

# *Sailing Instructions* (SI)

## 2021 Australian Kitefoiling Championship

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> to Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022

**Note: these are the 2021 championships that were postponed in 2021 due to Covid restrictions and are now being held in the 2022 year.**

Organising Authority (OA) Jervoise Bay Sailing Club (JBSC), Western Australia

The notation '**[NP]**' in a rule in the sailing instructions (SI) means that the rule is not subject to protest by a competitor. The notation '**[DP]**' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '**[SP]**' in a rule in the SI means the Race Committee (RC) may apply a standard penalty (SP) without a hearing.

### **1 [NP] COVID 19 REGULATIONS**

- 1.1** The racing will be conducted in accordance with Federal & State legislation relating to COVID-19.
- 1.2** All competitors who submit an Entry Form to the organising authority are deemed to have acknowledged they are responsible for deciding whether to participate or not, and will comply with all applicable rules and regulations, including all COVID regulations as required by JBSC.

### **2 RULES**

- 2.1** The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2** Australian Sailing (AS) Prescriptions will apply.
- 2.3** Class rules of the National Class Association Kiteboarding Australia (KA) will apply.
- 2.4** Appendix T Arbitration shall apply.
- 2.5** Appendix F shall apply.

### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 1 hour before it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted within one hour after the protest time limit of the last race of the day, on the day before it will take effect.

### **4. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 4.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the rigging lawn.
- 4.2** **[DP]** Except in an emergency or required by the OA a kiteboard that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions.

### **5. [NP] CODE OF CONDUCT**

- 5.1** Competitors and support person shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

### **6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE AND AFLOAT**

- 6.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the beach at the racing venue.
- 6.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than **20 minutes**' in the race signal AP.
- 6.3** **[NP]** When flag D is displayed ashore, kiteboards shall not leave the beach. No warning signal will be made until at least 20 minutes after removal.

## 7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 The schedule of events are as follows:

Date and Day	Time	Event
Friday 4th March 2022	1400 1500	Briefing for the Practice Race First Warning Signal for 3 x practice races
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	1000-1200 1200 1300**	Registration and Measurement Briefing First warning signal
Sunday 6th March 2022	1200 1300**	Briefing First warning signal
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	1000 1100** 1530 ASAP after racing	Briefing First warning signal No warning signal after Presentations

7.2 **[NP]** \*\*On all the Race days the briefing and start time is subject to the weather forecast. Start times may be brought forward, Competitors will be notified in accordance with SI 2 and through the competitor group chat.

7.3 There will be a maximum of 6 races per day and a maximum of 18 races over the entire series.

7.4 **[NP]** It is intended that each race day there shall be 2 sets of 3 back-to-back races with a **30-minute AP** between each set (to allow for a planned kite change). This is a guideline only and may not be possible to achieve due to the weather conditions on the given day.

## 8 RACING AREA

Location of the racing area.



## 9 COURSES

9.1 The diagram in Attachment A shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

## 10 MARKS

10.1 The description of marks is detailed in Attachment A.

## 11 **[NP][DP]** AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

11.1 The area 200 meters directly east, north and west of the Cockburn Cement Dredge

11.2 The Cockburn Cement Barge

11.3 Any area within 100 meters of the Cockburn Cement Barge

## 12 THE START & CLASS FLAG

12.1 The class flag shall be the K Flag. 

12.2 Races will be started by using Appendix F3-26 (3-minute start sequence).



- 12.3 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 12.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 12.5 A boat that does not start within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.

## **12 CHANGES OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 There will be no changes to the course after the preparatory signal.

## **13 THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The finish line is described in Attachment A.
- 13.2 **[NP][SP]** Kiteboards that have finished racing shall sail clear of the finish area.

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 Appendix T Arbitration shall apply.
- 14.2 **[DP]** The notation (DP) in a rule in the SI's means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 14.3 **[NP]** Breaches of SI's marked (NP) will not be grounds for a protest by a competitor.
- 14.4 **[SP]** For some breaches of the SI's the Race Committee (RC) may apply a standard penalty (SP) without a hearing. The RC may still protest a competitor when they consider the SP inappropriate. A competitor may request redress if they believe the application of the SP improper. The SP for this Series is 5 points to the competitor's finishing position, in the race closest in time to the incident. The scoring abbreviation for this penalty is (SP). The scores of other competitors shall not be changed; therefore, two competitors may receive the same score. This changes RRS 63.1 & A5.

