SHORT COURSE SERIES 2017-2018
24 September 2017 to 11 February 2018
Sailing Instructions

RULES
1. As notified in the CYC POINTSCORE and CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES 2017-2018 Sailing Instructions.

NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
2. Notices to competitors will be posted in the Sailors Cabin at Canberra Yacht Club (CYC).

CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
3. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1200 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

SIGNALS MADE ASHORE
4. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the CYC Race Control Tower. When flag Y is displayed ashore, RRS 40.1 applies at all times when afloat (all must wear PFDs). This changes the Part 4 preamble to RRS.

SCHEDULE OF RACES
5.1 The schedule of races is contained in the CYC Sailing Program 2017-2018. The warning signal for the first Division shall be 1400 hours. Divisions 1 to 9 are to race two races on each scheduled day. The Race Officer may combine the starts of two or more Divisions.
5.2 The start of the second race each day for Divisions will follow closely after the conclusion of the first race and may not be in Division sequence.

DIVISION FLAGS
6. Division 1 International Flying Fifteens Numeral pennant 1
Division 2 Sportsboats Numeral pennant 2
Division 3 Traillable yachts / Traillable multihulls Numeral pennant 3
Division 4 Off the beach multihulls with VYC yardstick 83.5 and below Numeral pennant 4
Division 5 Off the beach multihulls with VYC yardstick above 84 Numeral pennant 5
Division 6 Lasers (all variants) Numeral pennant 6
Division 7 Dinghies (excluding Lasers, Contenders and Optis)) Numeral pennant 7
Division 8 Contenders Numeral pennant 8
Division 9 Optimist & Sailability dinghies Numeral pennant 9
COURSES
7.1 The diagrams in Illustration A (attached) show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The race committee boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
7.2 Optimists & Sailability dinghies will sail Lap 1 for all courses unless varied by a Notice displayed with Notices to Competitors in the Sailors Cabin no later than 1200 hours on the day.
7.3 For all courses 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.

SHORTENED COURSE
8. Courses may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2(a), or by use of the Shortened Course Mark. The Shortened Course Mark is created by placing a ‘sock’ over an existing mark of the course and a sound signal made. When the leading yacht in each Division rounds the Shortened Course Mark, it shall proceed directly to the finish line (at the race control tower). It shall be rounded on the same hand as the mark it replaces. The remaining competitors in each division shall sail the required course as shortened and then proceed to the finish line.

MARKS
9. Course marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 (Divisions 1-5 and 7-8) Yellow cylindrical buoys with mark numbers displayed.
Course marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 (Division 6 and 9) Green cylindrical buoys with mark numbers displayed.
The Starting / Finishing marks Orange mark / Black and white chequered mark
Shortened Course mark Blue with white band and black ‘S’ displayed.

THE START
10.1 Races will be started using rule 26 with the warning signal given 3 minutes before the starting signal. The starting line will be between the Starting Mark and the flagstaff on the Race Committee boat displaying an orange flag. Boats whose Warning Signal has not been made shall keep clear of both the starting area and all boats that are in their starting sequence. A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.

THE FINISH
11.1 The finishing line will be between the flagstaff of the Race Tower displaying an orange flag and the Finishing Mark, a black and white chequered buoy, or, when a race is shortened in accordance with rule 32.2(a), the finishing line will be between a mark of the course and the flagstaff of the committee boat displaying an ‘S’ flag.
11.2 Boats shall keep clear and not cross the finish line unless they are finishing.

TIME LIMITS
12. The time limit for the first boat in Divisions shall be 50 minutes. Boats not finishing within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, or whose finishing time exceeds 50 minutes, whichever is the later, will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13. Protest forms are available from the Race Office. Protests shall be submitted in accordance with RRS 61.3 with the time limit for competitors being 30 minutes after the finish of the last boat of all Divisions. Protests shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the Race Officer. Protests will be heard (at the CYC and at a time to be advised) on the Tuesday evening following the race day or as soon as possible thereafter and in the order of receipt or in the most logical order determined by the Race Officer.

SCORING

14. As detailed in the NOR.

SAFETY REGULATIONS

15. A boat that has signed on but does not start, or that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

INSURANCE

17. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of $5 million per event or the equivalent.
Illustration A
Course A (triangular – Port course illustrated)

Lap One: 1-2-3         Lap Two: 1-3               Lap Three: 1-2-Finish at Tower

Course B (Trapezoidal – Port course illustrated)

Lap One: 1-2-3-4      Lap Two: 1-4                     Lap Three: 1-2-3-Finish at Tower

Course C (Windward / Leeward – Port course illustrated)

Lap One: 1-2          Lap Two: 1-2                  Lap Three: 1- Finish at