

## 2020 18ft Skiff Regatta

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 All races will be governed by the current versions of:
- (a) The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS) of World Sailing.
  - (b) **These Sailing Instructions apply to 04 October 2020 only. The Off the Beach Sailing Instructions for the 136<sup>th</sup> Sailing Season <https://www.rqys.com.au/club-racing/> will apply to all racing on 03 October 2020 where the 18ft Skiffs will race on the Northern Course alongside other classes.**
  - (c) The Australian 18 Foot Skiff Class Rules.
  - (d) If there is conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
  - (e) Where conflict occurs, these Sailing Instructions shall take precedence **for SUNDAY 04 October only.**
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron.

#### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the RQYS website <https://www.rqys.com.au/sailingnoticeboard/>.

#### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the notice board not less than two (2) hours prior to the start of the race, except that any change to the 'Schedule of Races' will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located near the RQYS VIP Docks.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "one (1) minute" is replaced with "not less than thirty (30) minutes", in the race signal AP.

#### SCHEDULE OF RACES

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Saturday 03 October 2020	First Warning Signal 2 Races	1330 is the first warning on the course for the first starting class
Sunday 04 October 2020	First Warning Signal 3 Races	1230 is the first warning on the course for the first starting class
	Presentation	After Racing

#### 6. CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be a white flag with a black moth insignia.

## **7. COURSES**

- 7.1 The courses are listed on 'Appendix A' and include the laid rounding marks.
- 7.2 Not later than the warning signal, the race committee start boat will display the course number to be sailed as described in 'Appendix A'.

## **8. MARKS**

- 8.1 All marks will be described in Appendix A

## **9. THE START**

- 9.1 The starting line will be between the flag mast of the Committee Vessel and the port end start pin mark.
- 9.2 Races shall be started as per RRS 26.

## **10. RECALLS**

- 10.1 Individual Recalls shall be made in accordance with RRS 29.1, with the exception that a time limit of ten (10) minutes applies for the restart.
- 10.2 General Recalls shall be made in accordance with RRS 29.2.  
After a general Recall, RRS 30.3 may apply to all subsequent starts.
- 10.3 Boats not starting within 10 minutes of the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. Amends APPENDIX A4 and A5.

## **11. THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between the flag mast of the committee vessel and the port side finish pin.

## **12. PENALTY SYSTEM**

A one (1) turn penalty including one tack and one gybe applies for a breach of a *rule* of RRS Part 2. Amends RRS 44.1 and 44.2.

## **13. TIME LIMIT**

The time limit will be one (1) hour except boats not finishing within fifteen (15) minutes of the first boat will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing.

Amends RRS 35, A4 and A5.

#### **14. POINTSCORE**

The Low-Point System as described in RRS Appendix A as modified below will apply. RRS A9 Race Scores in a series longer than a Regatta replaces RRS A4.2 Up to five (5) races are scheduled of which two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

#### **15. PROTESTS**

Protest forms are available at the race office and shall be lodged in writing at the race office. The protest time limit shall be 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

An arbitration meeting in accordance with Appendix T may be held prior to a protest hearing for an incident resulting in a protest by a boat involving one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31.

#### **16. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

16.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing to the Race Committee one hour prior to the scheduled race start time.

16.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing to the Race Committee at least one hour prior to the scheduled race start time.

In the event of a damaged sail within the one hour prior to a race, a replacement sail may be used without consent of the race committee but both the signed in and replacement must be presented to the race committee with a written declaration within one (1) hour of the last boat finishing the last race of the day.

#### **17. RACE HEADQUARTERS**

The Race Headquarters is the RQYS.

#### **18. INDEMNITY**

All those taking part in the regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility. The RQYS is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4 (RRS 2017-2020) Decision to Race, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

#### **19. SAFETY**

All skiffs shall carry a sharp knife capable of cutting high modulus fiber rope, sheathed and restrained and located on the port transom in such a way that it can be accessed with a one handed operation.

No items of apparel are to be worn over the trapeze harness.

#### **20. INSURANCE**

Boats shall have adequate current Third Party Property Liability insurance cover and Third Party Personal Liability insurance cover of not less than \$10,000,000 (ten million) for each separate incident.

Appendix A – Courses

Marks 1, 4s/4p: Orange Inflatables

Marks 2 & 3: Purple Inflatables

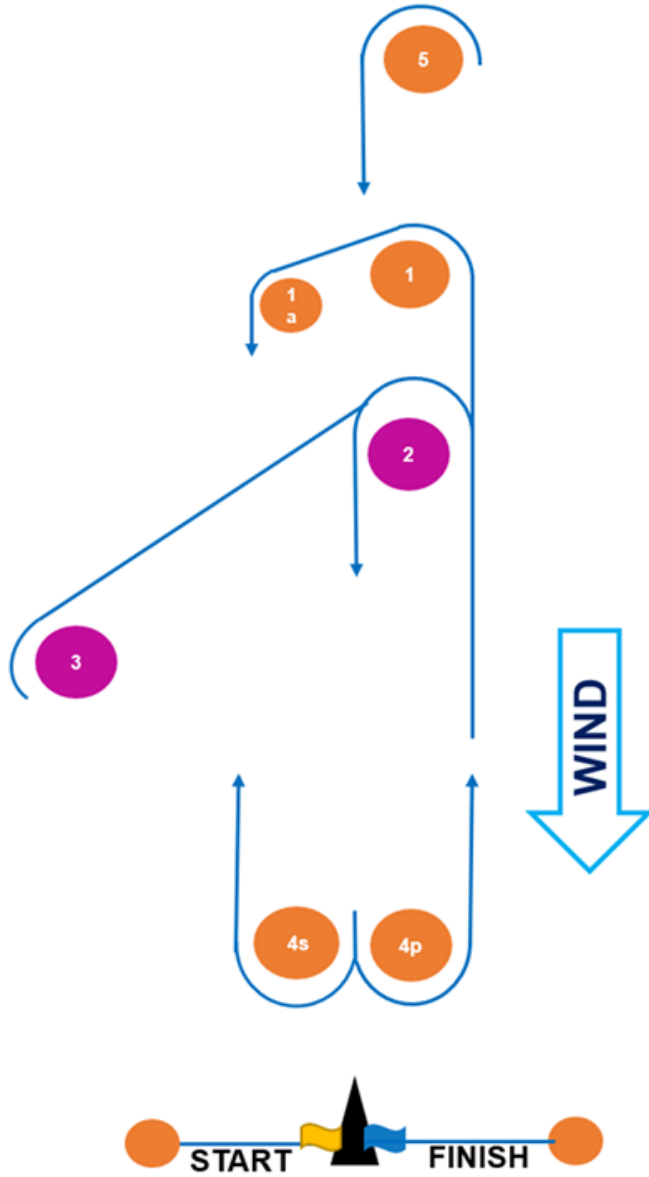
Mark 1a, Start & Finish Pin: Orange Inflatables

Mark 5: Yellow Inflatable

**Saturday**

Course L2: Start - 5 - 4s/4p - 5 - Finish

Course L3: Start - 5 - 4s/4p - 5 - 4s/4p - 5 - Finish



**Sunday**

Mark 4s & 4p: Orange Inflatable

Marks 5: Orange Inflatable

Course L2: Start - 5 - 4s/4p - 5 - Finish

Course L3: Start - 5 - 4s/4p - 5 - 4s/4p - 5 - Finish