## **15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

- 15.1 Target times, are as follows:
  - Target Time Mark 1: 10 minutes
  - Finish Time Window: 10 minutes after first finisher.
- 15.2 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 15.3 Kiteboards failing to finish within 10 after the first kiteboard sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35 & A5.

## **16 PROTESTS, HEARING REQUESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last Kiteboard has finished the last race of the session or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.2 Protest forms are available at the official race tent, located at rigging area. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 15 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 in the clubhouse beginning at the time posted
- 16.4 Breaches of SI 1, 5, 7.2, 11, 13.2, 18, 19, 20 will not be grounds for a protest by a competitor. This changes RRS 60.1(a)
- 16.5 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 RRS62.2

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 17.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a kites series score shall be the total of her races scores.
- 17.3 When from 5 to 7 races are completed, a kites series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

- 17.4 When from 8 to 10 races are completed, a kites series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.
- 17.5 When from 11 to 15 races are completed, a kites series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her 3 worst scores.
- 17.6 When more than 15 races are completed, a kites series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her 4 worst scores.

## **18 [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS/BUOYANCY**

- 18.1 Personal flotation device (PFD) and Protective Helmet shall be worn at all times.
- 18.2 **[SP]** Competitors will be provided with a numbered jersey that they must wear over the top of their PFD, so their number can be seen by the race committee, at all times.
- 18.3 It is recommended competitors display their jersey number on their helmet.
- 18.4 Kite line knife is recommended.
- 18.5 All Competitors shall have a fully functional quick release system (Wichard shackles will be accepted).
- 18.6 **[SP]** Competitors shall sign on before leaving the beach.
- 18.7 **[SP]** Competitors shall sign off as soon as practicable when returning to the beach (before the end of the protest time limit).
- 18.8 Requirement that the events State Laws shall be complied with.
- 18.9 A competitor that retires from a race shall notify the race committee, without breaching SI 13.2, soon as possible.
- 18.10 Each skipper is required to ensure that their kite is seaworthy and in a fit condition to participate in racing

## **19 [NP] [SP] SIGN ON / SIGN OFF:**

- 19.1 Competitors will be required to Sign-on before going on the water and Sign-off when coming ashore, using the Sign-on / Sign-off Board next to the beach ramp. Sign-on will be open one hour before the first scheduled warning signal of the session or when AP is removed if displayed ashore.

## **20 [DP] SUPPORT BOATS**

- 20.1 All coach/support boats shall register at the competitor's registration desk Saturday March 5th
- 20.2 Propellor wash creates dangerous conditions for racing kitefoils. Unless directed by the race committee, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all kites have finished or retired or the RC signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 20.3 Coaches/support boats shall make themselves available at all times while afloat to assist the race committee in the case of an emergency or rescue, as directed in person by the relevant race officer or via VHF radio

## **21 PRIZES**

- 21.1 Prizes will be awarded to the following categories:
  - a) Open Men
  - b) Open Women
  - c) Youth Boys and Girls (U19)
  - d) Masters (35 to 44)
  - e) Grand Masters (45+)

## **22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY (refer NOR)**

- 22.1 Competitors participate in the Event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority, its officers, members, servants and agents will not accept any liability or responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation, prior to, during or after the Event or howsoever arising in connection with this event.

