



The Organising Authority is Australian Sailing

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1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in [The Virtual Racing Rules of Sailing](#) dated 22nd January 2019.
- 1.2 Rule infringements will be decided by the VR system and its decisions are final and are not appealable.
- 1.3 There will be no protests for incidents while racing, any penalties will be applied by VR during the game.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 Club entries to be submitted to the AS on the [online entry form](#) by 18th May 2020.
- 2.2 All state & national finalists must be a member of the Australian Sailing Affiliated Club they represent.

3. Fees

- 3.1 Entry is open to all Australian Sailing Affiliated Clubs. Entry is free.

4. Format of Racing

- 4.1 The Championship will consist of Club Championships with the Club Champions moving to the State Challenge with the State Champions moving to the Australian Sailing eSailing National Challenge.
- 4.2 Clubs will run their own Club Championships.
- 4.3 Maximum number of competitors per race will be 20.
- 4.4 Each race must have a Race Organiser who will be one of the competitors.
- 4.5 Where State Challenge entries exceed 20 the entries will be split and randomly assigned to groups for a qualifying round. The top 20 competitors will proceed through to the State Final.

5. Schedule

- 5.1 The Club Championship winner/nomination shall enter and register via the online registration form by 2359 hours EST on the 18th May 2020.
- 5.2 The State / Territory Challenge Finals to be held and completed by 22 – 24 May 2020.
- 5.3 The National Challenge for the State / Territory Championship winner and second place winner will be sailed on Thursday 28 May 2020.
- 5.4 Times of the first start and the access code shall be advised by the Organising Authority the day prior to the first start.
- 5.5 Communication of the first race shall be contacted by What's App.
- 5.6 Guidance notes are available on the [Australian Sailing eSailing](#) website for Club Organizers.

6. Equipment

- 6.1 The equipment to be sailed will be the J70.

7. Course

The course will be “Upwind Medium” – a windward / leeward course with an offset mark and a downwind finish. TWO laps. The race target time will be 6 minutes. See diagram below.

8. Dropping out from Races

There shall be no redress for dropping out or failing to connect to a race for any reason.

9. Scoring

- 9.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 9.2 Five (5) races are required to be completed in each round.
- 9.3 Two (2) discards can be taken in the five (5) races.
- 9.4 Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.
- 9.5 For qualifying rounds RRS A4.2 is changed such that a boat that did not start, did not finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the largest group.

10. Starting Races

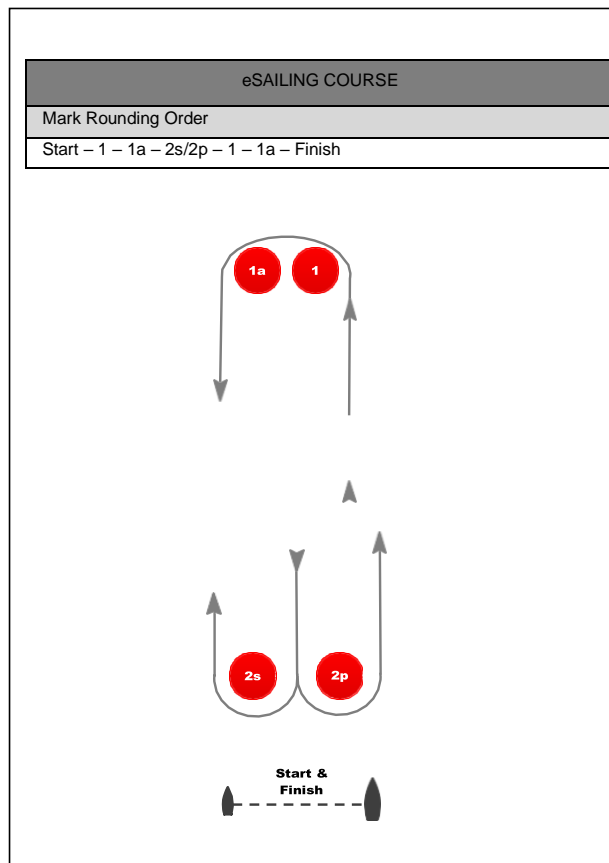
Races shall be started by using the following signals.

| Minutes before starting signal | Visual signal | Sound signal | Means |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 1:15 | P and Virtual Regatta flag | One | Warning signal |
| 1:00 | P removed | One | Preparatory signal |
| 0:00 | Virtual Regatta flag removed | One | Starting signal |

11. Prizes

Prizes will be presented to the state winners and the overall national winner.

12. Course Diagram



13. Disclaimer

AS except no responsibility for data usage or in game purchases by competitors; neither problems experienced by third party providers, Virtual Regatta.

14. Further Information

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