



**2015 - 2016
Flying Eleven
NSW State Championship**

**7 and 8 November 2015
20 and 21 February 2016**

***Sailing
Instructions***

Organising Authority

The Flying Eleven Sailing Association of NSW
in association with the Host Clubs

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Regatta One: 7th and 8th November 2015
Cronulla Sailing Club

Regatta Two: 20th and 21st February 2016
Avalon Sailing Club

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1. Rules

- 1.1. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions and the Part 2 (Off the Beach Boats) Special Regulations of Yachting Australia, the Flying Eleven Sailing Association of Australia Constitution and Class Restrictions (Class Rules) (for these [click here](#) or go to [F11 Association website](#)), this Notice of Race (NoR), except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions, and the Sailing Instructions will govern the Championship.
- 1.2. The RRS are altered as follows:
 - 1.2.1. Rule 61.1, Protest Requirements, is amended by deleting the sentence at 61.1(a)(2): "If the hull length of the protesting boat is less than 6 metres, she need not display a red flag."
 - 1.2.2. Rule 64.1 (a) is changed in that the Protest Committee may impose penalties other than disqualification.

2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the official notice boards at each Host Club.

3. Changes to the Sailing Instructions

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 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 take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag masts at the respective Host Clubs.
- 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 Championship will be sailed as either:
 - a. a Normal series where all boats will sail in a single fleet in a single series; or
 - b. a Qualifying and Finals series.
- 5.2. For a Qualifying and Finals series the Fleet will sail six races as qualifying races and any remaining races as a Finals series. The Fleet will race the qualifying races divided into two divisions which will change after each racing day. After completion of the qualifying races, the Fleet will be seeded into Gold and Silver Fleets. Seeding for Gold and Silver Fleets will be based on standings after discard at the completion of six races. Any discard shall be a boat's worst excludable score.
- 5.3. **Identification of Qualifying and Finals Series' Divisions:**
 - a. For the qualifying races all crews shall wear a coloured rash-shirt (rashie) corresponding to the colour of each division flag. These rashies will be provided by the Organising Authority.
 - b. For the Finals series the Gold Fleet will wear a coloured rashie. These rashies will be provided by the Organising Authority.

5.4. For the Qualifying Series.

- a. Allocation of boats into Fleets will be changed each day. Initial allocations will be made by random draw. Once racing commences, allocations will be based on the ranking available at 2100 the previous day regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided.
- b. If both fleets have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, the fleets with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all fleets have completed the same number of races. All boats will thereafter race in the new fleets.
- c. The list of competitors in each Fleet will be posted on the Official Notice Board at least two hours prior to the scheduled start time for the first race of each day.

5.5. For the Finals Series.

- a. Competitors will be allocated into Gold and Silver Fleets of approximately equal size as per Instruction 5.2.
- b. If at the end of the Qualifying series one qualifying fleet has more race scores than the other, any extra races will be abandoned so that all boats in the qualifying series have the same number of race scores.

5.6. The Race Committee reserves the right to amend the format at any time.

6. Schedule of Events



- 6.1. Twelve races are scheduled for the Championship, to be conducted over two Regattas. Regatta One is to be hosted by Cronulla Sailing Club (CSC). Regatta Two is to be hosted by Avalon Sailing Club (ASC). Table 1 shows the regatta schedule.
- 6.2. Three races are scheduled for each racing session.
- 6.3. No more than four races shall be conducted on any one day of either Regatta.
- 6.4. No Warning Signal shall be displayed after 1700 hours for Regatta One and 1630 hours for Regatta Two on the last day of each Regatta.

Day / Date	Host Club	Event	Time
Sat 7 Nov 15	CSC	Registration Championship and Regatta 1	0800 to 1000
		Compulsory Competitor Briefing	1000
		Warning Signal Race 1	1055
		Warning Signals for subsequent races will be hoisted ASAP after the completion of the previous race	
Sun 8 Nov 15		First Warning Signal of the racing session	1025
Sat 20 Feb 16	ASC	Registration Regatta 2	0800 to 1000
		Compulsory Competitor Briefing	1000
		First Warning Signal	1055
		Warning Signals for subsequent races will be hoisted ASAP after the completion of the previous race	
Sun 21 Feb 16		First Warning Signal of the racing session	1025
		Championship Presentation	ASAP after racing

Table 1 – Regatta Schedule

7. Division Flags

- 7.1. For a Normal series the Class Flag will be a white flag with a blue Flying Eleven emblem.
- 7.2. For the Qualifying races the Class Flag (as defined in RRS 26) will be a flag the same colour as the fleet rashie colour. The Class Flag will be flown over a white flag with a blue Flying Eleven emblem.

