

# NSW & ACT 9er ASSOCIATION (RPAYC ROUND) SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)



*The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).*

## **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The Vaikobi Interclub 29er GP Series will be sailed in accordance with the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) and the current International 29er class rules (except as any of these are altered by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions).

## **2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0700 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.
- 2.2 Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by verbal communication to all boats by the race committee or their designates. The L flag

will be flown to indicate to all boats to approach the Committee Vessel.

### **3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted online on the official notice board located at [9ernsw.ourclubadmin.com](http://9ernsw.ourclubadmin.com) or the official Centreboard notice board located at RPAYC at the Jack Gale Centre adjacent to the Centreboard Lawn.
- 3.2 The race office is located on the ground floor of the RPAYC club building.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### **4 CODE OF CONDUCT**

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

### **5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the RPAYC Centreboard flag-mast located adjacent to the Centreboard launching ramp.
- 5.2 When flag AP is flown ashore prior to the scheduled time for the first warning signal, the first warning signal will be made no earlier than 15 minutes after removal of the AP flag (amends RRS Race Signals).

### **6 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

6.1

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
9th April 2022	First Warning	1230
10th April 2022	First Warning	1000

- 6.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 6.3 3 races are scheduled on each day with a maximum of 4 on each day.
- 6.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1400.

### **7 CLASS FLAGS**

- 7.1 The 29er Class flag is Orange 29er class flag

### **8 RACING AREA**

- 8.1 The racing area will be in the vicinity of RPAYC. Do you want to pre determine Course Area 1 = Small Pond and Course Area 2 = Big pond, represented by a Numeral Flag 1 or 2, flow at the CB lawn at a certain time?

### **9 COURSES**

- 9.1 The diagram in SI Addendum A shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

- 9.2 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.
- 9.3 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

## 10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks will be as below:

Mark	Shape and Colour
Mark 1	Conical / Yellow
Mark 2S and 2P	Conical / Yellow
Start Pin	Conical / Pink
Finish Pin	Cylinder / Black and White Check

## 11 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1 The following areas are designated as obstructions and boats shall not race in the noted areas:

After starting, boats shall not sail across the finish line in either direction except when finishing.

The area between the shore and the outermost line of permanent moorings.

## 12 THE START

- 12.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 12.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 12.4 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## 13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Committee Vessel and the finishing mark at the starboard end.

## 14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 For the 29er class, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 14.2 RRS Appendix P applies with the Two-Turns penalty replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 14.3 RRS P2.3 does not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it applies to any penalty after the first one.

## 15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 15.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are

shown in the table below.

<b>Mark 1 Time Limit</b>	<b>Target Time</b>	<b>Race Time Limit</b>	<b>Finishing Window</b>
20 min	30 min	40 min	10 min

- 15.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalised or given redress, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 15.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## **17 HEARING REQUESTS**

- 17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in that class finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 17.2 Hearing request forms are available from the sailing office.
- 17.3 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, located at HHSC Club House, beginning at the time posted.
- 17.4 A list of boats that have been penalised for breaking RRS 42 under Appendix P will be posted.
- 17.5 RRS 62.2(a) and 66.2(a) do not apply.
- 17.6 The right of appeal from a protest committee decision is denied as provided in rule 70.5.

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [Promptly after returning to shore, the boat shall complete a retirement declaration form or sign off, which is available at the HHSC Regatta Office.]

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

- 19.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without the prior written approval of the 9er OA committee.
- 19.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorised in writing by the 9er OA committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

## **20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.
- 20.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a

designated area for inspection.

## **21 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS**

- 21.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **25 TRASH DISPOSAL**

- 25.1 Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

## **26 BERTHING**

- 26.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

## **29 PRIZES**

- 29.1 Round Prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd, 3rd - Special performance prizes may be awarded by OA.

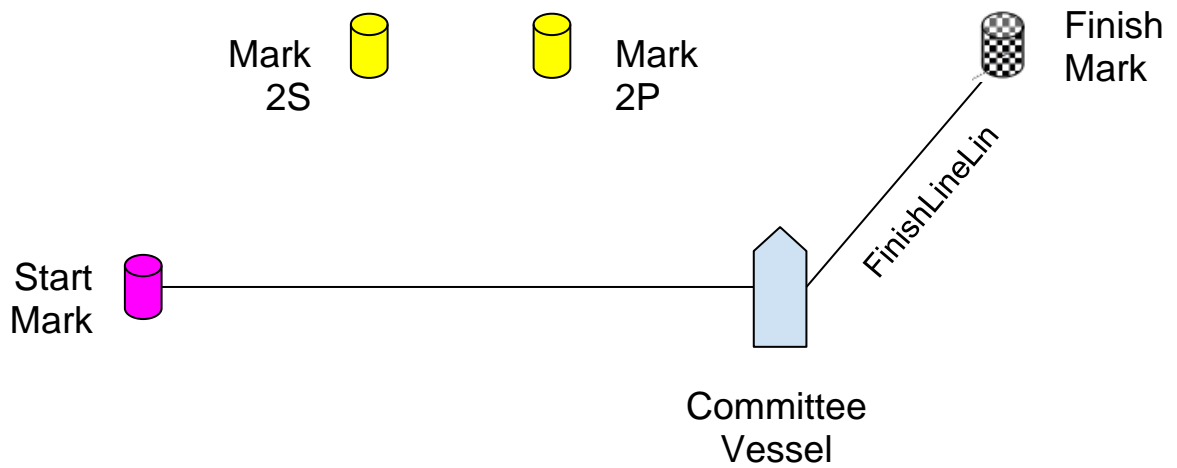
## **30 RISK STATEMENT**

- 30.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

## **31 INSURANCE**

- 31.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 10m public Liability per incident or the equivalent.

**Addendum A - Course**



**Courses:**

Course 1: Start - 1(P) - 2(P) - Finish

Course 2: Start - 1(P) - 2(P)/2(S) - 1(P) - 2(P) - Finish

Course 3: Start - 1(P) - 2(P)/2(S) - 1(P) - 2(P)/2(S) - 1(P) - 2(P) - Finish