

TED ELKES MEMORIAL REGATTA



Saturday 18th - Sunday 19th November 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organising Authority

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Southport Yacht Club Race Committee

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Drew Jones

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Glenn Burrell

Principal Race Officer

Simon Turpin

SYC Divisional Representative

Barry Berg

Support Staff

General Manager

Brett James

Sailing Officer

Steven Murphy

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 Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 1 Category 6 shall apply.
- 1.3. 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
- 1.4. IRC International Rating Certificate (IRC) Parts A, B & C (including AS Prescriptions) where applicable.
- 1.5. ORC Offshore Racing Congress (ORC) Rating Rules where applicable.
- 1.6. OMR Offshore Multihull Rating (OMR) Rules where applicable.
- 1.7. As applicable, the relevant One Design Class Rules.
- 1.8. RRS Appendix WP – Rules for Racing Around Waypoints will apply when applicable.
- 1.9. Where lifelines complying with AS SR Part 1 Section 3 Rule 3.12 have not been fitted, all crew while racing shall wear a visible personal floatation device as per AS SR Part 1 Section 5.
- 1.10. IRC Division:
 - (a) The current IRC Rules shall apply for boats competing in IRC Division.
 - (b) Boats competing in IRC Shall submit a copy of their current IRC Certificate.
- 1.11. CBH Sportsboats and Trailerables Division:
 - (a) The ATYSBR Rules shall apply for boats completing in Sportsboats and Trailerable Yachts.
- 1.12. OMR:
 - (a) The OMR Rules shall apply for boats competing in OMR
- 1.13. [NP] denotes that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.14. [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee
- 1.15. [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty will be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 1.16. 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”.
- 1.17. 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”.
- 1.18. 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.
- 1.19. Before 0900hrs on the first race day of the regatta, all boats in IRC Classes shall submit to the regatta office a declaration of all the sails carried on board for the duration of the regatta (IRC Rule 21.1.5(d)) (See SI Attachment C).
- 1.20. Before 0900hrs on the first race day of the regatta, all boats in IRC Classes shall submit to the regatta office a declaration of all the crew on board, and their weight for the duration of the regatta (IRC Rule 22.4.2) (See SI Attachment D)
- 1.21. RRS 44.3(c) is amended to a scoring time penalty as per SI 12.
- 1.22. RRS 52 Manual Power is not applicable.
- 1.23. GPS positions or waypoints specified use WGS84 Datum.
- 1.24. RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies.

2. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0730 hours on the day of the Race, except that any change which affects the schedule of the Race will be posted before 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect.

- 2.1. When conflict occurs between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located inside the Fo’c’sle room of Southport Yacht Club, Main Beach.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the Quarterdeck of the Southport Yacht Club Main Beach.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Sat 18 th November 2022	Skipper’s Briefing @ SYC Main Beach	0800hrs
	Warning Signal (not before)	0955hrs
	Daily Results Presentation @ SYC Main Beach (approx.)	1700hrs
Sun 19 th November 2022	Skipper’s Briefing @ SYC Main Beach	0800hrs
	Warning Signal (not before)	0955hrs
	Presentation @ SYC Main Beach (approx.)	1700hrs

6 Divisions and Divisional FLAGS

The Warning Signal for Division One will be Numeral Pennant 1
 The Warning Signal for Division Two will be Numeral Pennant 2

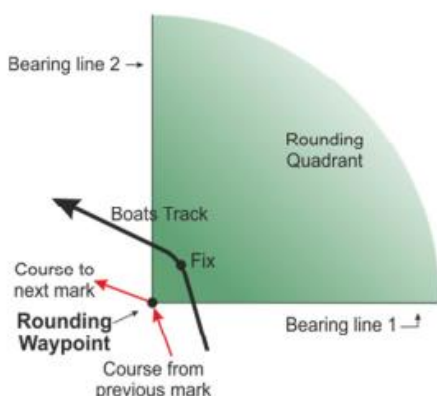
7 COURSES

- 7.13 There is a mixture of windward/return courses and passage races scheduled for this regatta.
- 7.14 The diagrams in SI Attachment B show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.15 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display a Course Board with the course to be sailed.

