Sailing Office within the protest time limit.

15. TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES

15.1 The target time for each race is 60 minutes.

15.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 30 minutes the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be scored their position on the course and is not subject to protest. This changes rule 35, A4 and A5.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Boats intending to protest shall inform the Race Committee immediately after finishing by approaching the starboard side of the Start Boat after finishing and hailing the protested boat's sail number. This changes RRS 61.1
- 16.2 Protest forms are available at the race office located at the Hollywell Sailing Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.3 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 16.4 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 Hollywell Sailing Office beginning at the time posted.
- 16.5 Notices or protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.6 Breaches of instructions 10, 18, and 22 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches will incur a 3-place scoring penalty. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 16.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 16.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
- 17.2 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 If fewer than 5 races are sailed, then a boats series score will be the total of all her race scores.
- 17.4 When 5 or more races are sailed then a boats series score will be the total of her race scores less her worst score.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 All persons when arriving at SYC sites shall register their details via the electronic app "Check in Qld" as part of the current Qld Government COVID-19 restrictions. A QR Code is displayed at the entrance and on the official Notice Board.
- 18.2 Sign on and Sign off requirements are:
 - (a) All helmspersons shall sign on, on the sheets provided, prior to going afloat for racing.
 - (b) All helmspersons shall sign off within ninety (90) minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day, or later at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 18.3 The skipper of a boat that retires or does not intend to continue racing is required to notify an official Support Boat and await further instruction prior to returning through the GC Seaway.
Please Note: Failure to do so may result in a full safety alert with all race committee vessels and patrol boats remaining on course until the vessel is found.
- 18.4 All Competitors are encouraged to carry a Harness Rescue Tool or similar device that is readily accessible in an emergency.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1 Substitution of skippers will not be allowed.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity.

20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21. OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked with the SYC burgee.

22. SUPPORT BOATS

- 22.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. Unless they deem it is necessary for safety reasons.
- 22.2 Support boats are required to register with the Hollywell Sailing office and supply the skipper's details, boats call sign, contact number and competitor they are representing.
- 22.3 When the wind is less than 10 knots all team leaders, coaches and other support boats shall not exceed 5 knots within 500m of the area where boats are racing. Additionally, coach and support boats shall not exceed 5 knots and shall not create wake at any time when they are within 100m of the starting area.
- 22.4 The penalty for failing to comply with SI 22 may result in the disqualification (from the race/s in which the infringement took place) of all boats associated with the infringing boat or other penalty at the discretion of the Jury.

23. TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

24. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned rigging and storage areas

25. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. Race control shall be using VHF09.

26. TRACKING DEVICES

Boats competing may use a suitable mobile phone (Android/Apple) to operate the App "RaceQS" for tracking and relay purposes. Further details on using RaceQS can be downloaded from www.raceqs.com

27. PRIZES

- 27.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall, 1st QLD, 1st Female, 1st Junior and 1st Grand Master – on ASY & PHS results.
- 27.2 The Title of Queensland Champion will be awarded to the lowest point score Queensland resident on ASY and will be awarded the Perpetual Trophy.
- 27.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

28. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organising 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.

