Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club



## WA FOILING WEEK for WingFoiling & WindFoiling Classes

12 & 13 December 2022

# Sailing Instructions (SI)

The Organising Authority (OA) is Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club (RFBYC).

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including AS Special Regulations Pt. 2
- 1.2 Class Association Rules will apply (except where any of these are altered by these Sailing Instructions).
- 1.3 Appendix T arbitration shall apply.
- 1.4 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two-turn penalty is replaced by a one turn penalty.

## 2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the Dinghy and Training Centre (DTC).
- 2.2 [NP] Notices to competitors and changes to the Sailing Instructions may be posted online.

## 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Changes ashore: Any written changes to the Sailing Instructions made ashore will be posted at least40 minutes before the scheduled time for the first race on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2. Changes afloat: Verbal changes to Sailing Instructions may be made afloat. If a race committee vessel is displaying "Code Flag L" competitors should make their way to the start boat to receive verbal instructions.

## 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE & REGATTA OFFICE

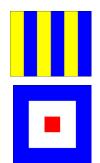
- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Dinghy and Training Centre flag-pole to the West of the Clubhouse.
- 4.2. The regatta office is in the DTC main hall.
- 4.3. When Flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes in race signal 'AP'
- 4.4. When Flag 'D' is displayed ashore with one sound means, "Boats shall not leave the shore and shall wait for further instructions". This adds to race signals.

## 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Date	Time	Event
Monday, 12 Dec	1545	Volunteer Briefing – Main Hall of DTC
	1555	Competitors' Briefing – Lawn area in front of DTC
	1645	1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal
Tuesday, 13 Dec	1545	Volunteer's Briefing – Main Hall of DTC
	1555	Competitor's Briefing – Lawn area in front of DTC
	1645	1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal
	After racing	Presentation function

#### 6. CLASS FLAGS

WingFoiling – Code Flag G



WindFoiling – Code Flag W

#### 7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be Freshwater Bay.

#### 8. THE COURSES

The downwind course which includes multiple gybes with a reaching start is described in Appendix A.

#### 9. MARKS

- 9.1 The course marks will be red inflatable buoys.
- 9.2 The start/finish pin marks will be a black & white chequered buoy.

#### 10. THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a mast with an orange flag on a committee boat at the starboard end and a black & white chequered buoy at the port end.
- 10.2 All races will be started using RRS 26 modified such that the warning signal will be displayed 3 minutes prior to the start and the preparatory signal 2 minutes prior to the start.
- 10.3 A competitor shall not start their heat later than 2 minutes after their start signal.
- 10.4 The interval between the starting signal of one heat and the warning signal of the next will be at the discretion of the race committee.
- 10.5 A competitor whose heat warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all competitors whose warning signal has been made.

#### **11. THE FINISH**

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between a flag mast displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee boat and a black and white chequered buoy.
- 11.2 After finishing, boats shall return to the start area as soon as possible, but must stay clear of competitors still racing.
- 11.4 Failure to arrive at the start race before the next race (after finishing a previous race) shall not be grounds for redress.



## **12. TIME LIMITS**

Boats not finishing within 10 minutes of the first finisher will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A4 and A5.

#### **13.** PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Protests or requests for redress shall be written on forms available from the DTC Office and shall be lodged at the DTC Office by the Protest Time limit in accordance with RRS 61 and SI
- 13.2 The protest time limit is 40 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the session.
- 13.3 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 names as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Protest Room located DTC Clubhouse beginning at the time posted.

#### 14. SCORING

- 14.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.
- 14.2 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.3 When 5 or less races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 14.4 When 6 or 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 14.5 When 8 or 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 14.6 When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.

#### **15. SAFETY**

- 15.1 Sign on/ sign off sheets will be located in the DTC Clubhouse.
- 15.2 All helms shall sign on prior to their first race and sign off within 40 minutes of completing racing or retiring for that session.
- 15.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity and complete the sign off immediately upon returning to shore.
- 15.4 Boats failing to comply with SI 15.2 shall receive a 30% scoring penalty calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3 in the race held closest to the indiscretion without a hearing. The scoring penalty shall not result in a boat's score being greater than for DNF.
- 15.5 Wingfoilers must wear competitor bibs provided by the Organising Authority.
- 15.6 All competitors must wear an impact vest/lifejacket and a helmet whilst afloat.

#### **16. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 16.1 All support vessels shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or an abandonment. This Sailing Instruction does not apply when support boats are requested to assist the Race Committee with safety or other issues.
- 16.2 Coaches and spectator craft shall keep a listening watch on VHF Channel 74 and shall be prepared to act as an official support boat when requested to do so by the Race Committee.

#### 17. PRIZES

Prizes may be awarded for:

- Overall place-getters in each Class. Place prizes will be awarded subject to the number of entries and at the discretion of the OA.
- Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.



#### 18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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. 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. MEDIA DISCLAIMER**

Participants at this Event automatically grant to the organising authority and the sponsors of the Event, the right in perpetuity to make 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 them during the period in which they participate, and in all material related to the Event without compensation.

#### **20. INSURANCE**

- 20.1 All competing helmspersons shall have Third Party Liability and Public Liability insurance cover, including racing cover, of not less that AUD\$10,000,000 for any one accident. Whilst completing the Entry Form that helmspersons are deemed to have made a declaration that they have the following such cover, evidence of insurance will be required prior to racing.
  - 1. Provide a Third-Party Liability & Public Liability Certificate of Currency, and
  - 2. Evidence of a membership with an Australian Sailing affiliated yacht club or current Sail Pass holder, this provides for a Personal Accident policy.

Please note, Kiteboarding WA can provide membership at \$95 for winging only. This type of membership will provide the appropriate level of insurance cover required. Please refer to the following link for further information <u>https://kiteboardingwa.org.au/membership/</u>

#### 21. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact: Debbie Blaauw Yachting Operations Manager Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club

🖾 yachtops@rfbyc.asn.au 🌐

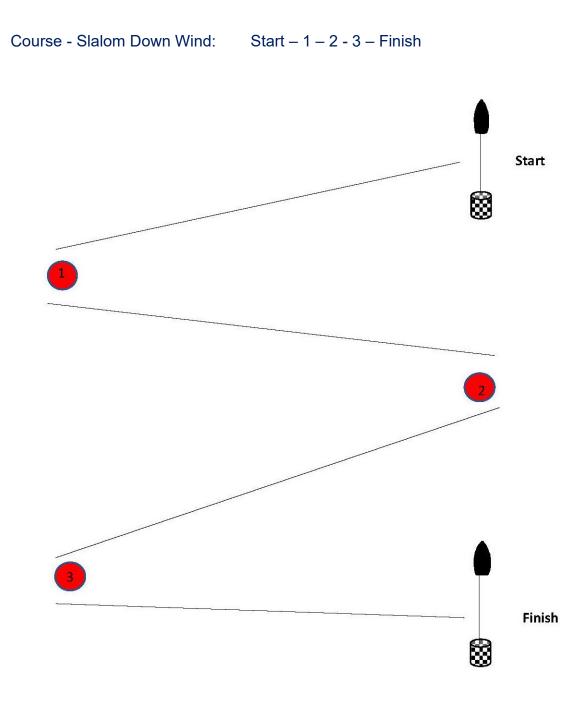
Chelsea Hall Training Centre Principal Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club training@rfbyc.asn.au

Sharon Skinner Sailing Administrator Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club sailadmin@rfbyc.asn.au

Page | 4







Note: Diagram Not to scale