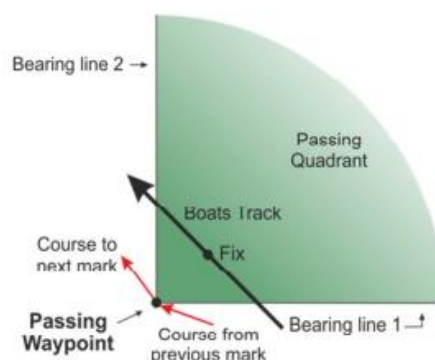
8 MARKS

- 8.1 Refer to SI Attachment A Marks & Buoys.
- 8.2 If a designated Mark is missing or has shifted more than 100 Metres for Passage courses from its approx. GPS position, then boats shall round the position using the GPS Coordinates as stated in Attachment A.
- 8.3 If one of the gate marks is missing, then the remaining mark shall be left to port.
- 8.4 When Rounding or Passing Waypoints are used, the GPS Co-ordinates as listed in Attachment A are to be used.
- 8.5 Rounding or Passing Waypoint Marks have an associated rounding quadrant defined as the area enclosed between the two bearing lines (with 90 degrees between them) extending from the waypoint. A boat that provides a valid GPS fix within this quadrant is deemed to have rounded or passed the Waypoint Mark on the correct side.

Rounding Waypoint



Passing Waypoint



9 OBSTRUCTIONS & PROHIBITED AREAS

- 9.1 The finish line is an obstruction, unless finishing. Boats crossing the finish line incorrectly will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 9.2 All coastline "Shark Nets" are to be passed to seaward and are designated obstructions with the western side of these being defined as a prohibited area.
- 9.3 For the purposes of RRS 19 & 20, "Wonder Reef" – the Gold Coast dive attraction which is located 2.5 km east of Main Beach at approximately 27° 57.70' S, 153° 27.30' E is a continuing obstruction and a prohibited area. This area is defined with four (4) yellow special marker buoys.
- 9.4 All Queensland wave monitoring sites have an enforceable 100 metre exclusion zone around each wave buoy which is a prohibited area. Wave monitoring sites are approx. located at:
- | | | |
|-------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Gold Coast: | Latitude: 27° 57.914' S | Longitude: 153° 26.555' E |
| Palm Beach: | Latitude: 28° 05.956' S | Longitude: 153° 29.073' E |
| Bilinga: | Latitude: 28° 08.581' S | Longitude: 153° 30.646' E |
- 9.5 A boat shall not sail into a prohibited area.

10 START AND FINISH

- 10.1 The starting area shall be located approx. 1nm off Main Beach.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an Orange flag or shape on the Race Committee Vessel at the Starboard end of the line, and the Starting Mark at the Port end.
- 10.3 [NP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.4 A boat that does not start within 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 10.5 The finish line will be between the signal mast displaying a Blue flag on the race committee signal vessel at the Port end of the line, and the Finish Mark at the Starboard end.

