



VX One MidWinter Championships

Saturday 25 – Sunday 26 July 2020

Sailing Instructions **inclusive of Amendment No. 1**

Organising Authority (OA)

The Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron

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This event is subject to Government Health Directives relating to Covid-19. The dates may be changed to accommodate the situation which may result from these directives.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing Inc. (AS) Category 7 will apply.
- 1.3 The VX One class rules will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.
- 1.5 Rule 44.1 and Appendix P2.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.6 These Sailing Instructions will supersede the Notice of Race.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board online and additionally may be posted on the physical notice board located outside the Regatta Office.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 60 minutes before the first scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races, which will be posted by 1700 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole adjacent to the Bill Kirby Docks and the fuel pontoon.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The schedule shall be as following:

Date	Event	First Warning Signal / Time
Saturday 25 July 2020	First warning signal	Not before 0900 hrs
Sunday 26 July 2020	Racing	Not before 0900 hrs
	Presentation	After Racing

- 5.2 Eight (8) races are scheduled for this Championship.
- 5.3 Four (4) races per day are planned back to back. Additional races may be sailed on any day provided that the regatta does not become more than one (1) race ahead of schedule. No more than five (5) races may be sailed in one day.
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1300 hours on Sunday 26 July 2020.

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5.5 The Race Committee will fly "A" flag to signal that there will not be any more racing for the day.

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The Class Flag shall be a white flag with the VX One insignia.

7 RACING AREA

7.1 Racing shall be held on the waters of Waterloo Bay, on the Northern Course, in the approximate area shown in Appendix B.

8 COURSES & MARKS

8.1 The diagrams in Appendix A describes the courses and marks.

9 START

9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end and an inflatable mark on the port end, as shown in Appendix B.

9.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

10 CHANGE TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

10.2 The change mark shall be as described in Appendix B.

11 FINISH

11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat on the starboard side and an inflatable mark on the port end (as seen from the course side), as shown in Appendix B.

12 TIME LIMIT

12.1 The target time for all races will be forty (40) minutes.

12.2 The time limit for all races will be seventy (70) minutes.

12.3 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

12.4 Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes of the first boat sailing the course and finishing will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

13 HAUL OUT

13.1 Boats shall not be hauled out, for the duration of the regatta, without the written permission of the Race Committee.

13.2 In-water berthing will be provided for the duration of the regatta at the Bill Kirby Jetty immediately in front of the Clubhouse.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.

14.2 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Regatta Office within the appropriate time limit.

14.3 The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day for each class or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

14.4 Notices will be posted no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

14.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

14.6 Breaches of instructions 13, 16, 18 & 19 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).

14.7 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.

15 SCORING

15.1 The Low Points Scoring System specified in RRS Appendix A will apply as modified below.

15.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

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- 15.3 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding the number of worst scores as below:
- (a) When three (3) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) 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

- 16.1 Personal flotation devices shall be worn at all times whilst afloat. Such devices shall be in good condition and in accordance with the specifications issued or approved by a national authority or standards organisation and branded in the country of origin or manufacture.
- 16.2 Sign-On and Sign-Off: All boats must sign-on before leaving the shore and sign-off as soon as practicable after returning to shore at the completion of the session's racing. Sign On/Off station is located on the RQYS Sailing Office.
- 16.3 The Sign-On period will close at the scheduled Warning Signal time of the first race for that session on that day. Competitors who did not sign-on for the first race in a session but wish to sign on for subsequent races in that session must sign-on prior to launching then inform the Start Boat of their intention to race.
- 16.4 The Sign-Off period for each Class will close at the protest cut-off time for each class.
- 16.5 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 16.6 All competing boats shall carry a working VHF Radio with the capability to communicate with the Race Committee on VHF Channel 72 for the duration of racing in this regatta.

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 17.2 Substitution of skippers will not be allowed after close of registration for the applicable class.
- 17.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta 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 the regatta.

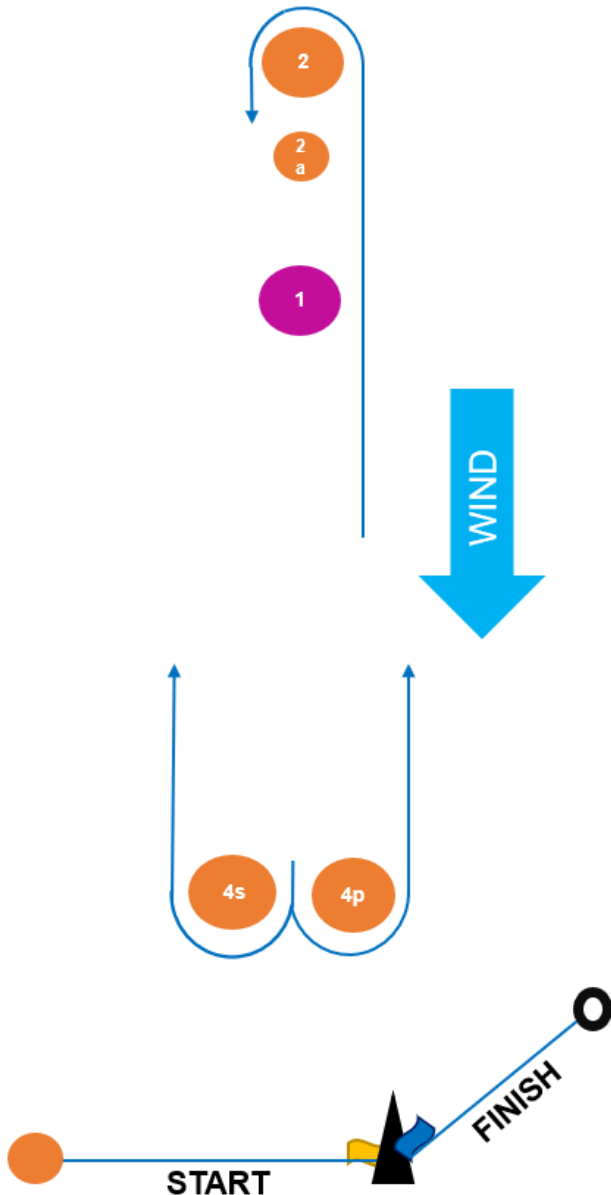
19 INSURANCE

- 19.1 All entrants shall have a current Third-Party Insurance Policy with a racing cover considered by their insurer as adequate for the risks involved. (Minimum AUD\$10 million).

APPENDIX A

COURSES & MARKS

Code	Course	Marks
L2	Start – 2a – 2 – 2a – 4s/4p – 2a – 2 – 2a – Finish	Mark 1 – Purple Inflatable Mark 2, 4S and 4P - Orange inflatable
L3	Start – 2a – 2 – 2a – 4s/4p – 2a – 2 – 2a – 4s/4p – 2a – 2 – 2a – Finish	Mark 2a, start pin– orange tear drops finish pin – small black and white inflatable Change mark – Yellow inflatable



APPENDIX B RACE AREA