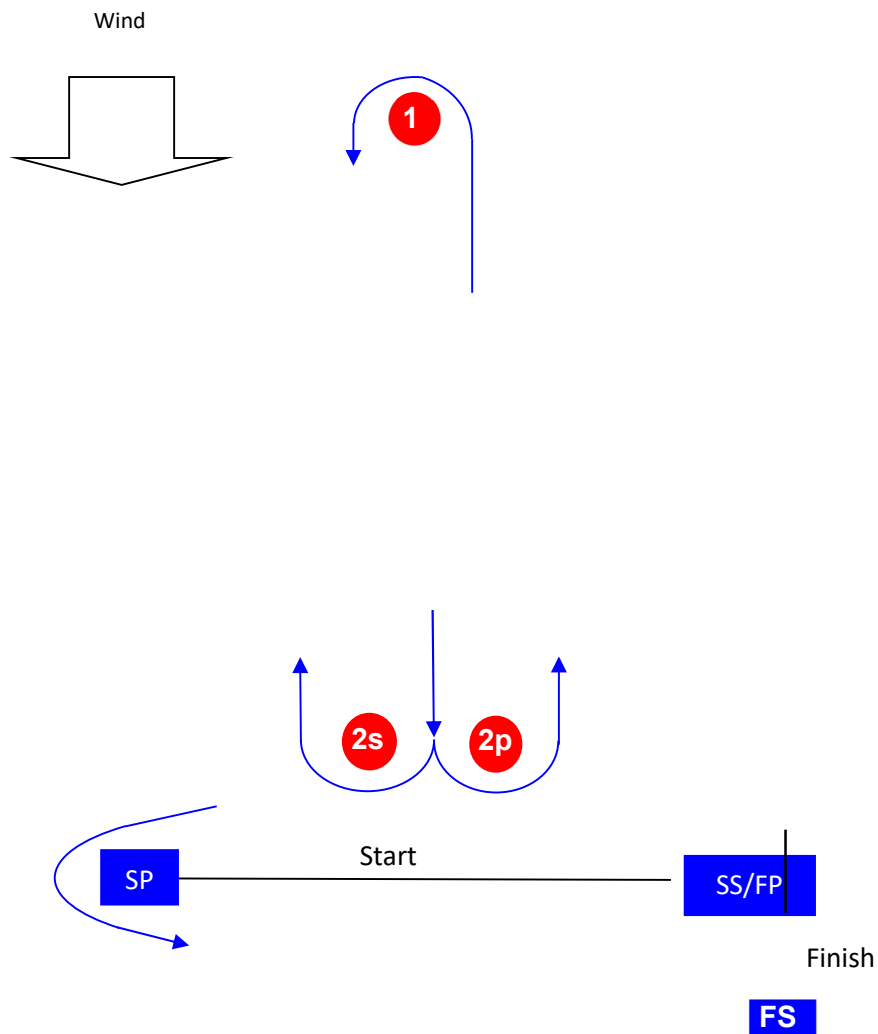
## **23 RISK STATEMENT AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY (refer NOR)**

- 23.1** In addition to the risks outlined in the Notice of race (NOR). RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**
- 23.2** Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. The organising authority, its officers, members, servants, agents and volunteers will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.
- 23.3** The organising authority, at their absolute discretion, always reserve the right to:
- prevent any participant from participating in the Event if, at any time, they reasonably believe that the participant poses a safety risk to themselves or others, or for any other reason, including but not limited to, acting in a manner which is likely to bring the organising authority into disrepute, or is likely to cause harm to participants, the organising authority's officers, members, servants, agents volunteers, or any other third party.
  - change the format of the series for any reason including but not limited to weather, number of entries, time constraints or any unforeseen incidents.
  - cancel the series if the conditions are deemed dangerous or not suitable for the racing to start or continue.

## **24 INSURANCE (refer NOR)**

- 24.1** In addition to the insurances outlined in the Notice of Race (NOR). All competitors **MUST** be paid up members of Kiteboarding Australia, which includes the kiteboarding third party liability insurance.
- 24.2** All competitors **MUST** also be financial members of an Australian Sailing Affiliated club with current silvercard insurance.
- 24.3** All competitors who submit an Entry Form to the organising authority are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Competitors may be required to provide details and evidence that they have such insurance in place at the time of entry.

## SI Attachment A: Windward Leeward Reaching Finish



### Course: Windward/Leeward

Mark Rounding Order

Start - 1 - 2s / 2p - 1 - 2s - SP - Finish

Mark	Description
1	Windward mark <u>Orange inflated Cylinder</u>
2	2s/2p Leeward gate <u>Orange inflated Cylinder</u>
SS	Starting mark starboard end Committee boat displaying orange flag
SP	Starting mark port end Small pin buoy with an orange flag.
FS	Finish mark starboard end Yellow inflatable buoy.
FP	Finish mark port end Committee boat displaying blue flag