



SOUTHPORT YACHT CLUB



2024

DINGHY MARATHON TROPHY RACE

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

28TH APRIL



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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 Yachting Australia: Part 2 shall apply for Off the Beach Dinghies. The relevant Class Rules.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies.
- 1.4 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.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

The Regatta office will be located at Southport Yacht Club, Hollywell. The Official Notice Board is on the Southern Wall, adjacent to the Southport Yacht Club Sailing Office, 1 Marina Crescent, Hollywell, Qld 4216. Additionally, notices may be posted to the Official Online Notice Board <https://www.southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing-office-notice-board/>

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of events will be posted by 1700hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment provided by the organizing authority with care and seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Southport Yacht Club Hollywell Sailing Squadron Race Control Tower
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15' minutes.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Sunday 28th April 2024	Registration	1000hrs
	Briefing	1100hrs
	Warning Signal (Not before)	1155hrs
	Presentation	1600 or ASAP after Racing

7 DIVISIONS AND FLAGS

Class flags will be:

DIVISION	FLAG
OTB Dinghy Div.2 (Juniors)	J Flag
OTB Dinghy Div. 1 (Seniors)	E Flag

8. RACING AREA

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

9 COURSE

9.1 The Course will be a passage race course as described at the Skippers briefing.

10 MARKS

10.1 The start/finish mark will be Yellow with Orange Top inflatable cylinder.

10.2 Other marks will be Yellow inflatable cylinders

10.3 All I.A.L.A. Buoyage System Beacons North of and including the Crab Island West Cardinal Beacon are considered marks of the 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.

11. THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26 with the Warning Signal given five minutes before the Starting Signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Sailing Tower and 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. SHORTENING THE COURSE AFTER THE START

12.1 The course may be shortened by the Race Committee as per RRS 32.2 between a mark of the course and a Committee Boat displaying code flag "S".

13. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions:

- 13.1 The Start / Finish line is an obstruction unless starting or finishing.
- 13.2 All I.A.L.A. Buoyage System Beacons are considered obstructions.

14. THE FINISH

- 14.1 The Finish Line will be between a Staff displaying a Blue Flag on the Sailing Tower at the Western end and Blue inflatable mark to the East.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 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.

16. TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 Boats failing to finish by 1500hrs will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5

17. HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 Appendix T Arbitration applies to these Sailing Instructions.
- 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 30 minutes after the last boat 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.
- 17.4 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 (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, World Sailing RRS Appendix A will apply.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 Compulsory Skipper briefing at 1100 hours in front of the official noticeboard.
- 19.2 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee by SYC support boat as soon as possible.

20. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats will be marked with the SYC Burgee.

21. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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

22. PRIZES

22.1 Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place in each Division.

22.2 Other Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

22.3 The overall first place winners in each division will be presented with the Southport Yacht Club Dinghy Marathon Trophies

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

23.1 All those taking part in races conducted by Southport Yacht Club do so at their own risk and responsibility.

23.2 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.

23.3 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."

23.4 Competitors participate in Southport Yacht Club events entirely at their own risk. See Rule 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.

24. INSURANCE

24.1 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.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact the Sailing Office

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