

# **North Queensland Schools Team Sailing Finals – 2015 Townsville**

Saturday 28 March  
Sunday 29 March

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Organising Authority  
Townsville Sailing Club



- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by:

## **RULES**

- 1.1.1 The rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*  
 1.1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA) Part 2  
 1.1.3 The Team Racing Rules (RRS Appendix D)  
 1.2 Races will be umpired as per RRS Appendix D2 with D2.5 replacing D2.2.

## **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at Townsville Sailing Club.

## **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Before any changes to the Sailing Instructions will take effect they will be posted on the Official Notice Board  
 (a) By 1400 on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2014 for races to be conducted on that day; or  
 (b) By 0800 On Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2014 for races on that day;  
 except that any change to the commencement time of the first race of the schedule of races for the relevant day, will be posted by 1200 on Saturday for races that day and by 1800 on the Saturday for races to be conducted on Sunday.
- 3.2 Verbal instructions may be given on the water by the race committee when code flag L is displayed. It will be the responsibility of each team to obtain any verbal instructions given.

## **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag staff at Townsville Sailing Club  
 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30minutes' in the race signal AP (amends race signal AP).

## **5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Date	Time	Event
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2015 Townsville Sailing Club	1100	Rig Pacers & set race course
	1200	Registration and lunch
	1330	Compulsory Competitors Meeting
	1500	First warning signal
	1800	Umpires de-brief with competitors
	1830	Welcome BBQ and drinks at TSC
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2015 Townsville Sailing Club	0700	Breakfast served
	0830	Compulsory Competitors Meeting
	0930	First warning signal
	1230 Following Racing	Umpires de-brief with competitors
	1300	Competitors BBQ and presentations

5.1 No warning signal will be made after 1800 hours on 28<sup>th</sup> March

5.2 No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours on 29<sup>th</sup> March

## 6 FORMAT

- 6.1 Racing shall consist of round robin series.
- 6.2 A round robin between all boats in a group will be sailed as per the draw
- 6.3 The Race Committee reserves the right to alter the format or the draw at any time.

## 7 BOATS

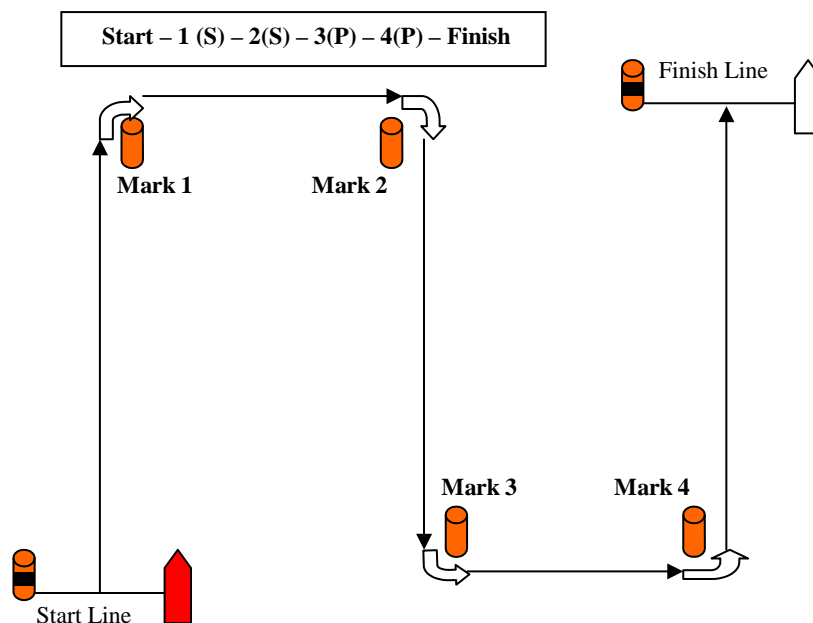
- 7.1 The regatta will be sailed in Pacer dinghies.

## 8 RACING AREA

Races will be conducted on Cleveland bay adjacent to Townsville Sailing Club

### COURSE

- 8.1 The diagrams below show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to left.
- 8.2 The course area is defined as the area where a boat may sail from the time of her warning signal till she has finished.
- 8.3 Courses will be as follows; ('S' Course)



## 9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be described at the briefing.
- 9.2 The starting and finishing marks will be described at the briefing.

## 10 START

- 10.1 Rule 26 will not apply.
- 10.2 Audible signals will govern the Start.

## 10.3 The starting sequence will be:

Signal	Time before starting signal	Sound Signal	Visual Indication Flags
Warning	3 Minutes	1 signal	3 Flags
Preparatory	2 Minutes	1 signal	2 Flags
One Minute	1 Minute	1 signal	1 Flag
Start	0 Seconds	1 signal	All Flags Lowered

10.4 Signals will be timed from the beginning of the sound signal.

10.5 The race committee may sound a series of short sound signals without a flag or hail competitors or use the AP flag to draw attention to its intention to start a race.

10.6 Failure to hear a signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

10.7 Visual indication flags will be raised and lowered from the start boat to indicate the time before the start. Failure or mistiming of an indication flag shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b)

10.8 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

10.9 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races and shall not interfere with any races in progress.

10.10 A boat shall not start more than 2 minutes after her starting signal.

10.11 When at a boat's starting signal any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line, the Race Committee shall promptly display Flag X with one sound and at their discretion hail the bow numbers of premature starters. The flag shall be displayed until all such boats are completely on the pre-start side of the starting line or its extensions, but not later than two minutes after the starting signal. Failure of a hail, or failure of a boat to hear a hailed number, shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 29.1 and 62.1(a).

**11 FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark

**12 TIME LIMIT**

Boats not finishing within 5 minutes of the first boat will be scored DNF without a hearing. Amends RRS 35 and D3.

**13 REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

13.1 Boats intending to protest or seek redress other than under RRS D2.5(a) shall notify the race committee or the umpires of that intent immediately on completion of that race including the type of redress being sought.

13.2 Breaches of SI 11.9, 16, 17 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

**14 SCORING**

RRS D3 (scoring a race) and D4 (scoring a series) shall apply.

**15 SUPPORT BOATS**

No support or coach boats are allowed within 50 metres of the course, unless asked to assist by the race officer. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement will be at the discretion of the Jury and may result in the disqualification of all boats associated with the offending coach boat.

**16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

Competitors shall comply with the following requirements

1. All competitors shall wear helmets;
2. All competitors shall wear a buoyancy vest
3. All competitors shall wear long sleeves and long pants or the equivalent for stinger and sunburn protection.

**17 PRIZES**

A prize will be awarded in this final round, being the NQ Team Sailing Champions perpetual shield. Any composite team of sailors not all from the same school will not be eligible to win this finals round.

**18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

**19 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact:  
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