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31st October to 9th November 2014

Sailing Instructions

Host Venue : Paradise Point Sailing Club Gold Coast

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.4 For Sailboards Appendix B will apply.
- 1.5 For Sailboard and Multihull classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located adjacent to the Western entry doors to the club.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 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 at the official Flag Pole located on the South Eastern most corner of the Club.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 FORMAT OF RACING

- 5.1 The regatta will consist of a single series for each class/division.

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6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 NOR 4.1.X shows the schedule of racing.
- 6.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 Attachment 1 shows the Courses and course area, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.2 Courses shall be designated by the corresponding number pennant before the preparatory signal is given in the start sequence.

8 MARKS

- 8.1 Marks A, B, C, D and E will be yellow tear drop buoys.

9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.
- 9.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 9.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 9.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 9.5 If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26.

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark [when the race committee displays a blue flag or shape. This instruction does not apply when rule 32.2 does].
- 10.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 For the Sailboard and Multihull classes rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 12.1 If no boat has passed the first mark of the course within 1 hour, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

12.2 Boats failing to finish within 25 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.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Protest forms are available at the notice board. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Race Office within the appropriate time limit.
- 13.2 The protest time limit is 90 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.
- 13.3 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 club house. Beginning at the time posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 13.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 13.5 A sailing instruction protest shall be up to the discretion of the race/protest committee (whichever is relevant). At the time of lodging the protest.
- 13.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 15 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 13.7 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 The Low point System of RRS Appendix A will apply. RRS B8 is deleted.
- 14.2 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 14.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1
- (a) Before the commencement of racing that day, the competitor/s shall sign on by writing their name on the Official Sign-On/Off Sheet.
 - (b) After the Final race of the day the competitor/s shall sign off by writing their name on the official Sign-On/Off Sheet.
- 15.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. The boat shall complete a retirement declaration form at the Race Office on return ashore.

16 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 16.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

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- 16.2 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.

17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 17.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

18 OFFICIAL BOATS

- 18.1 Official boats will be marked with a white flag.

19 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 19.1 Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 20.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used by competing vessels during the regatta.

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 21.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

22 PRIZES

- 22.1 Prizes will be given per division, per age group for 1st 2nd and 3rd place only

23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 23.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

24 INSURANCE

- 24.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 5 million dollars per incident or the equivalent.

25 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 25.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.