



Hobsons Bay Yacht Club

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Shirley Freeman Memorial Trophy (Division 1)
(Race 1 of the Port Phillip Women's Championship Series)
&
Suffragette Cup Short Course Non-Spinnaker Race (Division 2)

Sunday 17th December, 2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Amendments

Number	Date	Descriptions Changed	Summary of Amendment

1. Rules

The races will be governed by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing Part 1 Sections 1-6, the handicapping rules for the Performance Based Handicapping System (YV), the International Rating Club (IRC) and the Australian Measurement System (AMS) where applicable, and these Sailing Instructions.

2. Notice to Competitors

Notices to competitors shall be posted on the HBYC Notice Board located adjacent to the change rooms at HBYC. Competitors may be notified by SMS and/or email.

3. Change to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the HBYC notice board, adjacent to the change rooms before 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 will take effect. Competitors may be notified by SMS and/or email.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the HBYC flag pole.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with not less than '45 minutes'.

5. Schedule of Races

Race Name	Date	Division	Warning Signal
Shirley Freeman Memorial Trophy	Sunday 17 th December, 2017	1	1055
Suffragette Cup	Sunday 17 th December, 2017	2	1105

6. Class Flags

Race Name	Division	Class Flag
Shirley Freeman Memorial Trophy	1	E
Suffragette Cup	2	T

7. Racing Area

The racing area shall be the waters of Port Phillip.

8. The Courses

- 8.1. The courses can be found on the HBYC website under Racing - General Information – Club Courses Release 1.
- 8.2. The courses chosen will be from club courses 1 – 12 and shall be announced on VHF Ch.73 at 1030hrs.

9. Marks

- 9.1. Descriptions of the marks can be found on the HBYC website under Racing – General Information – Mark Locations for Club Courses.
- 9.2. The starting and finishing marks will be orange cylindrical buoys.

10. The Start

- 10.1. Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2. The starting line shall be an imaginary line between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel and an orange cylindrical mark.
- 10.3. A crowding buoy may be laid in the vicinity of the committee vessel.
 - 10.3.1. The crowding buoy shall be classed as a “starting mark” in accordance with RRS 31.
 - 10.3.2. Any boat passing between the crowding buoy from the pre-start side of the line to the on-course side of the line, shall return to the pre-start side of the line by sailing around the committee vessel on the on-course side.
 - 10.3.3. Any boat passing between the crowding buoy and the committee vessel from the on-course side of the line to the pre-start side of the line shall be disqualified.
- 10.4. A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rule A4 and A5.

11. The Finish

The finishing line shall be an imaginary line between the staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel and an orange cylindrical buoy.

12. Time Limit

The time limit shall be four hours.

13. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 13.1. Protest forms are available from the HBYC website under Sailing – General Information. Protests and Requests for Redress shall be delivered to the HBYC Office by 1200hrs on the next working day after the race. Forms may be submitted in person or via email to racing@hbyc.org.au
- 13.2. Protests and Requests for Redress will be heard at HBYC at 7pm on the Thursday following the race.

14. Safety Regulations

- 14.1. The race will not be started if there is a current GALE warning issued by the Bureau of Meteorology for the waters of Port Phillip.
- 14.2. Racing will be abandoned if the Bureau of Meteorology issues a GALE warning during the race for the waters of Port Phillip.
- 14.3. A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible on VHF Ch.73
- 14.4. Any boat found to have interfered with commercial shipping shall be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 14.5. A boat may use its engine to avoid commercial shipping, but shall lodge details to the race committee at the finish line within 1 hour of finishing the race. A boat using its engine shall not benefit from the use of its engine. Any boat using its engine shall bring the boat to a complete stop before continuing the race. The race committee, at its discretion may allow such use with or without further a further penalty. This modifies RRS 42.

15. Radio Communication

- 15.1. 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.
- 15.2. The race committee may communicate with competitors on VHF Ch. 73.

16. Prizes

- 16.1. The Shirley Freeman Memorial Trophy shall be awarded to 1st place on PHS in division 1.
- 16.2. The HBYC Lady Skippers' Trophy shall be awarded to the first placed HBYC boat in division 1.
- 16.3. The Suffragette Cup shall be awarded to 1st place on PHS in division 2.
- 16.4. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

17. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the event 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 event.

18. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 million per incident or the equivalent.

19. Further Information

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