



MHYC

MIDDLE HARBOUR YACHT CLUB

29er Sprint Regatta

Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd July, 2018

The Organising Authority is Middle Harbour Yacht Club
on behalf of the 9er Association of NSW

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



29er Sprint Regatta Sailing Instructions

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 Racing rules will be changed as follows:

(i) When flag AP is flown ashore, the warning signal will be made no earlier than 30 minutes after its removal (amends Race Signals).

(ii) The Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty (amends RRS44.1).

(iii) Boats failing to finish within 8 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing (amends RRS 35 and A4).

(iv) A boat that does not sign on shall be scored DNC for the first race of the day without a hearing (amends RRS63.1).

(v) A boat that does not sign off shall be scored DNF for the last race of the day without a hearing (amends RRS63.1).

1.3 The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the breezeway on the ground floor of MHYC.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the start box flag mast on the north-eastern corner of MHYC.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Date	Time	Activity
Monday 2 nd July 2018	1000-1145	Registration
	1115	Competitor Briefing
	Not before 1230	First warning signal
		Subsequent races will be started as soon as possible after completion of the preceding race
Tuesday 3 rd July 2018	Not before 1030	First warning signal
		Subsequent races will be started as soon as possible after completion of the preceding race
	After Racing	Presentation

5.2 All competitors shall attend the briefing

5.3 Up to 12 races are scheduled

5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1630 on either day of racing

6 CLASS FLAGS

The Class flags will be the 29er insignia on a white field

7 RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of racing areas

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment B 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

8.2 The race committee vessel will display the numeral pennant corresponding to the course number below the class flag at the warning signal

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1, 2S and 2P will be orange inflatable buoys

9.2 New marks, as provided in SI 12.1, will orange inflatable buoys with a black band

9.3 The Start & Finish Mark will be a yellow inflatable buoy

9.4 All Marks are rounded to Port except the Gate (2S & 2P). If only one Gate Mark is laid, all boats shall round that Mark to Port.

9.5 A race committee vessel signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in SI 12.2.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions:

- The area of water between registered moorings and the adjacent shoreline
- The Bombora off Dobroyd Head, Sow and Pigs and Naval Waters

All navigational marks shall be passed on their designated side.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]

11.4 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 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.

12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing boat at the port end and the course side of the starboard-end finishing mark.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Mark 1 time limit</i>	<i>Target time</i>
29er	40 minutes	10 minutes	15 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15.2 Boats failing to finish within 5 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office located on the ground floor reception at MHYC. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

- 16.2** For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.3** 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 protest room, located at MHYC, beginning at the time posted.
- 16.4** Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.5** Breaches of SIs 11.3, 18, 21 and 23 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 16.6** 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.
- 17** **SCORING**
- 17.1** The scoring system is as per RRS Appendix A.
- 17.2** Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3** (a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When from 6 to 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 18** **SAFETY REGULATIONS**
- 18.1** Competitors shall Check-Out and Check-In on the form provided. [DP]
- 18.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP]
- 19** **REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**
- 19.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. [DP]
- 19.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]
- 20** **EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**
- On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or the technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Ashore, equipment may be inspected or measured at any time.
- 21** **SUPPORT BOATS**
- 21.1** Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. [DP]
- 21.2** When the race committee displays code flag "V" with repetitive sounds, all official and support boats shall remain near the course area and monitor the race committee radio channel VHF72 for instructions.
- 22** **TRASH DISPOSAL**
- Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.
- 23** **RADIO COMMUNICATION**
- Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]
- 24** **PRIZES**
- Prizes will be presented to the first three boats in any division with 5 or more entries.

25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

26 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

ATTACHMENT A – COURSE AREAS



ATTACHMENT B – THE COURSES



Course Number	Signal	Course
1	Numeral 1	S – 1 – F
2	Numeral 2	S – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – F
3	Numeral 3	S – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – F

