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2024

SB20 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday 23rd to Monday 25th
March 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



Organising Authority: Port Dalrymple Yacht Club Inc (PDYC).



[DP] Means a penalty that is at the discretion of the Jury

[NP] Means that a breach of this rule will not be subject to a protest by a boat.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. Class Rule C.5.1 is deleted and replaced with the safety equipment list in Appendix C of the Notice of Race.
- 1.3. Appendix P of the rules will apply to this regatta with P2.1 changed to a one-turn penalty, and P2.2 will apply to second and subsequent penalties. P2.3 is deleted.
- 1.4. Appendix T Arbitration will apply to this regatta as changed below.
- 1.5. There will be on-water rules observers, who may notify competitors on the water, by blowing a whistle, that a rule breach was observed. In this case competitors may consider taking a penalty at the time or initiating a protest. Protests arising from these observations may be initiated by the Protest Committee under RRS 60.3.

2. ENTRIES

- 2.1. Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the organising authority in accordance with the Notice of Race.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the PDYC clubhouse.

4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board not less than 120 minutes prior to the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the PDYC start box flagpole.
- 5.2. Flag AP with two sound signals (one when lowered) means "The race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after AP is lowered." This changes Race Signals.
- 5.3. Code Flag T shall mean that towing to and from the course area is allowed.

6. SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday	22 March	1600 – 1800	Registration and weigh-in opens @ PDYC
Saturday	23 March	0800	Registration and weigh-in continues @ PDYC
Saturday	23 March	1100	Weigh-in closes and briefing @ PDYC
Saturday	23 March	1300	1 st Warning signal and back to back races
Sunday	24 March	1030	1 st Warning signal and back to back races
Monday	25 March	1030	1 st Warning signal and back to back races

- 6.1. The Warning Signal for back to back races will be made not less than five minutes after the last boat has finished the previous race. Competitors are expected to remain afloat and in the vicinity of the starting line.
- 6.2. There will be a maximum of ten races scheduled and no more than five races on any day.



6.3. After a long postponement, to alert boats that a start sequence will begin soon an orange flag will be displayed with one sound. The orange flag will be displayed for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

6.4. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 15:00 hours.

7. CLASS FLAG

7.1. SB20 Class insignia on a white background.

8. RACING AREA

8.1. The racing area will be as shown in NoR Appendix B

9. COURSE

9.1. The course shall be as set out in Attachment 1.

10. MARKS

1, 1a, 2s & 2p	-	Yellow Inflatable Buoy
Starting line	-	Red inflatable buoy or Pin Boat with an orange staff
Starting distance mark (if laid)	-	Green flag mark
Finish line	-	White inflatable Buoy
Change of Course	-	Green inflatable Buoy with white and Pink band

11. THE START

11.1. The starting line will be between orange pole on race committee boats at each end of the starting line, or an orange pole on a race committee boat at the starboard end and a starting mark at the port end. A green distance mark may be laid, to be left on the same side as the RC boat.

11.2. A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. [DP] [NP]

11.3. Information may be relayed to competitors using VHF Channel 77.

12. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

12.1. A change of course after the start will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not then be in position.

12.2. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.

12.3. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark. This changes Rule 33.

12.4. In a change of course, mark 1a will not be deployed.

13. THE FINISH

13.1. The finishing line will be between an orange pole on the race committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.



13.2. Code Flag L when flown from a race committee boat at the Finish shall mean Another Race will start as soon as practical. This changes Race Signals.

14. TIME LIMIT

14.1. The time limit for the first boat to reach Mark 1 is 30 minutes and for the first boat to Finish is 75 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes of the first boat will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes Rule 35. [NP]

14.2. The target time for a race will be 40 minutes. Failure to meet a target time will not be grounds for redress. [NP]

15. SUPPORT BOATS [DP][NP]

15.1. A boat shall receive no outside assistance from support boats or support persons or otherwise once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing where the Race Committee has communicated to the fleet that all competitors may accept a tow. For the avoidance of doubt, outside assistance includes verbal communication and the transfer of physical items.

15.2. Notwithstanding the above, toilet stops are permitted as required on designated boats.

15.3. No support boat will go within 100 metres of the course, any racing boat or a mark of the course while boats are racing unless requested by the Race Committee to do so or in an emergency.

15.4. Penalties for a breach of this Sailing Instruction will be at the discretion of the protest committee up to and including disqualification of all boats associated with the team or private support boat.

15.5. At all times, support boats must be on call on VHF channel 77.

15.6. In the State of Tasmania, the law requires that all occupants of powered craft under 6m in length shall wear an approved lifejacket at all times when underway.

