

2022 QLD O'pen Skiff Championships
April 2-3, 2022

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organising Authority

Australian O'pen Skiff Association Inc.



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
Southport Yacht Club



1 Sign on and Sign Off

- 1.1 Each competitor shall sign on as instructed at the competitors briefing.
- 1.2 Competitors shall sign off within 15 minutes of coming ashore.
- 1.3 Failing to sign on or off may result in a points penalty or DSQ score for all races, in that session, without a hearing. This changes rule 63, A4 and A5.
- 1.4 A boat retiring shall inform the race committee, umpires or a support boat as soon as possible and sign off as required above.


2 Signals Made Ashore

- 2.1 Will be displayed from the signal mast outside the SYC.
- 2.2 Boats shall not go afloat whilst AP is displayed ashore. This is to ensure adequate support vessels are on water to assist boats.
- 2.3 When AP  is lowered ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes later. This changes race signals AP.

3 Notices to Competitors

- 3.1 Will be posted on the official notice board at the SYC.
- 3.2 Competitor briefings will be held on the lawn outside the SYC clubhouse noticeboard.

4 Changes to the Sailing Instructions



Any change made ashore will be identified by the display of International Code Flag L  with 1 sound at least 15 minutes prior to any competitor briefing.

5 Schedule

Date:	Time:	Event:
Fri. April 1 st	0800 - 1200	Preparation of charter boats & competitor rego at YC.
	1300 - 1600	Coaching Clinic.
	1600 - 1700	Rego & Charter boat allocation at YC
Sat. Apr 2 nd	0800 - 0930	Welcome BBQ free of charge to competitors. Competitor Rego & charter boat allocation at YC.
	1000	Briefing at YC.
	1030	Racing/on water activities.
Sun. Apr 3 rd	1000	Briefing at YC.
	1030	Racing/on water activities.
	ASAP after activities	Presentation.

- 5.1 No more than 8 scoring races will be sailed on any one day.
- 5.2 No more than 3 scoring races will be sailed back-to-back in any one session.
- 5.3 A number of non-scoring adventure type races may be sailed during the event when conditions are appropriate
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1430hrs on Sunday 3rd April 2022.

6 Class Flags

- 6.1 Gold Fleet – Gold flag with Open Skiff logo 
- 6.1 Silver Fleet – Silver flag with Open Skiff logo 
- 6.2 Any signal displayed above these flags applies to that fleet only.
- 6.3 A ribbon provided at registration must be attached to the clew of the mainsail for silver fleet.

7 Courses

7.1 Appendix 1 contains examples of the courses for gold and silver fleets.

7.2 The courses to be sailed will be signalled by a numeral board on the race committee vessel.

8 Start / Finish Line and Marks

8.1 A combined start and finish line may be used which will be between an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and yellow inflatable syc mark at the port end. This changes RRS Race Signals.

8.2 If a separate start and finish line is used:

a. The start line will be between an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and a yellow inflatable syc mark at the port end.











b. The finish line will be between a blue flag on the race committee vessel at the port end and a blue inflatable syc mark at the port end.

8.3 The start and finish line/s will be confirmed at the daily briefing.

8.4 Course marks are pink cylindrical inflatable or orange inflatable marks and are rounding marks unless specified in Appendix 1.

9 Start Sequence - amends RRS 26

Point score races will be started separately for each fleet.

3 minutes to start "Warning Signal"	 or   with one sound
2 minutes to start "Preparatory Signal"	  with one sound
1 minute to start	  with one sound
Start	 or   with one sound

10 Time Limits and Target Times

10.1 The target time for the first Gold fleet boat is 20 - 25 minutes

10.2 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

10.3 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes of the first boat sailing the course and finishing may be scored as a finisher in their position at that time. Boats will be notified and directed accordingly.

11 Rules - refer NoR 1

11.1 The SI's shall take precedence over the NoR if there is any conflict. Changes rule 63.7

12 Advertising - refer NoR 2

13 Race Area - refer to NoR 7

14 **Scoring** - refer NoR 9 A number of novelty type races may be conducted which do not count to the overall point score.

15 COVID 19

15.1 Competitors and support persons attending the Regatta shall respond to any reasonable requests from an event official.

15.2 Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID 19 guidelines, protocols, or legislation, even if it they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

Appendix 1 – Courses

Course 1	
	Start - 1 - 2 - 3P/3S - 2 - 3P - 4 - Finish
	Start - 2 - 3P - 4 - Finish
All marks shall be rounded to port unless indicated with "S" to starboard. If only one gate mark is set, that mark shall be rounded to port.	

Course 2	
	Start - 1 - 3P/3S - 1 - Finish
	Start - 1 - 2 - 4S - Finish
All marks shall be rounded to port unless indicated with "S" to starboard. If only one gate mark is set, that mark shall be rounded to port.	