11 TIME LIMITS

- 11.1 **Windward/Leeward Courses:** The time limit for the first yacht to finish is 90mins. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat of their division sails the course and finishes or within the time limit, whichever is the later, will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus 25% of the number of starters in her Division, rounded to the nearest whole number, but no more points than the number of starters. Such boats will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This changes RRS 35, A4.2 and A5. Prior to the time limit expiring, the Race Committee shall record the score of TLE to boats still racing that will not make the time limit. This changes rule 28.1, 35, A4.2 and A5.
- 11.2 **Passage Courses:** The time limit for all yachts to finish is 6 hours. Boats failing to finish within 6 hours will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus 25% of the number of starters in her Division, rounded to the nearest whole number, but no more points than the number of starters. Such boats will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This changes RRS 35, A4.2 and A5. Prior to the time limit expiring, the Race Committee shall record the score of TLE to boats still racing that will not make the time limit. This changes rule 28.1, 35, A4.2 and A5.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 Alternative Penalties - For windward/leeward courses the two-turns penalty (RRS 44.1) is changed to a one turn penalty, except for infringements that occur within the zone.
- 12.2 Event Nominated Penalties shall be a 20% scoring penalty. This will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). The scoring abbreviation for an Event Nominated Penalty under this instruction will be ENP. The penalty shall be applied to the race sailed nearest, in time to that of the breach. This changes RRS Rule 60, 60.2, A4 and A5.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 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.

- 13.2 Protest forms are available at SYC Reception, Main Beach. Protests shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit.
- 13.3 The Protest Time Limit is ninety (90) 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.
- 13.4 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.
- 13.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).
- 13.6 Breaches of SIs 1.19, 1.20, 11, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 22 shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

14. HANDICAPS

- 14.1 ORC Windward/Leeward time on time ratings will be used for Windward /Leeward Courses.
- 14.2 ORC All purpose Time On Time ratings will be used for all Passage Courses.
- 14.3 PHS Handicaps will be calculated using a rating expressed as a TCF to three decimal points. The starting Performance Based Handicap Time Correction Factor (TCF) for each yacht will be determined by the Southport Yacht Club Handicap Committee. The decision of the Handicap Committee or the representative on any handicap matter will be final and will not be grounds for requests for redress. This alters RRS 60.1 (b).

15. SCORING

- 15.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 When fewer than three (3) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.3 When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS [NP]

- 16.1 The Race Committee may consider other AS Special Regulations Part 1 Categories for some One Design Classes to comply with Division Rules.
- 16.2 A boat may be inspected at any time for compliance with Special Regulations or Rating Certification.
- 16.3 All boats shall "Log On" with Gold Coast Seaway Tower on VHF73 providing Boat Name, Sail Number, Persons on Board (POB), Mobile Number, Vessel Registration Number and Estimated Time of Return (ETR) **prior** to departing the Gold Coast Seaway.
- 16.4 All boats shall "Sign On" with Race Control **before** the first warning signal on VHF09 advising their Boat Name, Sail Number and Persons on Board (POB). Race Control will confirm their recorded details for confirmation on "Sign On".
- 16.5 A boat that retires from a race shall notify Race Control as soon as possible. This must be via VHF09 if Race Control is still On Station **or** by texting the mobile number 0400 55 8917, advising their exact location and their intentions of travel.
- 16.6 All boats shall "Log Off" with Gold Coast Seaway Tower on VHF73 immediately upon safely retuning through the Gold Coast Seaway.

17. RUBBISH DISPOSALS

Boats shall not put rubbish in the water.

18. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 18.1 All communications by the Race Committee shall be made to competitors via VHF09.
- 18.2 All boats shall carry a working VHF radio and monitor channel VHF09 at all times.

19. PRIZES

- 19.1 Prizes will be awarded to First, Second and Third for overall Series Scores for ORC, IRC and PHS results for each division.
- 19.2 The Overall First place winner of ORC results will be presented with the Southport Yacht Club Ted Elkes Memorial Regatta Perpetual Trophy at the Presentation.

- 19.3 The Overall First place winner of IRC Monohull Division One results will be presented with the Gold Coast IRC Championships Perpetual Trophy.
- 19.4 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

20. **INSURANCE**

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.

21. **RESULTS**

Results will be posted on the official notice board located inside the 'Focsle' room of Southport Yacht Club, Main Beach and on the Southport Yacht Club's website.

