



NSW TEAM SAILING
ASSOCIATION

NSW SECONDARY SCHOOLS TEAMS RACING CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Friday 29 April - Sunday 1 May 2022

Host Club

Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron

Organising Authority

Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron
in conjunction with the
NSW Team Sailing Association



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The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS) in conjunction the NSW Team Sailing Association (NSWTSA).

The notation "NP" in a rule of the sailing instructions(SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for infringing that rule.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 – 2024 including Appendix D – Team Racing and Addendum A to Appendix LG (Attachment A), and Australian Sailing's (AS) Special Regulations Part 2 (Off the Beach Boats).
- 1.2. Pacer class rules will not apply.
- 1.3. All races will be umpired in accordance with Appendix D2.
- 1.4. To comply with RRS D2.2 a boat may protest another boat by clearly displaying a red flag on a side-stay, raised at least 50cm above the deck. A red flag at the bottom of the side-stay will be regarded as "inactive". Once a penalty has been taken or the umpire's decision made, the flag shall be returned to its inactive position. This changes RRS D2.2.
- 1.5. From the time of her preparatory signal until she has finished, a boat which capsizes such that the masthead enters the water shall immediately retire from the race.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to these Sailing Instructions will be posted or notified in the changeover muster area and via VHF radio Channel 74 at least 15 minutes before the start of any race affected.
- 2.2. Oral instructions may be given on the water by the Race Committee and/or the Umpires, prior to the warning signal.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Regatta Notice Board located in the Regatta Office of Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS).
- 3.2. Once a racing session has commenced Notices to Competitors may be posted on an information table near the changeover muster area or given verbally on the water in the method described in Instruction 3.
- 3.3. Teams are responsible to present themselves to the changeover muster area in time for their scheduled race.
- 3.4. Team managers, coaches, team members and supporters shall not communicate in any way with competitors from the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the Race Officer signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 3.5. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. All signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag mast located outside the RSYS Sailing Office.
- 4.2. When displayed ashore flag "AP" means races not started are postponed. First Warning Signal for the next race shall be made 20 minutes after the AP is lowered (amends race signal AP).

5. CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

- 5.1. The following table outlines the schedule of events:

Date	Time	Event
Tues 26 April	1800	Virtual Briefing for team coaches, school support staff and volunteers.
Fri 29 April	0745-0820	Competitor Registration
	0820	Competitor Welcome Briefing
	0900	First Scheduled Warning Signal
	From 1600	Competitors' Sausage Sizzle
	Post Racing	Umpire De-Brief and NSWTSA Forum
Sat 30 April	0800	Competitor Daily Briefing via text message to coaches
	0900	First Scheduled Warning Signal
	Post Racing	Umpire De-Brief
Sun 1 May	0800	Competitor Daily Briefing via text message to coaches

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	0900	First Scheduled Warning Signal
	Post Racing	Umpire De-Brief and Presentation

5.2. No warning signal shall be made after 1530 on Sunday 1 May 2022.

6. CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

6.1. The Championship will be sailed in three boat teams. Teams will attend the changeover muster area prior to each of their scheduled races. The changeover boat will take teams out to the changeover area marked by the pink bouy.

6.2. Following a breakdown, races may be completed in two boat versus two boat format until repairs are completed or a substitute boat is provided. Boats selected to race in two boat versus two boat format shall be at the discretion of the race Umpires.

6.3. It is the sole responsibility of each team to report to the Regatta Marshall at the changeover muster area and be available for changeover prior to their scheduled race. Teams not available at the time of changeover shall be scored a loss for that race without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.

6.4. The Championship is to consist of the following stages:

6.4.1. Stage 1 - Qualifying Series (Modified Swiss League)

- Scheduled from Friday 29 April to Sunday 1 May 2022.
- All teams will participate in the Swiss League.
- As many rounds as possible of the Swiss League will be raced. Incomplete rounds will not be scored.
- Teams shall be ranked in the order determined by the Swiss League. This changes RRS D4.

6.4.2. Stage 2 - Final Series (Knock Out Series)

- Scheduled for Sunday 1 May 2022.
- The top eight teams from Stage 1 will participate in this stage.

6.5. The Race Committee may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round or stage, when conditions or the remaining time scheduled do not permit the completion of the event format.

6.6. If insufficient racing is conducted to reach a clear conclusion to the championship a delayed finals day may be scheduled.

