



# CHAMPIONSHIPS

SATURDAY 18TH OF NOVEMBER - SUNDAY 19TH OF NOVEMBER

**ROYAL PERTH YACHT CLUB || CRAWLEY CLUBHOUSE**

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



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**2023 ILCA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
**ROYAL PERTH YACHT CLUB**  
**18<sup>TH</sup>- 19<sup>TH</sup> November 2023**

**Sailing Instructions (SI)**

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[DP] denotes a rule of which the penalty is at discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing.

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2. (SP) Australian Sailing Special Regulation Part 2 Off the Beach Boats, will apply. It is the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that life jackets comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in the regulations.
- 1.3. Appendix P will apply. RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 1.4. In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. (This changes RRS 63.7)

**2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official noticeboard at least two (2) hours before the scheduled time of the first race of the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

**3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the four northwest windows of the RPYC Off the Beach clubhouse.
- 3.2. The race office is located at Royal Perth Yacht Club, Australia II Drive, Crawley Western Australia +61 8 9389 1555 [boatingadmin@rpyc.com.au](mailto:boatingadmin@rpyc.com.au)
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 77
- 3.4. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

**4. CODE OF CONDUCT**

- 4.1. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials

**5. [DP] [NP] SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagstaff on the Australia II Ceremonial Deck
- 5.2. When flag "AP" is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signal AP.

## 6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1. Events are scheduled as follows:

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	1600	Close of Entries
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	1000 - 1500	Registration
	1430	Volunteers' briefing
	1500	Competitors' meeting, Coaches & Support boats meeting
	1630	First warning signal, subsequent races to follow
	1830	Time of latest possible attention signal
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	0800	Volunteers' briefing
	0815	Competitors' meeting, Coaches & Support boats meeting
	0930	First warning signal, subsequent races to follow
	1530	Time of latest possible warning signal
	1630	Presentation ceremony

6.2. ILCA masters will sail up to 6 races over two days (the first two races in each session); the regatta for all other classes will consist of up to 8 races over two days.

6.3. ILCA Masters will race in their respective classes (ILCA 7 and ILCA 6)

6.4. No warning signal will be made after 1530 on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November

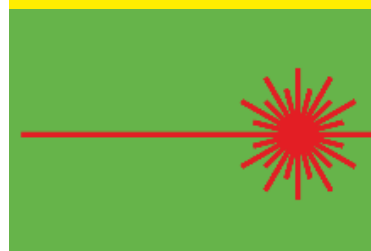
## 7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1. The class flags are:

ILCA 4



ILCA 6



ILCA 7



**8. RACING AREA**

- 8.1. The racing area is on the waters of the Swan River known as Matilda Bay and Melville Water East, which are in close proximity to the Royal Perth Yacht Club

**9. THE COURSES**

- 9.1. The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, the side on which each mark is to be left, and the race flag indicating the course to be sailed.
- 9.2. **[SP] [NP] Active Start / Finish Line:** Except when starting or finishing, boats shall not sail through a Start / Finish line when an orange flag is displayed on the Committee boat.

**10. MARKS**

- 10.1. Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be **orange conical** inflatable buoys; mark 1a will be a yellow conical inflatable buoy and mark 5 will be a large orange pimple buoy.

**11. THE START**

- 11.1. Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2. The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and a yellow cylindrical buoy at the port end.
- 11.3. To alert boats that a sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed on the Race Committee boat with one sound at least one minute before a warning signal will be displayed.
- 11.4. **[DP] [NP]** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.5. The Race Committee may start more than one class at the same time and may change the sequence of classes being started as the regatta progresses. There will be no prior warning that more than one class will be started, and it shall be the responsibility of boats to heed the class flags displayed with the warning signals.
- 11.6. A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

**12. THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end, and a yellow cylindrical buoy at the port end.

**13. PENALTIES**

- 13.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty
- 13.1. **[DP](NP)** A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under RRS 31 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at the Race Office within the protest time limit.
- 13.2. The standard penalty will be 2 points.

**14. TIME LIMIT**

- 14.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
30 minutes	80 minutes	15 minutes

- a. If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- b. The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one (1) more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

## **15. HEARING REQUESTS**

- 15.1. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 15.2. Hearing request forms are available from the Regatta Office.
- 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 Boating Operation Office in the western building in the approximate order that they are received.

## **16. SCORING**

- 16.1. The low point scoring system Appendix A4 shall apply.
- 16.2. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
  - a. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
  - b. When from five to eight races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.3. The ILCA Masters categories (30yrs+) will compete as sub-divisions of the ILCA 6 and ILCA 7 classes. This competition will consist only of the first two (2) races of each session, to a total of six (6) races.
  - a. When more than five races are completed in the ILCA Masters session, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score
  - b. ILCA Masters who sail in all races will be included in the Regatta and Masters competitions. ILCA Masters shall be eligible for one prize only.
- 16.4. Rule A5.3 applies.

## **17. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 17.1. **[DP]** Boats not leaving the beach for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the Race Office.
- 17.2. **[SP][NP]** Before leaving to race for each scheduled racing session, all skippers and crew shall personally sign-on on the required race committee form located outside the OTB Club Room.
- 17.3. **[SP] [NP]** Within protest time limits after returning ashore, a crew shall personally sign-off on the required form.
- 17.4. **[DP](NP)** A boat that retires from racing shall notify the race committee before leaving the racing area, or, if that is not possible, shall notify the regatta office as soon as possible after returning ashore and shall complete a retirement declaration form at the Race Office before the expiry of the protest time limit.

## **18. [DP] MEASUREMENT CHECKS & REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**



- 18.1. All competing yachts shall conform to the measurement requirements of their Class rules. Random measurement checks and inspections may be carried out at any time.

- 18.2. Substitution of competitors shall not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment shall not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee in writing.
- 18.3. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. Forms are available at the Race Office.
- 18.4. Requests made on the water must be confirmed in writing at the next available opportunity.
- 19. [DP] SUPPORT BOATS**
- 19.1. Coaches or other support personnel shall register their vessel with the Organising Authority at <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/rpyc/eventsrsvp/212698/>. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside the area where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment (unless assisting a boat in distress or standing by a capsized boat).
- 19.2. A copy of the regulations is available at [safety-equipment-for-powered-vessels](#) and [Life Jacket](#).
- 20. PRIZES**
- 20.1. Prizes will be awarded as per NOR
- A class or sub-class shall have a minimum of five (5) boats to be eligible for prizes.
  - ILCA 7 Masters and ILCA 6 Masters will be awarded first place prizes only.
- 21. RISK STATEMENT**
- 21.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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**
- 21.2. The Organising Authority their offices, members, staff, volunteers and agents accept no responsibility in respect to loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage of property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Event howsoever arising in connection with the Event.
- 22. INSURANCE**
- 22.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 per incident or equivalent. It is also recommended that vessels shall be insured with comprehensive cover for racing.
- 22.2. The organising authority may request a copy of the Certificate of Currency

Attachment A  
**RACE AREA**  
 Trapezoid Course

COURSES:



**ILCA 4**

Numeral Pennant 1   
 Numerals Pennant 2 

START – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 5 – FINISH

START – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 5 – FINISH

**ILCA 7 AND ILCA 6 /**

Numeral Pennant 1   
 Numerals Pennant 2 

START – 1a – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 5 – FINISH

START – 1a – 4 – 1a – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 5 – FINISH

