

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Australian 29er Class Association in association with Jervoise Bay Sailing Club, supported by the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club and The Cruising Yacht Club Rockingham WA, and under the authority of Yachting Australia



# 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 and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA) shall apply.

# **2** NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the exterior wall of the JBSC clubhouse

# **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than two hours before it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be promulgated by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

# **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag masts situated adjacent to the JBSC beach access ramp in the eastern end of the boat park.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 min' in the race signal AP.

Sunday 28 December 2014	0800-1300 hrs Registration & Measurement
	1300 hrs Competitor Briefing
	1500 hrs Warning Signal Practice Race
Monday 29 December 2014	Racing
Tuesday 30 December 2014	Racing
Wednesday 31 December	Racing
Thursday 1 January 2015	Reserve day
Friday 2 January 2015	Racing
Saturday 3 January 2015	Racing and Presentations

# 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The time of the warning signal for the first race of the next day will be posted by 2000 hours.
- 5.2 A maximum of 4 races each day are scheduled for each class.
- 5.3 A maximum of 16 races will be sailed for each class.
- 5.4 No warning signal shall be made after 1500 on Saturday 3 January 2015.

# 6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class flags shall be as follows:

29er	Orange class insignia on a white background	
49er	Green class insignia on a white background	
49erFX Blue class insignia on a white background		

# 7 RACING AREAS

- 7.1 Racing will be on the waters of Owen Anchorage, to the North West of Woodman Point, Munster WA.
- 7.2 The diagram in Appendix A shows the course areas.

### 8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams in Appendix B shows the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The allocation of fleets to their course area will be posted by 2000 hours
- 8.3 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee will display the appropriate Numeral Pennant indicating the course to be sailed.

#### 9 MARKS

9.1 Marks are described in Appendix B & C.

### **10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

- 10.1 The following areas are designated as obstructions:
  - a. The Cockburn Cement Dredge. Specific details on the dredge operations are detailed in Appendix D

### **11 THE START**

- 11.1 Following a long postponement to alert boats that a race start sequence will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end and a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the port end.
- 11.3 A crowding mark may be laid near the Committee vessel, but not necessarily on the starting line. When laid, this mark shall be considered an extension of the Committee Vessel. Boats shall not pass between this mark and the Committee Vessel.
- 11.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.5 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

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

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

### **13 THE FINISH**

13.1 For all classes the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and a black and white chequered cylindrical buoy at the other end.

# **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

14.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

# **15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

- 15.1 The time limit for all classes is 45 minutes with a target time of 30 minutes.
- 15.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 15 minutes, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 15.4 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes of the first boat sailing the course and finishing will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

# **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Office in the JBSC Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Regatta Office in the JBSC Clubhouse within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes (1 hour) after the last boat has finished the last race of the day for each class or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.3 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 at Fremantle Sailing Club (FSC), beginning at the time posted. Adequate time will be allowed for travel to FSC for the hearing.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5 Breaches of instructions 11.4, 15, 18 21, 22, 24 & 25 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 16.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
  - a. Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - b. No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 16.7 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 rule 62.2.

### **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 The Low Points Scoring System specified in RRS Appendix A will apply as modified below.
- 17.2 Five races are required to be completed to constitute a series for each class.
- 17.3 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding the number of worst scores as per below:

- b. When fewer than 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- c. When from 7 to 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- d. When 13 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

### **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1 Sign On and Sign Off: All boats must "sign on" before leaving the shore and "sign off" as soon as practicable after returning to shore at the completion of the session's racing. Sign On/Off station is located adjacent to the beach access ramp
- 18.2 The Sign On period will close at the scheduled warning signal time of the first race for that session on that day. Competitors who did not sign on for the first race in a session but wish to sign on for subsequent races in that session must sign prior to leaving the beach then inform the Start Boat of their intention to race.
- 18.3 The Sign Off period for each Class will close at the protest cut-off time for each class.
- 18.4 To Sign On and Sign Off each skipper shall indicate their intention to race with the Sign On/Off team at the beach access ramp
- 18.5 Competitors failing to sign on or off in accordance with SI 18.1 may be penalised without a hearing by the addition of five (5) places, but not worse than DNF, to their score in the first race for which they should have signed on or off. This changes rule 63.1
- 18.6 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

### **19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of skippers will not be allowed after close of Registration for the applicable class.
- 19.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

### **20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

# **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 ADVERTISING**

22.1 Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority if requested.

