ACT Dinghy Championships

14TH & 15TH NOVEMBER 2015

Organising Authority
CANBERRA YACHT CLUB

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES
1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing except for changes indicated in relevant paragraphs in these Instructions.
1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations (Part 2) of Yachting Australia Inc will apply.
1.3 The rules of the competing classes will apply.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the race office in the Sailor's Cabin of the Canberra Yacht Club.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE
4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at Canberra Yacht Club Race Control Tower.
4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 30 minutes’ in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES
5.1 For all Divisions the race schedule is as follows:

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<th>Date</th>
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<td>Saturday 14th November 2015</td>
<td>1330 hrs</td>
<td>Championship Racing Session</td>
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Up to three races may be sailed in each Championship Racing Session, sailed back-to-back, with a short delay between them.

5.2 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least 1 minute before a warning signal is displayed.
5.3 The Display of code flag R at the finish of any race shall indicate that further racing is planned in the session, and that the next race is planned to start as soon as practicable after the last boat finishes in the present race.
5.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1600 hrs.
6 CLASS (DIVISION) FLAGS
The Divisions will be:

Division 1  Sharpies
Division 2  Boats with YV yardsticks 108 and below
Division 3  Tasars
Division 4  NS14
Division 5  Boats with YV yardsticks between 108 and 116 and Lasers
Division 6  Boats with YV yardstick of above 116
Division 7  2.4m
Division 8  Hansa Classes 2.3S, 3030S and 303D
Division 9  Toppers
Division 10  Optimist

6.1 Divisions may be combined if there are insufficient entries in any category.

7 THE VENUES
Depending on entries two venues may be used; Div 8, 9, 10 may race on West Basin, and the faster dinghies Div 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 may race on the West Lake of Lake Burley Griffin. The courses will be either trapezoid or triangle and windward return courses.

8.1 The approximate location of the racing area for Divisions will be displayed in the CYC.

9 COURSES
9.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses for Divisions Div 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses for Divisions 8, 9 and 10. A red flag displayed with the course flag from the race committee boat means boats shall leave course marks to port and a green flag means boats shall leave course marks to starboard.

9.2 The course for all International 2.4 races will be Course B (a windward leeward course).

9.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

10 MARKS
10.1 Course Marks 1,2 and 3 (Divisions 1-2-3-4)  Yellow numbered cylindrical buoys.
10.2 Course Marks 1,2 and 3 (Divisions 5-6-7)  Green numbered cylindrical buoys.
10.3 Course Marks 1,2,3 and 4 (Divisions 8-9-10)  Pink numbered cylindrical buoys.
10.4 The starting marks for Div 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 will be the race committee boat at the starboard end and an orange buoy at the port end. Divisions 8 –9- 10 will be the race committee boat ‘Weston’ at the starboard end and a Yellow Buoy with orange flag at the port end

10.5 The finishing marks for Divisions 1 - 7 will be a race committee CYC Race Tower or Trailerable Yacht at the starboard end and a Black and White Chequered buoy at the port end. Divisions 8 – 9- 10 will be the race committee boat at the starboard ‘Weston’ end and an orange buoy at the port end.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started using rule 26 with the warning signal given 3 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.

11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

11.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4.

12 THE FINISH

12.1 Division’s 1-2-3-4-5-6-7
The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the the CYC Race Tower or Trailerable Yacht at the starboard end and the port-end finishing mark; except in the case of a shortened course finish at a mark.

Divisions 8-9-10
The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat at the starboard end and the port-end orange round finishing mark; except in the case of a shortened course finish at a mark.
13 **TIME LIMITS**
13.1 For all Divisions the Time Limit for the first boat will be 50 minutes for each race.
13.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the time of the first boat in the Division sails the course and finishes or whose finishing time exceeds 60 minutes, whichever is later, shall be scored DNF (Did not finish). This changes RRS 35 and A4.

14 **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**
14.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
14.2 For each Division, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. This changes RRS 61.3.
14.3 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. Hearings will be held in the jury room, located at the Canberra Yacht Club Race Control Tower beginning at as soon as possible after the posting of the first notice.
14.4 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 RRS 66.

15 **SCORING**
15.1 Yachting Victoria yardsticks will be applied in all races to provide corrected elapsed times.
15.2 Six races are scheduled, of which two are required to be completed to constitute a series.
15.3 Additional races may be conducted for all Divisions at the discretion of the race committee.
15.4 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. This alters RRS Appendix A2
15.5 When five races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This alters RRS Appendix A2

16 **SAFETY REGULATIONS**
16.1 The skipper of each competing boat shall Sign On in the Canberra Yacht Club Sailors’ Cabin at least 30 minutes before the scheduled first warning signal each day of the Regatta, indicating the intention for the boat to compete that day.
16.2 A boat that signs on but does not start, or retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
16.3 The skipper of each competing boat shall Sign Off in the Canberra Yacht Club Sailors’ Cabin within 30 minutes after they have finished the last race each day of the Regatta.

17 **RADIO COMMUNICATION**
17.1 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.

18 **PRIZES**
18.1 Prizes will be given at the discretion of the Race Committee.

19 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
19.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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.

20 **INSURANCE**
20.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of $5,000,000 per event or the equivalent. The policy is to be presented at the initial regatta sign-on.
ATTACHMENT A

ACT DINGHY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015
COURSE DIAGRAMS FOR DIVISIONS 1 TO 7

Course A
Div 1, 2, 3 and 4
Start 1-2-3-1-3-1-3-1-2 Finish
Div 5 and 6
Start 1-2-3-1-3-1-2 Finish
Div 7
Start 1-3-1-Finish

Course B
Div 1, 2, 3 and 4
Start 1-2-1-2-1-2-1-2-1 Finish
Div 5 and 6
Start 1-2-1-2-1- Finish
Div 7
Start 1-2-1-Finish
ATTACHMENT B

ACT DINGHY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015
COURSE DIAGRAMS for Divisions 8 to 10

Course A – Port Course Illustrated

Course B – Port Course Illustrated

Course C – Port Course Illustrated