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**AUSTRALIAN
CHAMPIONSHIP**

Friday 30th November to Sunday 2nd December 2018

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organising Authority: Derwent Sailing Squadron Inc.



[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.
- 1.2. Class Rule C.5.1 is deleted and replaced with the safety equipment list in Appendix C of the Notice of Race (NoR).
- 1.3. Appendix P will apply to this regatta changed so that P2.1 is 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 may 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 NoR.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board situated in the window adjacent to the front entrance of the Derwent Sailing Squadron 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 60 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 at the flag pole at the DSS marina entrance.
- 5.2. Flag AP with two sound signals (one when lowered) means "The race is postponed. The next warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after AP is lowered." This changes *Race Signals*.
- 5.3. Flag T means towing is allowed to and from the racing area.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Fri	30 th Nov	0800	Registration and weigh-in opens @ DSS
Fri	30 th Nov	1100	Weigh-in closes and briefing @ DSS
Fri	30 th Nov	1300	1 st Warning signal and back to back races
Sat	1 st Dec	1300	1 st Warning signal and back to back races
Sun	2 nd Dec	1300	1 st Warning signal and back to back races
There will be no warning signal after 1530 on 2 nd December 2018			

- 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 no more than four races on any day.

6.3. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1530 hours.

7. CLASS FLAG

7.1. SB20 Class insignia on a white background.

8. RACING AREA

8.1. 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	Orange inflatable buoy
Starting Line	Pin Boat with an orange pole or a yellow and red inflatable buoy.
Starting distance mark	Green flag mark
Finishing Line	Black and white chequered inflatable.
Change of Course	Yellow inflatable buoy.

NB: In a change of course, Mark 1a will not be deployed.

11. THE START

11.1. The races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 (5 minute sequence)

11.2. The starting line will be between orange poles 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.

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

11.4. Information may be relayed to competitors using VHF Channel 10.

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. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark. This changes Rule 33.

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

12.3. The Course may be shortened at the end of the first lap by the display of code flag S with two sound signals on the Committee vessel. Boats shall sail through the gate (2s / 2p) then to the Finishing line. This changes rule 32.2

13. THE FINISH

13.1. The finishing line will be between an orange pole on the race committee finishing 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. [NP] 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.

- 14.2. Target time for a race will be 55 minutes. Failure to meet a target time will not be grounds for redress.

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. Support boats will be required to register at the race office and complete the Support Boat entry form.,
- 15.3. Notwithstanding the above, toilet stops are permitted as required on designated boats.
- 15.4. 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.
- 15.5. Penalties for a breach of this Sailing Instruction will be at the discretion of the National Jury up to and including disqualification of all boats associated with the team or private support boat.
- 15.6. At all times, support boats must be on call on VHF channel 10.
- 15.7. 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 will be taken:
- a. Crew weighing according to the SB20 Class Measurement Rules. For this item the full crew shall be presented at the same time.
 - b. Safety and Equipment checks.
 - c. Completed Class Safety Audit Forms must be received by SB20 Australia prior to registration
 - d. Boats should be prepared for full inspection, including hull weight control.
 - e. Random measurement checks may be made during the regatta at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 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 in that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required except for infringements that occur within the three boat length zone of a turning mark.
- 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 and Appendix P will be posted on the Jury noticeboard.
- 17.4. Decisions of the national jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

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 and requests for redress will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible. Protests will be held in the Jury Room at the south-eastern end of the DSS Clubhouse.
- 18.3. Within 30 minutes of the end of Protest Time, a schedule will be posted on the Jury 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 10.

20. SCORING

- 20.1. Three races will constitute a series. Where six or more races are completed a boat's worst score will be excluded. There will be a maximum of 10 races. Where fewer than six races are completed there will be no discard. This changes Appendix A.2.
- 20.2. Requests for scoring review may be lodged with the Race Office on the Scoring Review form.

21. SAFETY SIGN-ON AND SIGN-OFF [NP]

- 21.1. Skippers will record their declaration of intention to sail, and to observe and race in accordance with the R.R.S and these Sailing Instructions by signing on before the race
- 21.2. The sign-on and sign-off declaration whiteboard will be displayed in the clubhouse at the Eastern entrance adjacent to the bar.
- 21.3. Skippers may delegate their crew to sign on, sign off or record retirement.
- 21.4. If a skipper does not sign on they will be awarded a score of DNC.
- 21.5. Skippers will hail to the Committee Boat their intention to race prior to the warning signal for the first race of the day.
- 21.6. The skipper of a boat retiring from a race is required to record their retirement on the sign off declaration whiteboard upon returning to shore.
- 21.7. Skippers will sign off within an Hour of returning to shore.
- 21.8. Failing to sign off within the allotted time a penalty of disqualification (DSQ) will be incurred.

22. HAULOUT RESTRICTIONS [DP][NP]

- 22.1. Boats shall be launched by 1200 on Friday 30 November 2018 and shall not be hauled out during the regatta (wet regatta) except with prior permission of the Race Committee. Keels shall remain in the "down" position. Rudders may be removed. Boats will be berthed at RYCT and DSS.

23. PRIZES

- 23.1. Overall prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd on line honours.
- 23.2. First placed Women's team (50% of the crew must be female including skipper) – subject to a minimum of 3 women entries.

- 23.3. First placed Masters' team (skipper over 50 years of age and average age of crew over 50) – subject to minimum of 3 masters' entries. Age date is at 29th November 2018.
- 23.4. First placed Youth team (skipper under 26 years of age and average age of crew under 26) – subject to a minimum of 3 youth entries. Age date is at 29th November 2018.
- 23.5. Presentation will take place as soon as practicable after the last race on Sunday 2nd December 2018.

24. RESPONSIBILITY

- 24.1. All those taking part in the SB20 Australian Championship 2018 races do so at their own risk and responsibility. DSS is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 24.2. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4 which states:
The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

ATTACHMENT 1

Course not to scale

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.

