

2022 COCK OF THE BROADWATER



Sunday 18th December 2022

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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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 relevant Class Rules (as applicable)
- 1.4 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 Gold Coast Waterways Authority within our Aquatic Event Authority.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies
- 1.6 All competitors are reminded of RRS 1.1 Helping Those in Danger; A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.
- 1.7 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

- 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 @ <https://www.southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing-office-notice-board/>

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 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
- 3.2 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.
- 3.3 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 9am.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The schedule of races is as per the timetable below.

6.2 Start Times for each Division will be notified at the compulsory Skippers Briefing

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Sunday 18th December	Registration	0830
	Compulsory Skippers Briefing	0900
	Morning Session Warning Signal not before	0955
	Afternoon Session Warning Signal not before	1255
	Presentation	1600 or ASAP after Racing

7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1 Class flags will be:

DIVISION	FLAG
OTB Green Fleet	Green Flag
OTB Dinghy Junior Fleet	J Flag
OTB Dinghy Open Division	K Flag

8. RACING AREAS

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

9. THE COURSES

9.1 The Morning Session courses shall be windward/leeward as described at the Compulsory Skippers Briefing.

9.2 The Afternoon Session shall be a passage type course as described at the Compulsory Skippers Briefing.

10. MARKS

10.1 The start/finish mark will be an orange with black top inflatable cylinder.

10.2 Other marks will be yellow inflatable cylinders

10.3 Barging Buoy will be a pink teardrop.

10.4 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.

11. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1 The following areas are designated as obstructions:
- 11.2 Crab Island West Cardinal Beacon is an obstruction.
- 11.3 All I.A.L.A. Buoyage System Beacons to the North of the Crab Island West Cardinal Beacon are considered obstructions.
- 11.4 Southport Yacht Club Inc. Hollywell Sailing Squadron pontoon is an obstruction.
- 11.5 The start line & finish line, and its extensions, is an obstruction, unless Starting & finishing. Boats crossing the line incorrectly will be scored DNF.
- 11.6 The 6 knot Special Marks North of the Crab Island West Cardinal Beacon are not obstructions.

12. THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started using RRS Rule 26.
- 12.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag from the Sailing Tower and the course side of the starting mark.
- 12.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes.
- 12.4 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.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag from the Sailing Tower and the course side of the finishing mark.

14. SHORTENED COURSE

- 14.1 The Finish Line may be between the support or Sailing Tower displaying the shortened course Flag "S" and a Lateral Beacon or prominent feature of their choice.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 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.

16. TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 Boats failing to finish in the morning session within 15 minutes after the first boat in her division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5
- 16.2 Boats failing to finish in the afternoon session within 60 minutes after the first boat in her division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 16.3 For the purpose of these time limits, "Foiling Boats" are not to be considered as the "first boat".

17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies
- 17.2 Protest forms are available at the Sailing Office at the Hollywell Sailing Squadron. Protests shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit.
- 17.3 The Protest Time Limit is thirty (30) minutes after the last boat has finished in her 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.
- 17.4 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.
- 17.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).

18. SCORING

- 18.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A shall apply.
- 18.2 One race must be completed to constitute a series
- 18.3 A boats series score will be the total of her race scores

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 19.2 Two Sign On / Off sheets will be provided: one for the morning and one for the afternoon Session/s.
- 19.3 All helmspersons shall sign on, on the sheets provided, prior to going afloat for racing.
- 19.4 All helmspersons shall sign off within thirty (30) minutes of completing racing for that session.
- 19.4 Boats failing to comply with these Safety Regulations will have a 5-minute time penalty added to their elapsed time without a hearing.

20. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 20.2 Failing to notify the SYC Sailing Office of changes to boats configuration or rating, may result in protest by the Race Committee. Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides.
- 20.3 Competitors must provide a clearly identifiable sail number on their mainsail as noted on the Yachts Race Entry Form. A failure to carry clearly distinguishable sail numbers may result in a yacht being scored as DNS without a hearing. This shall not provide grounds for redress.

21. SUPPORT BOATS

- 21.1 Support boats will be marked with the SYC logo.

22. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 22.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats with a VHF radio.

23. PRIZES

- 23.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1st 2nd and 3rd for each Division:
- 23.2 Other Prizes may be awarded by the Organising Authority
- 23.3 The overall first Junior SYC competitor will be presented with the Southport Yacht Club Junior Champion of the Broadwater Perpetual Trophy at the final presentation.
- 23.4 The Overall first Open Division will be presented with the Southport Yacht Club Cock of the Broadwater Perpetual Trophy at the final presentation.

24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 24.1 All those taking part in races conducted by Southport Yacht Club do so at their own risk and responsibility.
- 24.2 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.
- 24.3 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."

25. INSURANCE

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

26. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the SYC Sailing Office.

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