7. SUPPLIED BOATS

7.1. Pacer type dinghies will be supplied by the Organising Authority. See SI Attachment A.

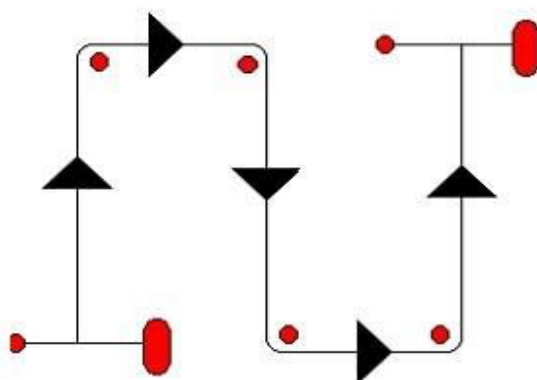
8. VENUE AND RACING AREA (ATTACHMENT B)

8.1. [Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron](#) (RSYS) is located at 33 Peel Street, Kirribilli, NSW, 2061.

8.2. Racing will take place on Sydney Harbour in the vicinity of the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron.

9. COURSE

The course to be sailed will be a starboard hand digital N course, consisting of a windward leg, a leeward leg and a windward finish leg. There will be short reaching legs between each of the windward/leeward legs.



10. MARKS

- 10.1. Marks 1 and 2 will be yellow flag marks.
- 10.2. Marks 3 and 4 will be pink flag marks.
- 10.3. The Start Mark will be an orange flag mark.
- 10.4. The Finish Mark will be a blue flag mark.

11. THE START

- 11.1. The next race to start will be signalled, before or with the Warning Signal, on a board located on the stern of the Committee Boat.
- 11.2. The Starting line will be between an orange flag on the Committee Boat at the starboard end and the port end Start Mark.
- 11.3. Races will be started by using the below starting sequence. This changes RRS 26 and Race Signals.

Signal	Sound	Flag	Time before start
Warning	1 Short	Numeral Pennant 1 or 2 (in succession)	3 minutes
Preparatory	1 Short	Flag P	2 minutes
	1 Long	Flag P removed	1 minute
Start	1 Short	Numeral Pennant 1 or 2 removed	0

** Odd numbered races will use Numerical Pennant 1 for their Warning signal and Even numbered races will use Numerical Pennant 2 for their Warning signal.

- 11.4. Starts may be made sequentially.
- 11.5. A boat starting later than 2 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start. This changes Rules 63.1, A5.1 and A5.2.

12. RECALLS

- 12.1. Recalls shall be signalled in accordance with RRS 29, except that flag X shall be displayed for no more than two minutes.
- 12.2. The Race Officer will attempt to call out the colour and bow number of any boats starting prematurely. Failure to hear the call shall not be grounds for redress.

13. TIME LIMIT AND ABANDONMENT

- 13.1. If no boat has finished within 20 minutes of the start the race will be abandoned.
- 13.2. Boats not finishing within five minutes of the first boat that sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes Rule 35, 63.1 A5.1 & A5.2.
- 13.3. Abandonment may be signalled orally by the Race Committee and/or the Umpires. Abandoned races may be resailed and if so, a new warning signal will be made as soon as practical. This changes Rule 32 and Race Signals.

14. THE FINISH

- 14.1. The finishing line will be between the pole displaying a blue flag on the Finish Boat at the starboard end and the port end finishing mark.
- 14.2. After boats finish their race they are to proceed immediately to the changeover area, which will be marked by a pink bouy.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1. For protests and requests for redress other than protests under a rule listed in Rule D2.2, competitors shall inform an Umpire or the Race Committee prior to rotating boats or going ashore.
- 15.2. Rule D2.4 is amended such that a "Green or Green and White" flag will signal no penalty and a "Black or Black and White" flag will signal that an incident will be reported to the protest committee.
- 15.3. For hearings involving breakdowns, Rule D5 is changed to replace "Race Committee" with "Umpires".

16. SCORING

- 16.1. Appendix D3 [Scoring a Race] will apply to all races and the qualifying series will be scored per the Swiss League.
- 16.2. Placings shall be decided using the accumulated rankings at the end of the last completed full round. In the case of a Swiss League a round is completed when all teams have raced once.
- 16.3. Where a complete round of races cannot be completed no results will be awarded.

- 16.4. Ties shall be broken in accordance with the following (Swiss League tie-break):

Rule D4.4 is deleted and replaced with

"Ties will be broken, in order of precedence, in favour of the team(s) that has:

- 1. if the tie is between two teams only, won the last race between them.
- 2. sailed more races against teams that have a higher place.
- 3. sailed fewer races against teams that have a lower place.
- 4. the lowest sum of the places of the teams the tied teams have beaten.
- 5. the lowest sum of the places of the teams to which the tied teams have lost.
- 6. beaten the highest-placed team the tied teams have individually beaten.
- 7. not been beaten by the lowest-placed team to which the tied teams have individually lost.