22. **DISCLAIMERS OF LIABILITY**

All those taking part in races conducted by Southport Yacht Club do so at their own risk and responsibility. 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. Attention is drawn to RRS Rule 3 which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

23. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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Email: sailing.ops@sycgc.com.au

ATTACHMENT A – MARKS & BUOYS

DESIGNATED MARKS	LOCATION	Approximate GPS COORDINATES	RRS Appendix WP-Quadrant between bearing lines (if used)
Offshore Start/Finish	Approx. 1NM South of Sand Pump Jetty	27° 57.300'S 153° 26.200'E	
A	Surfers Mark	28° 00.135'S 153° 26.800'E	180° and 270° when heading in a Southerly direction. 0° and 270° when heading in a Northerly direction.
B	Burleigh Mark	28° 05.100'S 153° 27.800'E	180° and 270° when heading in a Southerly direction. 0° and 270° when heading in a Northerly direction.
C	Currumbin Mark	28° 07.300'S 153° 29.500'E	180° and 270° when heading in a Southerly direction. 0° and 270° when heading in a Northerly direction.
E	Laid Mark	As described at Skipper's Briefing	
F1	Offshore Yellow "FAD1"	27° 59.330'S 153° 31.750'E	
S	Snapper Mark	28° 09.330'S 153° 33.000'E	180° and 270°
X	Laid Clearance Buoy (If Used)	Approx. 0.8NM to windward of the Start Line and to be rounded as signalled by the Race Committee vessel.	

BUOY	DESCRIPTION
START	Orange Inflatable cylinder with Black Top
FINISH	Blue Inflatable cylinder
A, B, C, E, S, X	Yellow Inflatable cylinder
F1	Yellow Conical MSQ Marker – "FAD1"
1, 1a, 2, 3s, 3p	Orange, Red or Yellow Inflatable Cylinder as advised at Skipper's Briefing
Barging Buoy	Pink Teardrop

