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# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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## 51st Endeavour National Championships

January 9, 2016 – January 10, 2016

Organising Authority: Drummoyne Sailing Club Ltd

*Endeavour Yacht Association*  
⊕ *of Australia* ⊕



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## 1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013 – 2016.
- 1.2. The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA), Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 2, for Off the Beach Boats will apply.
- 1.3. The Endeavour Class Rules will apply. These rules are the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules of Measurement of Endeavour Class Yachts in Australia.
- 1.4. Subject to the approval of the Race Committee a boat chartered or loaned for the Championship may declare at the time of entry or registration a sail number which may be different from the registered number of the hull provided that the number declared shall not be the sail number of any other boat competing in the regatta (References RRS 77, Appendix G3). Sails with sail numbers belonging to another boat that have been suffixed with an extra digit will not be accepted. Boats shall display the same declared identification numbers on all sails used.

## 2. Notice to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Sailors Lounge of Drummoyne Sailing Club Ltd.

## 3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 90 minutes prior to the start of the 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.

## 4. Signals made ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flag pole located on the eastern corner of the sea wall
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'.

## 5. Schedule of Events

- 5.1. The schedule of events is outlined in Appendix A – Schedule of Events
- 5.2. Three races are scheduled for each days racing. The race committee may elect to sail more than the scheduled number of races on any day and as a result may amend the time of the warning signal for the first race of that day. If the race committee decides to sail another race after completion of the day's scheduled race this will be signalled by flying Code Flag "L" from the finish boat
- 5.3. When more than one race is scheduled on a day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practical after completion of the previous race.
- 5.4. No warning signal on the last day of racing will be made after 1600 hrs.

## 6. Racing Area

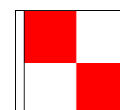
The approximate racing area is outlined in Appendix B – Racing Area

## 7. Courses

- 7.1. The diagrams in Appendix C – Courses show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.2. A numbered flag or board indicating the course number to be sailed will be displayed at or before the warning signal for each race.

## 8. Marks

- 8.1. Championship course rounding marks will be marks displaying code flag "U"



## **9. Areas that are obstructions**

- 9.1. Boats must not pass between any fixed mooring and the nearest shore
- 9.2. Boats are prohibited from passing between:
  - 9.2.1. The area bordered by Snapper Is and the North cardinal mark,
  - 9.2.2. Spectacle Island and the red danger marker to the north,
  - 9.2.3. Spectacle Island and the piles to the northwest.
- 9.3. Information for competitors: Float plane operations take place in the Lane Cove river

## **10. The Start**

- 10.1. Races will be started by using rule 26
- 10.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel and either:
  - 10.2.1. An orange mark; or
  - 10.2.2. A mast flying an orange flag on a pin end boat at the port end.
- 10.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.4. A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 10.5. There will be separate starts for Division 1 Boats (Endeavour 26 Yachts intending to fly spinnakers) and for Division 2 Boats (All other Endeavour Yachts).
- 10.6. The warning signal for Division 1 will be a blue flag. The warning signal for Division 2 will be a yellow flag.

## **11. Changing the next leg of the course**

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.

## **12. The Finish**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel at the starboard end and an orange flag mark at the port end

## **13. Penalty**

- 13.1. A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31 or rule 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the registration area within the protest time limit.

## **14. Time Limits**

- 14.1. The time limit for National Championship is 75 minutes per race. The target time for each race is 45 minutes.
- 14.2. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5

## **15. Protests and Requests for Redress**

- 15.1. Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2. Protests may only be made by a skipper actually involved in, or who witnessed, the incident.
- 15.3. For each division, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 15.4. 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.
- 15.5. Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b)
- 15.6. Breaches of instructions 11.3, 18, 21, 23, 24, and 25 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).

## **16. Scoring**

- 16.1. The Low Point scoring system of the RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 16.2. Six Races are scheduled.
- 16.3. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.4. After five races have been completed, a boat may drop her worst score other than a DNE.

## **17. Equipment and Measurement Checks**

- 17.1. Boats and their equipment, including their safety equipment, may be measured and/or inspected at any time during the regatta by the Race Officer or their delegate
- 17.2. All participants are required to comply with the safety requirements of Yachting Australia. Special Regulations Part 1 Section 2.01.9 (Category 7) throughout the regatta.
- 17.3. Yachts must be able to demonstrate compliance with 17.2 at all times for the duration of the event

## **18. Advertising**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

## **19. Official Boats**

Official boats may fly the DSC Burgee

## **20. Support Boats**

- 20.1. Support personnel and support boats shall stay well clear of areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. A 10 knot speed limit will apply, media boat exempt.
- 20.2. It is required that supports boat carry a VHF radio tuned to the official radio channel and comply with any instructions from the Race Committee.
- 20.3. Information will be available in the registration area which will detail the frequencies and call signs for all support boats. A station shall not sign off or leave the network without approval from the race committee.

