

BATEMANS BAY SAILING CLUB INC

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

LAKE COILA 2009 SERIES II

11 JANUARY 2009 TO 19 APRIL 2009

1. RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Yachting Australia and its Special Regulations, Part 2 For Off the Beach Boats will apply.
- 1.3. Rules will be changed as indicated in Instructions 4.3, 8.2, 12.1, 13.1, 15 and 17.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 A notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice board situated on the shore in front of the Tuross Sports and Recreation Complex, Colia Lake.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 A change to a sailing instruction will be posted at approximately 1130 hours on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2 A change to the schedule of races will be posted on the Batemans Bay Sailing Club Inc's website <www.bbsc.org.au> on the Friday before the scheduled race that is the subject of the change.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 A signal made ashore will be displayed on the shore in front of the Tuross Sports and Recreation Complex, Colia Lake.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 A race may be abandoned by the display of a flashing blue light displayed on the shore in front of the Tuross Sports and Recreation Complex and may be accompanied by a continuous sequence of sound signals. This changes rule 32.

5. SCHEDULE

5.1 Dates of racing

Races 1 and 2: Sunday, 11.01.09. Races 3 and 4: Sunday 25.01.09.

Race 5: Sunday 08.02.09. Races 6 and 7: Sunday 22.02.09.

Race 8: Sunday 08.03.09. Races 9 and 10: Sunday 22.03.09.

Race 11: Sunday 05.04.09. Races 12 and 13: Sunday 19.04.09.

5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1230 hours.

6. DIVISION FLAGS

6.1 Division flags will be:

Division 1 (Multihulls): Numeral pennant 1.

Division 2 (Dinghies) Numeral pennant 2.

Division 3 (Junior dinghies) Numeral pennant 3.

7. RACING AREAS

7.1 The series will be conducted on Coila Lake from in front of the Tuross Sports and Recreation Complex, Coila Lake. Attachment A shows the location of the series and the racing areas.

8. THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses.

8.2 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes rule 33.

9. MARKS

9.1 A rounding mark will be a pink cylinder.

9.2 The starting marks will be the mid point of the starting boat and a buoy with a staff displaying flag O.

9.3 The finishing mark will be a pole on the shore in front of the Tuross Sports and Recreation Complex and a buoy with a staff displaying flag Q.

10. AREA THAT IS AN OBSTRUCTION

10.1 The area between the West Cardinal mark and the Western shore is an obstruction.

10.2 A boat shall not pass between the West Cardinal mark and the Western shore. A boat failing to observe this instruction shall be disqualified.

11. THE START

11.1 A race shall be started using rule 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between the mid point of the starting boat and a buoy with a staff displaying flag O.

11.3 A boat whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for another race.

12. SHORTENING THE COURSE

12.1 When flag S is displayed at a rounding mark, a boat shall proceed from the mark to the finishing line and finish the race. This changes rule 32.

13. ABANDONING THE RACE

13.1 A race may be abandoned by the display of a flashing blue light displayed on the shore in front of the Tuross Sports and Recreation Complex and may be accompanied by a continuous sequence of sound signals. This changes rule 32.

14. THE FINISH

14.1 The finishing line will be between a pole on the shore in front of the Tuross Sports and Recreation Complex and a buoy with a staff displaying flag Q.

15. TIME LIMITS

15.1 The time limit for each Division will be two hours.

15.2 Where a boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit, the race must be completed by other boats in her Division within:

- (a) the time limit (two hours as per instruction 15.1); or
- (b) forty-five minutes after the first boat in her Division sails the course and finishes,

which ever is the later. This changes rule 35.

15.3 A boat that fails to finish within the time limit or 45 minutes after the first boat in her division sails the course and finishes (which ever is the later) will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A 5.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 It is **recommended** that a person proposing to lodge a protest does so only after enquiries of the proposed other party and potential witnesses to ensure that there is no misunderstanding of the incident upon which the protest might be based.

16.2 A protest form is available from the Race Officer. A protest or request for redress shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit.

16.3 For each Division, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat in the Division has finished the last race of the day.

16.4 As soon as practicable after the protest time limit, the Race Officer will inform competitors of protests in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings may be heard in the approximate order in which they were received commencing as soon as practicable at a time and place determined by the Protest Committee and notified to the parties and witnesses.

16.5 A notices of protest by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

16.6 A decision of the Protest Committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

17. PRE-HEARING MEETING WITH AN EXPERT.

17.1 Where a protest alleging a breach of a rule in Part 2 of the Rules and no other rule has been delivered in accordance with Instruction 16, prior to a Protest Committee hearing the protest one representative from each boat involved in the protest may meet with an expert agreed to by the representatives. No witnesses, other than the representatives, may attend the meeting. This changes rule 63.

- 17.2 If after meeting with an expert under Instruction 16.1, a boat accepts she has broken a rule, she shall be penalised by one place.
- 17.3 A protest that is not resolved by after a meeting with an expert under instruction 16.1 shall be referred to a Protest Committee. The protest Committee may hear evidence from the expert on statements made by the representatives during the course of their meeting with the expert.
- 17.4 The outcome of a meeting with an expert cannot be grounds for redress or be appealed.

18. SCORING

- 18.1 The Bonus Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 18.2 All races that are started and not abandoned constitute the series.
- 18.3 (a) When fewer than 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 10 to 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 10 to 13 have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.

19. HANDICAP SYSTEM

Batemans Bay Sailing Club Inc. Performance Handicapping [PHS] appears on its website.

20. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 20.1 Check-Out and Check-In. Each skipper shall:
- (a) sign the Check-Out List prior to a race; and
- (b) sign the Check-in List after a race.
- 20.2 A boat whose skipper fails to observe Instruction 19.1 will be scored DNS.
- 20.3 If the wind speed is estimated or measured by the Race Officer to be:
- (a) over 25 knots in any gust; or

(b) over 20 knots continuously for a period in excess of thirty seconds,
the Race Officer may abandon the race.

20.4 The fact that a race is not abandoned by the Race Officer does not mean that conditions are safe for all boats – attention is drawn to rule 4.

21. PRIZES

21.1 A prize will be given to the first, second and third boat in each division.

22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

22.1 Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after a race in the series.

23. INSURANCE

23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5 million per event or the equivalent.