



# Humpybong Yacht Club Women and Girls Regatta 2022



## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 19<sup>TH</sup> – 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2022

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### **1 Rules**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Australian Sailing shall apply.
- 1.3 The Class Rules applicable to the class of boat entered ('Class Rules') will apply for all entries of that Class.
- 1.4 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

#### **2 Changes to Sailing Instructions**

- 2.1 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.

#### **3 Communication with Competitors**

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at <https://www.hyc.net.au/events/115993/>
- 3.2 The race office is located upstairs in the Humpybong Yacht Club Clubhouse.
- 3.3 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

#### **4 Code of Conduct**

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

#### **5 Signals Made Ashore**

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the eastern flagpole attached to the front of the clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.
- 5.3 [DP] Flag D with one sound means 'Boats shall not leave the shore until this signal is made. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed.'

## 6 Schedule of Races

6.1

Date	Time	Schedule
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2022</b>	11:00 12:00 – 16:30	Briefing Races 1 - 3
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021</b>	09:00 10:00 – 15:30	Briefing Races 4 - 6

- 6.2 One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to SI 2.1.
- 6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is as noted in the table above.
- 6.4 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.
- 6.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15:30.

## 7 Division Flags

- 7.1 The Division flags will be the corresponding numeral pennant.
- 7.2 The race committee may nominate 2 or more divisions to start together by flying more than one division flag simultaneously during the starting sequence.

## 8 Racing Area

- 8.1 The racing area will be on the waters of Bramble Bay on a course dedicated to only participating yachts.



## 9 Courses

- 9.1 The diagram in SI Addendum A shows 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.
- 9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

## 10 Marks

- 10.1 Marks are large inflatable yellow, orange, or yellow/black check, or small orange or white tear drops as described in Addendum A.

## **11 Obstructions**

- 11.1 The following objects and areas are designated as obstructions:
- 11.1.1 The Woody Point Jetty including an exclusion zone extending 30m around the jetty structure.
- 11.2 Competitors should be aware of the reefs to the east of the Woody Point Jetty. These reefs are dangerous at all tide levels and competitors should avoid this area.

## **12 The Start**

- 12.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the starting signal.
- 12.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 12.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 12.4 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 12.5 A boat that does not start within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## **13 Change of the Next Leg of the Course**

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.

## **14 The Finish**

- 14.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.

## **15 Penalty System**

- 15.1 For all classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **16 Time Limits**

- 16.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
30 minutes	60 minutes	20 minutes

- 16.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 16.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

- 16.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## **17 Hearing Requests**

- 17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 17.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office.
- 17.3 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 Humpybong Yacht Club, beginning at the time posted.

## **18 Scoring**

- 18.1 The scoring system is in accordance with RRS Appendix A standard low point.
- 18.2 Scoring shall be based on the most recently published VYC rating unless a VYC for a boat is not available in which case the Race Committee shall determine an appropriate yardstick.
- 18.3 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.4 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
- (b) When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **19 Safety Regulations**

- 19.1 [DP] For each race session each boat intending to race shall 'sign-on' by signing the race sign-on form located outside the lower clubhouse doors no later than 15 minutes prior to the first warning signal. Failure to comply may result in a boat being scored DNC for the first race of that session without a hearing. This changes Rule 63.1.
- 19.2 [DP] For each race session each boat that has signed on shall 'sign-off' by signing the race sign-on form located outside the lower clubhouse doors no later than 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. Failure to comply may result in a boat being scored DNC for the last race of that session without a hearing. This changes Rule 63.1.
- 19.3 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **20 Replacement of Crew or Equipment**

- 20.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 20.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

## **21 Equipment and Measurement Checks**

- 21.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

21.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

## **22 Official Vessels**

22.1 Official vessels will be identified at the race briefing.

## **23 [DP] Support Teams**

23.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **24 Trash Disposal**

24.1 Trash may be placed aboard official [or support person] vessels.

## **25 Prizes**

25.1 Prizes will be given in each division based on the number of entrants and at the sole discretion of the organising committee.

## **26 Risk Statement**

26.1 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.**

## **27 Insurance**

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

# ADDENDUM A COURSES

Division 1: Start – E – F – G – E – F – G – E – F – G – E – F – G – Finish

Division 2: Start – E – F – G – E – F – G – E – F – G – Finish

Division 3: Start – C – D – G – C – G – C – D – G – C – G – Finish

Division 4: Start – C – D – G – C – G – C – D – G – Finish

Division 5: Start – A – B – G – A – G – A – B – G – Finish