## **21. Rubbish Disposal**

Boats shall not put rubbish in the water. Rubbish may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

## **22. Radio Communication**

Except in an emergency, a boat while racing shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. Information for competitors may be available on VHF channel 77.

## **23. Prizes**

### **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP:**

Handicap Overall, 1st, 2nd, 3rd	For Division 1 and Division 2
Line Honours Overall, 1st, 2nd, 3rd	For Division 1 and Division 2

Extra trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

## **Disclaimer of Liability & Risk Warning**

- 23.1. This Risk Warning is issued jointly by Drummoyne Sailing Club and NSW Roads & Maritime, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002 to all persons wishing to participate in this event.
- 23.2. Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. RRS 4, Decision to Race states “the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”
- 23.3. The Organising Authority and NSW Roads & Maritime, their directors, officers, volunteers and sponsors:
- 23.3.1. will not accept any liability for damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after this event; and
- 23.3.2. shall not be responsible for the seaworthiness of any boat whose entry is accepted, the adequacy of its equipment or its insurance arrangements.
- 23.4. Participants are warned that, regardless of the precautions which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death. These risks may include, but are not limited to:
- The extremes of weather and sea conditions;
  - The potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collisions;
  - The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard;
  - The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel;
  - The absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available;
  - Exposure to the elements for extended periods.
- 23.5. The Organising Authority and NSW Roads & Maritime jointly warn participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress.
- 23.6. Participants are warned to consider all risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event

## **24. Media Rights/Photography Consents**

By entering the Regatta competitors are consenting to being photographed and or videotaped whilst participating in the race and or using the Regatta facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and reproduction of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images or any use thereof.

## **25. Insurance**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$10,000,000.

## Appendix A – Schedule of Events

**Locations: BR – Frank Bonnitcha Boardroom; SB – Sailors Bar; BI – Bistro; LC – Lower Car Park; B – Beach**

### Saturday January 9, 2016

- 09.30-10.45 Registration and Sail Measurement ( Note:Please contact Colin Cole 0423364396 prior to Regatta to arrange suitable time before the Regatta to avoid delays on the day)
- 10.45-11.15 Briefing (SB)

First race **not before** 12.15. 3 races planned, successive races to be started as soon as possible after the conclusion of the previous race.

### Sunday January 10, 2016

First Race **not before** 11.30. 3 races planned, successive races to be started as soon as possible after the conclusion of the previous race.

No race to start after 1600

17:30 (approx.) Presentation

#### Catering:

Saturday Canteen open for light Lunch and BBQ dinner and drinks from the bar .(Not included in entry Fee)

Sunday Canteen open for Brunch and BBQ Dinner and drinks from the bar .(Not included in Entry Fee)

Promotion pack for each entry and free parking at the DSC . Please book online at [www.trybooking.com/jpzt](http://www.trybooking.com/jpzt) as soon as possible.

Moorings at no cost from Thursday 7th to Wednesday 13th January BUT numbers are LIMITED and only if entry fee paid and booking made before 1st January 2016. Otherwise, contact Presidents Marina at Drummoyne (300m west of DSC). Powerboats wishing to launch or recover outside the designated times should go to Drummoyne Boat Ramp (The Esplanade, Drummoyne).

## Appendix B – Racing Area



## Appendix C – Courses

<b>Course 1 N/NE</b>	Start Vicinity 2	3-5-1-3-1	Finish Vicinity 2	All to <b>Port</b>
<b>Course 2 E</b>	Start Vicinity 9	3-1-5-3-5	Finish Vicinity 9	All to <b>Starboard</b>
<b>Course 3 S/SE</b>	Start Vicinity 15	1-10-15-1	Finish Vicinity 15	All to <b>Starboard</b>
<b>Course 4 W</b>	Start Vicinity 9	5-1-7-5-7	Finish Vicinity 9	All to <b>Port</b>
<b>Course 6 SW</b>	Start Vicinity 4	1-5-7-1-7	Finish Vicinity 4	All to <b>Starboard</b>

## ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS SAILING EVENTS

- All competitors **must** maintain a minimum distance of **500m** from the bow of any ship<sup>1</sup> and **200m** from the bow of any ferry<sup>2</sup> and no less than 30m from the sides/stern of any ship or ferry underway.
- The Aquatic Licensee must ensure that all competitors receive a briefing in relation to the requirement to keep clear of ships and ferries.
- Vessels are not to navigate between moorings whilst competing.
- Vessels are to endeavour to pass with the Safe Water Mark at Bradleys Head to Port.



**SHIP & FERRY ACTIVATED  
EXCLUSION ZONE**

1 Oil tankers & Seagoing Cruise Ships

2 Other seagoing commercial vessels such as the James Craig or a ferry operating in accordance with an approved timetable