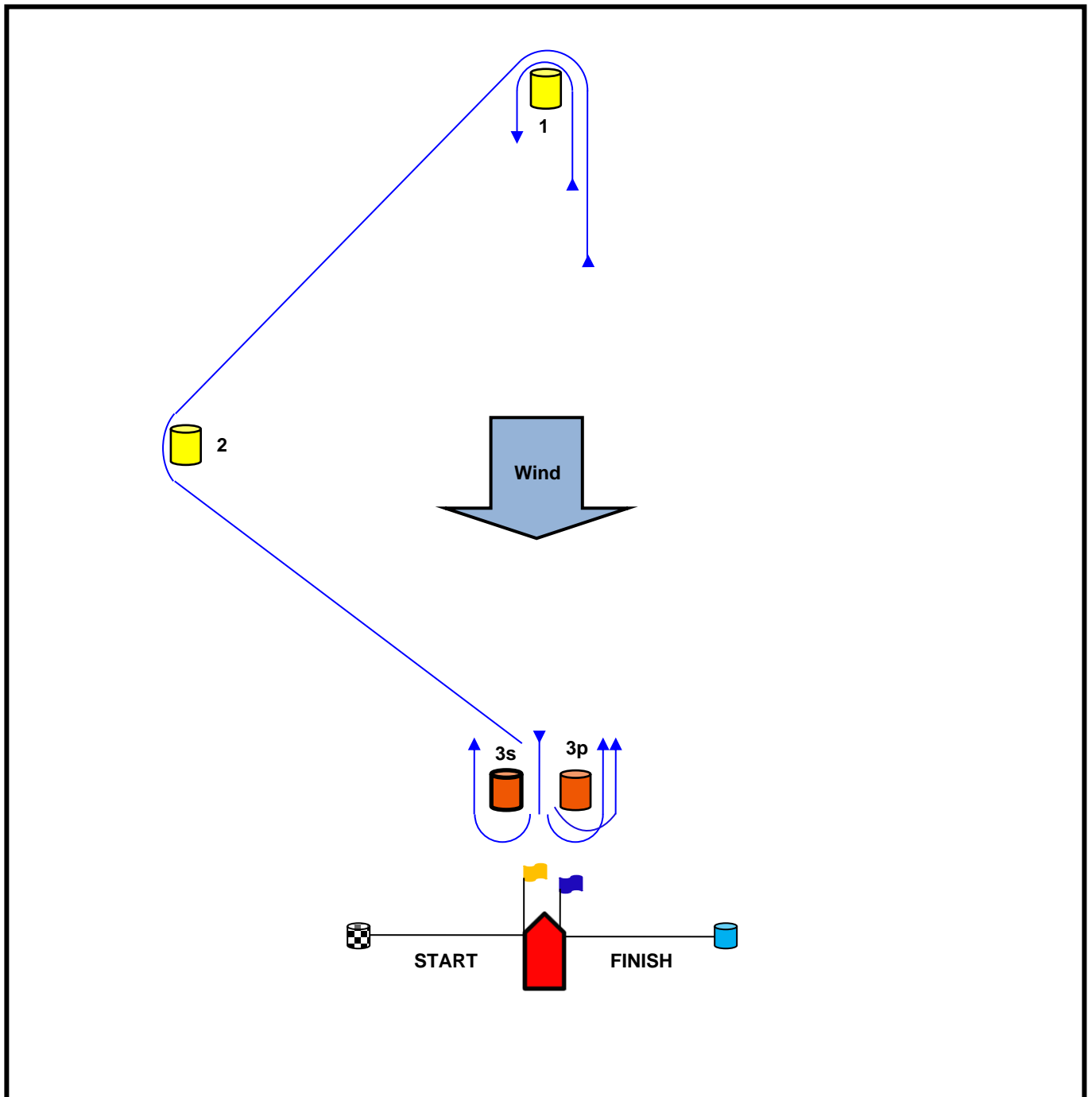
29. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance (including racing coverage) with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000.00 per incident or the equivalent. Proof of insurance maybe required, clearly indicating the person, the amount and the period of coverage, at registration. All owners/competitors who enter the Regatta are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

ATTACHMENT 1 – RACING LOCATION



ATTACHMENT 2 – THE COURSES



COURSE	MARK ROUNDINGS	TYPE
1	START - 1 - 2 - 3p - 1 - FINISH	T/W
2	START - 1 - 2 - 3p - 1 – 3s/3p - 1 - 2 - 3p - FINISH	T/W/T
3	START - 1 - 2 - 3p - 1 – 3s/3p - 1 - 2 - 3p - 1 - FINISH	T/W/T/W
NB: Where no leeward gate (3s/3p) is present, 3p shall be substituted.		