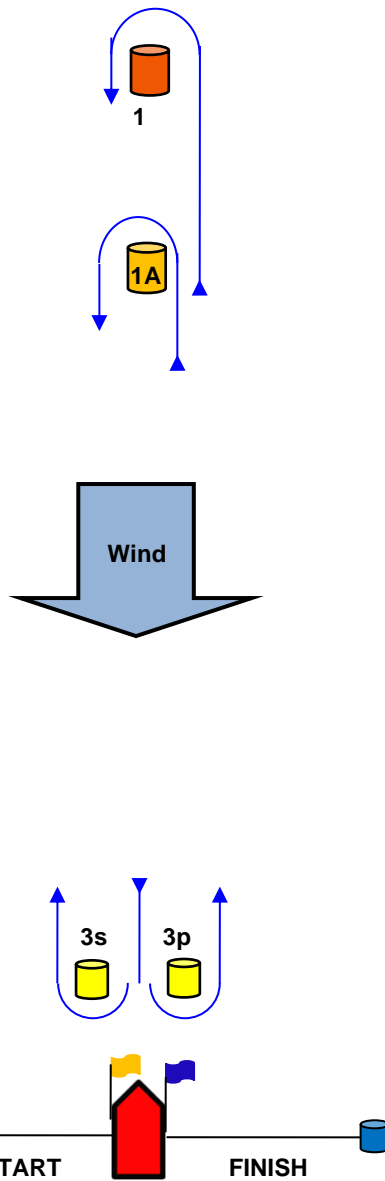
ATTACHMENT B - COURES



COURSE	MARK ROUNDINGS	TYPE
W1	START – 1 – FINISH	RTC
W2	START – 1 - 3s/3p – 1 - FINISH	RTC
W3	START – 1 – 3s/3p – 1 – 3s/3p – 1 – FINISH	RTC
L1	START – 1a – FINISH	RTC
L2	START – 1a - 3s/3p – 1a - FINISH	RTC
L3	START – 1a – 3s/3p – 1a – 3s/3p – 1a - FINISH	RTC
B1	START – X* – A (P) – B (P) – A(S) – FINISH	PSG
B2	START – X - A (P) – B (P) – A (S) – X (P) – A (P) – FINISH	PSG
B3	START – X* - A (P) – B (P) – A (P) – START (P) – A (P) – FINISH	PSG
F1	START – X* - F1 (S) – A (S) - FINISH	PSG
F2	START – X - F1 (S) – A (S) – X (S) – A (S) - FINISH	PSG
F3	START – X* - A (P) – F1 (P) – A (S) - FINISH	PSG
Q1	START – X* – A (P) – FINISH	PSG
Q2	START – X* – A (P) – X (P) – A (P) – FINISH	PSG
C1	START – X* – A (P) – C (P) – A (S) – FINISH	PSG
C2	START – X* – A (P) – D (P) - A (S) – FINISH	PSG
SP1	START – X* – A – B – E - FINISH	PSG
SP2	START – X* – A – B – E – A (S) - FINISH	PSG
SP3	START – X* – E – A – E - FINISH	PSG
SP4	START – A – E - FINISH	PSG
X1	A Course set by the Race Committee as advised at the Skipper's Briefing	
<p>NB: Where no Leeward gate (3s/3p) is present, 3p shall be substituted.</p> <p>*If used – (laid clearance buoy approx. 0.8nm to windward of start line).</p>		

ATTACHMENT B - COURSES

WINDWARD/LEEWARD & TRIANGULAR COURSE



The Start/Finish line and buoys may change & will be confirmed at the Skippers Briefing.

ATTACHMENT C

2023 Ted Elkes Memorial Regatta inc.
Gold Coast IRC Championships
IRC Division



Sail Declaration

Yacht Name		Sail No.
Type of Sail		Manufacturer

Owner / Skipper Signature: _____

Date: _____

ATTACHMENT D

2023 Ted Elkes Memorial Regatta inc.
Gold Coast IRC Championships
IRC Division



Crew Weight Declaration

Yacht Name	Sail Number
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Crew no. printed on IRC certificate: _____

Crew List		
	Name	Weight (kg)
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		

Total Weight: _____

Owner / Skipper Signature: _____

Date: _____



PARENTAL CONSENT & INDEMNITY FORM

For Participants under the age of 18

Event Details/Name:

Participant Details:

First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Email: _____ Mobile: _____

Please note any medical conditions which are relevant for this event:

Parent/Guardian Details:

Full Name: _____ Relationship to the Child: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ State: _____ P/Code: _____

PARENTAL CONSENT & INDEMNITY

Parental Consent: I give permission for my child to attend and participate in the abovementioned Southport Yacht Club event. Indemnity: I understand that while every reasonable precaution will be undertaken to ensure the protection of my child, I hereby release Southport Yacht Club, authorised staff and volunteers from any and all liability in the event of any injury, accident, misfortune, damage or loss that may occur to my child and/or their property while present at the aforementioned Southport Yacht Club event. Further, I indemnify Southport Yacht Club, authorised staff and volunteers from and against all loss, including legal expenses, connected with or arising from any claims or demands in relation to my child's attendance at the event. I agree and understand that Southport Yacht Club, authorised staff and volunteers reserve the right to exercise discretion to refuse to register any participant upon medical and/or other grounds without providing a detailed reason for doing so. Medical Treatment Consent: I give permission for Southport Yacht Club to obtain emergency medical, hospital or ambulance assistance and/or treatment for my child at any time they consider necessary. I understand that every effort will be made for myself to be notified before instituting such procedures. I acknowledge that I will be liable for any medical, hospital or ambulance expenses incurred in my child's treatment and I agree to pay those expenses. Privacy Declaration: I understand that Southport Yacht Club may collect information about my child in accordance with their Privacy Policy, and that this information may be disclosed to certain parties it engages in this event. I consent to these details being used by Southport Yacht Club for the promotion of future events and resources.

I give permission for Paracetamol to be administered to my child, at the discretion of Southport Yacht Club and authorised staff.

Full Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

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