Step 1 will be applied whenever a step leaves a tie between two teams. Steps 2 to 7 will be repeated until no more ties can be broken when remaining ties will be broken:

- 8. by the draw for the first round; ties in odd-numbered rounds will use the draw, ties in even-numbered rounds will use the draw inverted."

17. (NP) BREAKDOWNS

- 17.1. As per Appendix D5 except that in D5.2 "red flag" is replaced by "green flag". This changes RRS D5.2.
- 17.2. In the event of a breakdown races for that flight may continue as described in Instruction 6.2.

18. (NP) SUPPORT BOATS

- 18.1. Team leaders, coaches, other support personnel are not permitted on the water during the championship.
- 18.2. Spectator craft shall stay at least 50 metres outside the set course area from the time of the first warning signal of the day until the conclusion of racing for the day, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

19. RUBBISH

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

20. PRIZES

- 20.1. The NSWSTRC perpetual trophy will be awarded to the first placed NSW secondary school team.
- 20.2. Prizes will be awarded to the members of the winning team.
- 20.3. Other prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

21. RESPONSIBILITIES

The attention of all competitors is drawn to the responsibilities as detailed in the Notice of Race clauses 15 - Risk Warning and 16 - Liability Disclaimer.

22. OTHER INSTRUCTIONS

22.1. Roads and Maritime Services Regulations. See Attachment C.

22.1.1. (NP) Boats shall not interfere with the Commercial or Defence shipping of the Port. The attention of competitors is drawn to NSW Roads and Maritime Services (NSW RMS) regulations regarding the right of way of vessels entering or leaving port, ferries displaying orange diamonds and vessels engaged in towing. NSW RMS regulations specify *"Priority over Sail – Some Ferries on Sydney Harbour display an orange diamond shape which grants priority of way over sailing vessels. Sailing vessels must keep a minimum distance from these ferries of:*

- 200 metres from the bow
- 30 metres from sides or stern.

Do not attempt to cross the path of an approaching ferry displaying this signal".

22.1.2. (NP) Boats found to have interfered with commercial shipping may be subject to action by the race committee in accordance with RRS 60.2.

22.1.3. (NP) All boats must abide by traffic directions of NSW RMS Boating Service Officers and the NSW Port Authority. Any boat directed to stop or alter course by NSW RMS Boating Service Officers as a result of an anticipated breach of the above rules, incident/collision or complaint shall do so immediately.

22.1.4. (NP) Any boats reported by NSW RMS as having contravened NSW RMS regulations shall be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1. Any alleged infringement of this clause shall not be grounds for protest by another competitor. This changes RRS 60.1.

ATTACHMENT A - ADDENDUM A to APPENDIX LG OF THE RRS 2021 - 2024

BOATS SUPPLIED BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

A1 BOATS

- A1.1 Boats will be supplied for all competitors, who shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way except that
- (a) a compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
 - (b) wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
 - (c) hulls, centreboards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water;
 - (d) adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
 - (e) all fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided that the class rules are complied with.
- A1.2 All equipment supplied with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.
- A1.3 The penalty for not complying with one of the above instructions is disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.
- A1.4 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the organizing authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, is disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

