

# Safety Beach Sailing Club

## 2011-2012

Red Dolphin Series

Foundation Series

Club Championship

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the special regulations of Yachting Australia, Class rules and by these Sailing Instructions.

### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Safety Beach SC.

### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1200 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted on the notice board by 1800 on the Wednesday before it will take effect.

### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag mast.
- 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**

- 5.1 See Safety Beach Sailing Club Sailing Program 2011-12.
- 5.2 After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

### **6 DIVISION FLAGS**

Division flags will be numeral pennants. :

Division 1	Numeral 1	Yachts with Yardstick >138 (Minnows, Opti's)
Division 2	Numeral 2	Mono-Hulls Yardstick 112 - 137 inclusive
Division 3	Numeral 3	Mono-Hulls Yardstick Up to 111 inclusive
Division 4	Numeral 4	(not applicable)

- Division 5    Numeral 5    Catamarans Yardstick 78 - 102 inclusive  
 Division 6    Numeral 6    Catamarans Yardstick Up to 77 inclusive

## **7 RACING AREAS**

In the vicinity of Safety Beach Sailing Club.

## **8 THE COURSES**

- 8.1 The diagram in Attachment A shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs and the mark roundings for each division. Port or Starboard courses may be set. The approximate course length from mark 'C' to 'A' will be 0.7nm.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 8.3 The course may be shortened, for any or all divisions, at any mark in accordance with rule 32.2a.
- 8.4 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes rule 33.

## **9 MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks A, B, & C will be yellow inflatable buoys.
- 9.2 The mark at the port end of the starting / finishing line will be orange.

## **10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

The following areas are designated as obstructions: the mussel farm to the west as marked by four yellow buoys.

## **11 THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started as follows:

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Flag and sound</i>	<i>Minutes</i>
Warning	Division Flag; 1 sound	3
Preparatory	P, I or Black Flag, 1 sound	2
One-minute	Preparatory Flag removed; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Division Flag removed; 1 sound	0

This changes rule 26.

- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end finishing mark.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 13.1 Rule 44 is unchanged, however, the Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, shall not apply.
- 13.2 As provided in rule 67, the protest committee may, without a hearing, penalize a boat that has broken rule 42.

## **14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

- 14.1 Time limits for the first boat in each division is 60 minutes.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 For each division, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 15.3 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 training room downstairs, beginning at the time posted.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5 A list of boats that, under instruction 14.3, have been penalized for breaking rule 42 will be posted.
- 15.6 Breaches of instructions 11.3, 17, and 21 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 15.7 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.

## **16 SCORING**

- 16.1 The Low Point System, RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 16.2 Competitors represented by personnel on duty will scores points equal to the average of their best races at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 16.3 The number of races to constitute a series shall be as follows:
  - Red Dolphin Series: three races to be completed.
  - Foundation Series: three races to be completed.
  - Club Championship: five races to be completed.
- 16.4 The number of races to count for a series score shall be as follows:
  - Red Dolphin Series: drop one race after five completed.
  - Foundation Series: drop one race after four completed,  
drop a second race after seven completed.

All races in the Foundation series must be sailed to be eligible for the Australia Day Medal.

Club Championship:            drop one race after six completed,  
   drop a second race after nine completed,  
   drop a third race after fourteen completed,  
   drop a fourth race after nineteen completed.

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

## **18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

18.2 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.

## **19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

19.1 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.

19.2 A multi-hulled yacht may have - in addition to all other safety requirements - in an easily accessible place and securely attached to a strong point at or about the front beam, a 'righting rope' or ropes, i.e. a length of rope(s) of sufficient length and strength to support all crew members simultaneously above water level with the rope extended from the anchorage point and over the gunwale of the uppermost hull when the yacht is capsized. Such rope(s) may be in addition, and may be separate to all other rigging and equipment, and may be used for the purpose of assisting to right the yacht after capsizes.

## **20 OFFICIAL BOATS**

Official boats will fly the Safety Beach Sailing Club burgee.

## **21 TRASH DISPOSAL**

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

## **22 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follows:

Club Championship: Perpetual Trophy for Overall Club Champion, Perpetual Trophy for Catamaran Champion, Perpetual Trophy for Monohull Champion, Perpetual Trophy for Handicap Champion, Perpetual Trophy for Junior Champion.

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> overall.

Division prizes depending on the number of competitors completing the series.

Foundation Series: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> overall.

Division prizes depending on the number of competitors completing the series.  
Red Dolphin Series: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> overall.

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A minimum of three (3) boats must each complete at least 2/3 of the races in a series  
(or a minimum of 3 races) to constitute a series for their division.

## **23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

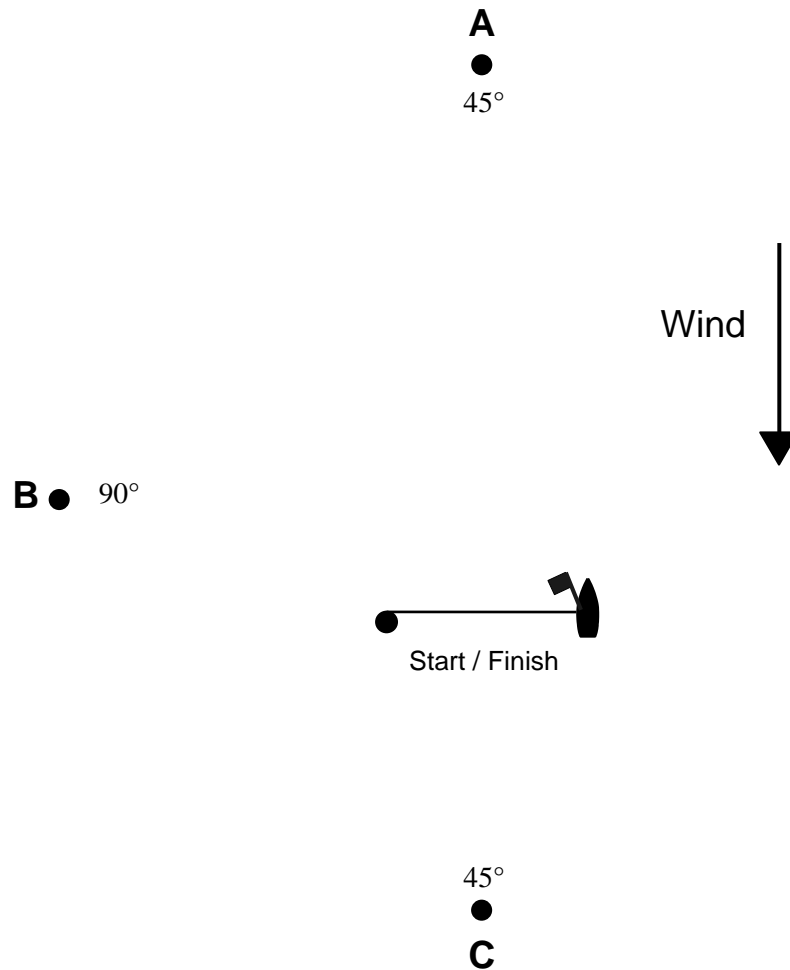
Competitors participate in any series entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after any series.

## **24 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

# Attachment A

Port course shown



Division 1 course: Start – A – B – C, – Finish

Division 2 course: Start – A – B – C, – A – C, – Finish

Divisions 3 and 5 course: Start – A – B – C, – A – C, – A – B – C, – Finish

Division 6 course: Start – A – B – C, – A – C, – A – C, – A – C, – Finish