16. MEASURING AND EQUIPMENT CHECKS

16.1. All boats and equipment shall be available for measurement where the following measurements may be taken:

16.1.1. Crew weighing according to the SB20 Class Measurement Rules (C3.1). For this item the full crew shall be presented at the same time.

16.1.2. Safety and Equipment checks, including compliance with the Safety Form "SB20 Safety Equipment Form 2023 – 2024".

16.1.3. Boats should be prepared for full inspection.

16.1.4. Random measurement checks may be made during the regatta at the discretion of the Race Committee.

16.1.5. Maximum of 2 sets of sails to be used for the regatta, serial numbers of all sails to be used are to be lodged with Measurer as part of weigh in.

16.2. Competitors are reminded of the Limitations on crew and equipment imposed by Section C of the Class Rules.

17. PENALTIES

17.1. Rule 44.1 is amended so that one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required unless the infringement occurs in the zone or if the boat infringed is from another fleet when the two-turns penalty will apply.

17.2. Appendix P will apply to this regatta modified so that P2.2 will apply to second and subsequent penalties, and P2.3 is deleted. In P2.1 a two-turns penalty is replaced by a one-turn penalty.

17.3. A schedule of boats penalised under Rule 42 & Appendix P will be posted on the noticeboard.



18. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 18.1. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the race office no more than 60 minutes after the last boat's finish in the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals 'no more racing today'.
- 18.2. Protests & requests for redress will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible. Protests will be held in the PDYC Clubrooms sailing office.
- 18.3. Within 30 minutes of the end of Protest Time, a schedule will be posted on the noticeboard listing the parties to the protests and any witnesses.
- 18.4. 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 RRS 62.2.
- 18.5. In the case of requests for redress relating to Rules 30.3 and 30.4, the requesting party shall hear the race officers' recordings of the starts prior to requesting redress. The recordings will be available at the race office before the end of Protest Time.
- 18.6. Appendix T Arbitration will apply to this regatta amended so that an arbitrator may be part of a protest committee in a subsequent protest.

19. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS [DP]

- 19.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive electronic communications while racing which are not available to all boats. This includes mobile phones. Race information may be broadcast on VHF Ch 77

20. HAULOUT, DIVING AND PLASTIC POOL RESTRICTION [DP] [NP]

- 20.1. Boats shall be launched by 1100 on Saturday 23 March 2024 and shall not be hauled out during the regatta (wet regatta) and keels shall remain in the deployed position, except with prior permission of the Race Committee.
- 20.2. SB20s will be berthed in their designated location at PDYC.
- 20.3. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalents shall not be used from haul-into the harbour until the end of the regatta.

21. SCORING

- 21.1. The Low Point System will apply.
- 21.2. There will be a maximum of 10 races.
- 21.3. Three races will constitute a series.
- 21.4. Where six or more races are completed a boat's, worst score will be excluded.
- 21.5. Where fewer than six races are completed there will be no discard. This changes Appendix A.2.
- 21.6. Requests for scoring review may be lodged with the Race Office on the Scoring Review form.

22. PRIZES

- 22.1. Overall prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd on line honours.
- 22.2. First placed Women's team where 50% of the crew must be female including the skipper and subject to there being a minimum of 3 women teams entered in the regatta, at discretion of race committee.
- 22.3. First placed Masters' team where the skipper is over 50 years of age and the average age of the crew is 50 years of age or over and subject to there being a minimum of 3 masters' teams entered in the regatta. at discretion of race committee. Crew ages will be their ages as at the 23rd March 2024.



22.4. First placed Youth team where the skipper is under 26 years of age and the average age of the crew is under 26 years of age and subject to there being a minimum of 3 youth teams entered in the regatta. at discretion of race committee. Crew ages will be their ages as at the 23rd March 2024.

22.5. Presentation will take place at the PDYC clubroom as soon as practicable after the last race on Monday 25th March 2024.

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

23.1. All those participating in the regatta races do so entirely at their own risk and responsibility. Attention is drawn to RRS rule 3, Decision to Race, which states that **the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.**

23.2. The Port Dalrymple Yacht Club, its flag officers, committees, servants, volunteers and agents and all other parties involved with the conduct and organisation of the event disclaim any and every responsibility for loss, damage, injury, death or inconvenience that might occur to persons or property, both ashore or afloat, as a consequence of participation in the race covered by this notice of race and by the sailing instructions.



ATTACHMENT 1

Course

Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2p – Finish

Marks 1, 1a and 2p are to be left to port and Mark 2s is to be left to starboard.

Note: If a gate mark is missing, the remaining mark will be left to port.

Not to scale.