- 7.3. For the finals series:
- The Gold Fleet Class Flag will be a white flag with a blue Flying Eleven emblem.
 - The Silver Fleet Class Flag will be a green flag with a white Flying Eleven emblem.
- 8. Racing Areas**
- 8.1. Regatta 1. The racing area will be the waters of Port Hacking and Bate Bay.
- 8.2. Regatta 2. The racing area will be the waters of Pittwater and Broken Bay.
- 9. Course**
- 9.1. Attachment A shows the course layouts, the order in which the marks are to be rounded and the side on which each mark is to be left. The diagrams are approximate only, are not to scale, and do not override any other Instructions.
- 9.2. The course to be sailed will be indicated by the hoist of a numeral pennant, corresponding to the Course Number, on the Committee Vessel before or with the hoist of the Warning Signal.
- 10. Marks**
- 10.1. Marks will be:
- Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be orange inflatable cylinders.
 - New Mark, as provided in Instruction 13.1, will be an orange inflatable cylinder with a black stripe.
 - The Start Mark will be a boat displaying flag "G" .
 - The Finish Mark will be a danbuoy with a blue flag.
- 10.2. A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in Instruction 13.2.
- 11. Areas that are Obstructions**
- 11.1. While racing, the area between any registered moorings and the adjacent shoreline shall be considered PROHIBITED WATER and therefore an obstruction.
- 12. The Start**
- 12.1. Fleets may be started in any order.
- 12.2. For both qualifying and finals races subsequent starts may be made sequentially.
- 12.3. The starting line will be between a staff displaying flag "G"  on the Start Boat at the starboard end and the staff displaying flag "G" on the Start Mark at the port end.
- 12.4. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 13. Change of the Next Leg of the Course**
- 13.1. 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.
- 13.2. Boats shall pass between the Race Committee boat signalling a change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the Race Committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.
- 14. The Finish**
- The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Finish Boat at the starboard end and the Finish Mark at the port end.
- 15. Time Limits**
- 15.1. The time limit for the first boat to finish will be 80 minutes.
- 15.2. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

16. Protest and Requests for Redress

- 16.1. Rule 61.1(a)(2) is amended by deleting "if the hull length of the protesting boat is less than 6 metres, she need not display a red flag".
- 16.2. Protest forms will be available at the Race Office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.3. The protest time limit is 75 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 16.4. Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 16.5. For the purpose of rule 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the measurer appointed by the organising authority.
- 16.6. Breaches of instructions 19, 20, 23 and 25 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 16.7. The Protest Committee may make any determination in respect of penalties for a breach of a rule other than in Part 2
- 16.8. On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - a. within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - b. no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.This changes rule 66.

17. Arbitration

- 17.1. An arbitration hearing may be conducted for protests lodged in accordance with Rule 61 and Instruction 16, which allege an infringement of a rule of Part 2 or Part 4 or Rule 31. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to the protest hearing.
- 17.2. The arbitrator will decide the time and place of the arbitration hearing and such advice may be given verbally. One representative of each boat shall attend the arbitration hearing. The arbitrator shall decide the manner in which testimony is given.
- 17.3. After taking testimony at the arbitration hearing the arbitrator shall make one of the following conclusions:
 - a. The protest does not comply with Rule 61 and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - b. The matter shall proceed to a protest hearing. This may be because rules other than Part 2 or Part 4 or Rule 31 are involved or may be involved, or because the evidence is too complex or divergent to reach a reasonable and timely conclusion, or due to the apparent severity of the alleged infringement, or for any other reason decided by the arbitrator.
 - c. No rule was broken and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - d. A rule was broken by one or more of the boats involved.
- 17.4. A boat that accepts fault at an arbitration hearing will be penalised by her race score increased by 25% of the difference between the boats finishing position and the score of DSQ rounded up to the nearest whole number. All other boats score will remain the same. Once accepted this decision is not subject to reopening or appeal. This alters Rules 63, 64.1a, 66 and Appendix A.
- 17.5. Should the protest proceed to a protest hearing then the arbitrator may be a member of the Protest Committee. Any evidence given by a arbitrator during a protest hearing shall be given only in the presence of the parties to the hearing,

18. Scoring

18.1. For a Normal series:

18.1.1. Six (6) races are required to constitute a series with the following discard provisions:

Races Completed	Discards
≤ 6	Nil
7 to 10	1
11 or 12	2

18.2. For a Qualifying and Finals series:

18.2.1. Six (6) races are required to constitute a series with the following discard provisions:

Qualifying Series:

Races Completed	Discards
≤ 4	Nil
5 to 6	1

18.2.2. For the Qualifying series boats failing to start, finish or who are penalised shall be scored one more point than the number of boats in the largest Fleet.

Finals Series

Races Completed	Discards
≤ 2	Nil
3 to 6	1

18.2.3. For the Finals series boats failing to start, finish or who are penalised shall be scored one more point than the number of boats in their Fleet.