# **23 OFFICIAL BOATS**

23.1 Race committee boats and patrol boats will not be displaying identifying flags.

### **24 SUPPORT BOATS**

24.1 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 boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

# **25 RUBBISH DISPOSAL**

25.1 Boats shall not put rubbish in the water. Rubbish may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

### **26 PRIZES**

- 26.1 For the 29er class:
  - a. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Overall (Open)
  - b. 29er Australian National Championship Perpetual Trophy (Awarded to the first placed Australian entrant)
  - c. 1st Youth Perpetual Trophy, will be awarded for the first skipper and crew whose age is under 19 on 31 December 2015
  - d. 1st Junior Perpetual, Trophy will be awarded to the first skipper and crew whose age is under 17 on 31 December 2015 (Awarded to the first placed Australian entrant)
  - e. 1st All Female Perpetual Trophy, (Awarded to the first placed Australian entrant)
  - f. 1st Female Skipper (Awarded to the first placed Australian entrant)
- 26.2 For the 49erFX class:
  - a. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Overall (Open)
  - b. 49erFX Australian National Championship, Perpetual Trophy (Awarded to the first placed Australian entrant)
- 26.3 For the 49er class:
  - a. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Overall (Open)
  - b. 49er Australian National Championship, Perpetual Trophy (Awarded to the first placed Australian entrant)
- 26.4 Further prizes may be given at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

# **27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

27.1 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.

### **28 MEDIA RIGHTS**

28.1 By participating in these races, competitors automatically grant to the Australian 29er and 49er Class Associations, the Western Australian 29er and 49er Associations, Jervoise Bay Sailing Club and its sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the competitor during the period of the races without compensation.

### **29 INSURANCE**

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

# **30 APPENDIX A – COURSE AREAS**



# **31 APPENDIX B – COURSES**

31.1 29er and 49er Courses

Course	Course Flag	Course To be Sailed	
LR2		Start – 1 – 2P/2S – 1 – 2P - Finish	
LR3		Start – 1 – 2P/2S – 1 – 2P/2S -1 – 2P - Finish	
1			
2S 2P			

- 31.2 Description of Marks for 49er Course
  - a. Mark 1 Orange Inflatable buoy
  - b. Mark 2S & 2P Orange Inflatable buoy

Start

c. New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be the original colour with a black horizontal band.

Finish

d. Finish Pin – Black and White Chequered Cylindrical Buoy

#### 31.3 Description of Marks for 29er Course

- e. Mark 1 Green Inflatable buoy
- f. Mark 2S & 2P Green Inflatable buoy
- g. New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be the original colour with a black horizontal band.
- h. Finish Pin Black and White Chequered Cylindrical Buoy

# **32 APPENDIX D – COCKBURN CEMENT DREDGE OPERATIONS**

- 32.1 The Cockburn Cement dredge Works 24 hours a day, 6 days a week (Doesn't work on Sundays) and takes approximately 2 hours for a round trip from its dredging area to the woodman point jetty
- 32.2 It dredges sand and lime from the shipping channel to the North-west of the course areas and discharges its load at the Woodman point jetty
- 32.3 The dredge/barge is 65m long and draws 4m (fully loaded) and it is NOT very manoeuvrable fully loaded.
- 32.4 Dredge travels at about 8kts (to and from the jetty).
- 32.5 Although it will transit close to the top mark of each course, the course areas have been set to allow ample clearance between the dredge and competitors and spectators
- 32.6 It has a legal right to operate in this area and we must work around the barge.
- 32.7 All vessels must remain at a minimum 50 meters clear of the dredge