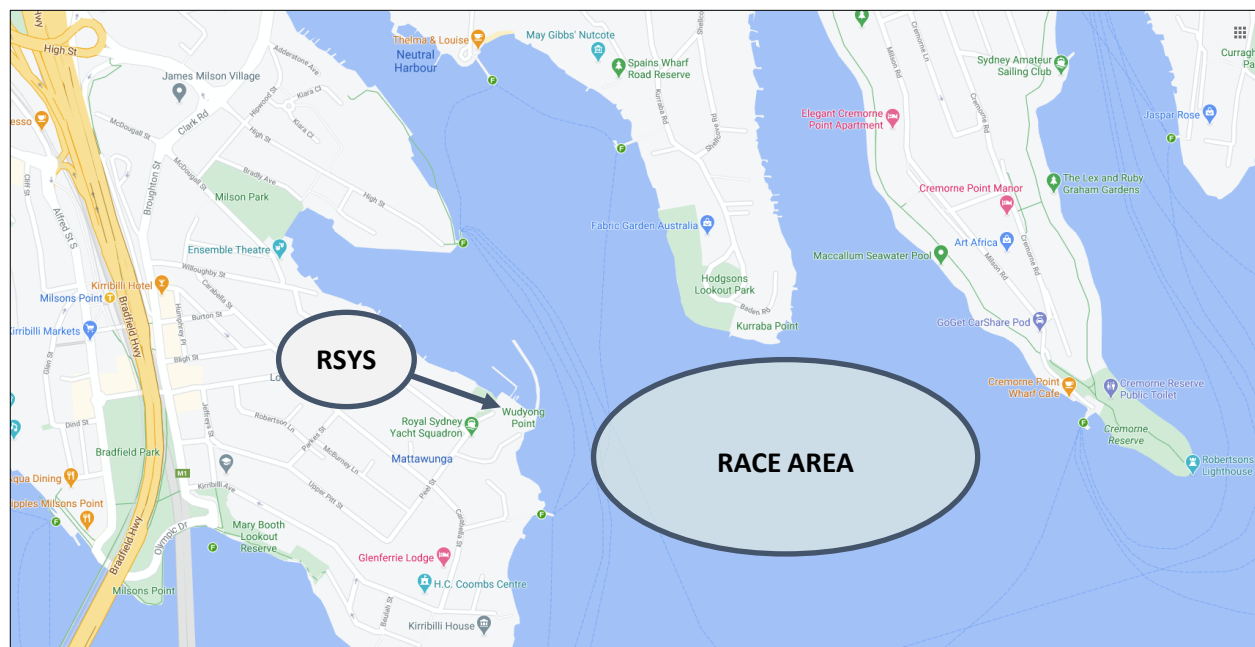
ATTACHMENT B - VENUE AND RACE AREA

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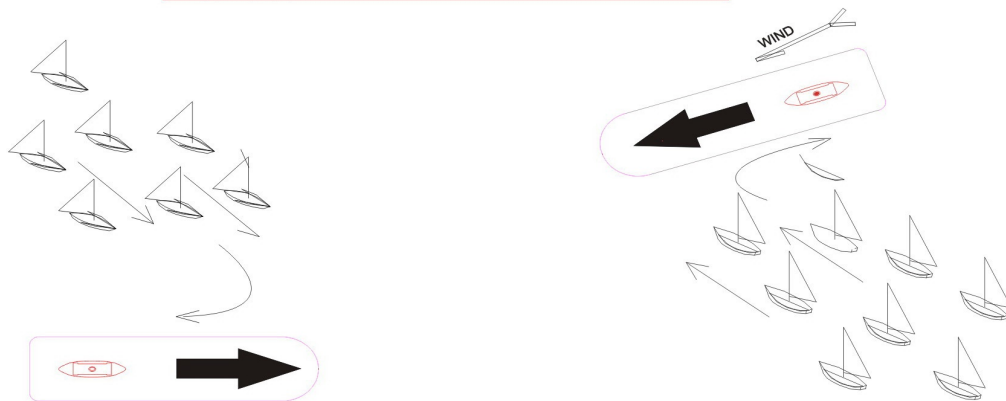
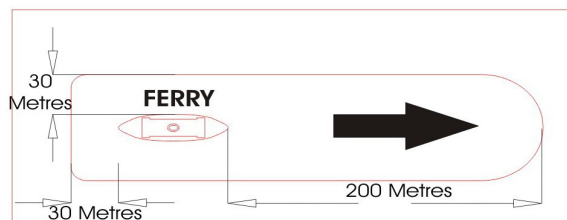
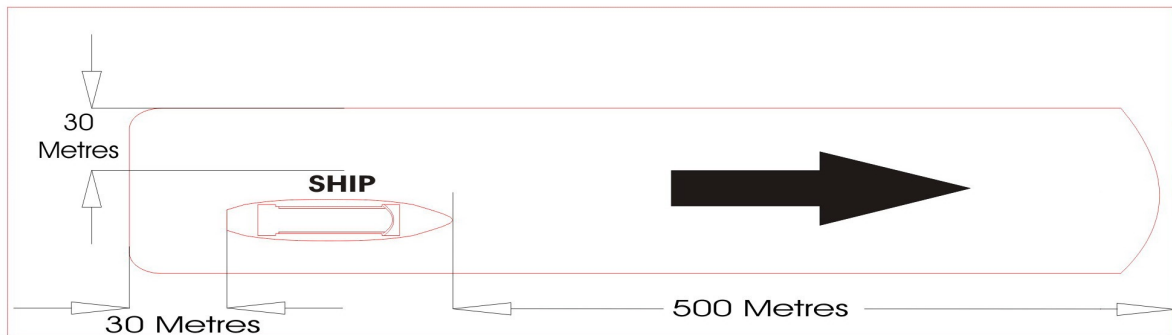
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ATTACHMENT C - SHIP AND FERRY ACTIVATED EXCLUSION ZONES



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