18.2.4. A competitors' final score will be the addition of the Qualifying and Final series scores with all Gold Fleet competitors scored ahead of Silver Fleet competitors. Discards for each series will be considered independently of the other and will only apply to that series.

19. Safety Regulations

19.1. All helmspersons intending to race are to sign on prior to going afloat, and sign off within 30 minutes of coming ashore, or within the protest time limit, whichever is earlier.

19.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

20. Replacement of Crew or Equipment

20.1. No changes to helmsman will be accepted after close of registration on Saturday 7 November 2015 for entrants in the Championship and also entrants to Regatta 1 only.

20.2. No changes to helmsman will be accepted for entrants to Regatta 2 only after close of registration on Saturday 20 February 2016.

20.3. Changes of forward hand will be permitted at the discretion of the Race Committee on application in writing.

20.4. 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.

20.5. Substitution of damaged equipment may be permitted providing that the relevant form has been filled in at the Race Office, the damaged equipment has been checked by the Championship Measurer appointed in Instruction 16.5 and the substituting equipment has been inspected by the Championship Measurer.

- 20.6. If the substitution was made on the water between races, both the damaged and the substituting pieces of equipment shall be presented to the Championship Measurer after the end of the day's racing. In this case, the substitution is subject to the approval of the Race Committee given retrospectively.

21. Measurement

- 21.1. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure that their boat conforms to Class Rules.
- 21.2. The Organising Authority officials may carry out spot checks against compliance with Class Rules and Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 2.
- 21.3. At Regatta Two of the 2015-2016 NSW Flying Eleven NSW State Championship (Avalon SC) competitors must use sails that were endorsed at either Regatta One of the 2015-2016 NSW Flying Eleven NSW State Championship or at the 2015-2016 Flying Eleven National Championship or those that have not competed at either of these regattas may use sails endorsed by the State Measurer.

22. Radio Communication

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.

23. Rubbish

No rubbish is to be dumped into the water. All rubbish is to be handed to official boats or taken ashore.

24. Official Boats

Official boats will be marked with a white flag with a blue Flying Eleven emblem and a fluorescent orange trailing edge band.

25. Support Boats

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 50 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, unless exception is granted by express authority from the Race Committee.

26. Prizes

- 26.1. As per NoR clause 14.
- 26.2. All Division prizes will be awarded based on the ranking of competitors in the overall results.

27. Insurance

All competing boats shall certify, by entering, that they carry third party liability insurance of an amount of not less than \$10,000,000.

28. Entry Disclaimer

- 28.1. It is the competitor's decision to enter or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry competitors shall indemnify the Organising Authorities, the host Sailing Club, their officers, members, servants and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation.
- 28.2. The Organising Authority, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in an Event or howsoever arising in connection with an Event.
- 28.3. All competitors applying for entry shall have acknowledged and agreed to the Flying Eleven Sailing Association of Australia Inc race document - [Conditions of Entry](#)

[Document](#) - before consideration of the application for entry to this event shall be accepted.

29. Media Rights/Photography Consent

In participating in the Regatta, a competitor grants to the Organising Authorities and the sponsors of the Regatta, the right in perpetuity, to make, reproduce, edit, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/ her taken during the period of the Regatta and to use his /her likeness, voice, name and any other information in any material related to the Regatta without compensation.

Attachments:

A. Courses

Instruction 9 - Courses

Start -

1 - 2 - 3 -

1 - 3 -

1 - 2 - 3 -

Finish

Start -

1 - 2 - 3 -

1 - 3 -

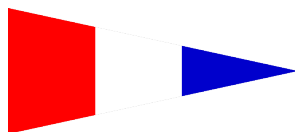
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Finish

The diagram illustrates a sailing race course. At the bottom, a dashed line marks the 'START' line, flanked by two buoys with blue and yellow vertical stripes. At the top, a dashed line marks the 'FINISH' line, with a small orange flag on the left and a larger orange flag on the right. Three yellow cylindrical marks are positioned within the course: 'Mark 1' is at the top, 'Mark 2' is on the right, and 'Mark 3' is at the bottom. A black line forms a loop connecting the three marks. An orange line shows a specific route starting from the start line, passing through Mark 3, Mark 2, and Mark 1, and returning to the start line. A magenta line shows an alternative route starting from the start line, passing through Mark 1, Mark 2, and Mark 3, and returning to the start line. A blue line runs vertically along the left side of the course. A grey arrow on the right points downwards, labeled 'Approx Wind Direction'.

Flying Eleven - **Course 3**

Start -



1 - 2 - 1 -

2 - 1 -

2 - 1 - 2 -

Finish

(Marks 1 and 2 rounded to port)

