

2014 PORT LINE CUP REGATTA
Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd August 2014
Port Adelaide Sailing Club Inc.
Largs North, South Australia

Organising Authority
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Regatta Organising Committee

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Port Line Cup Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2013 – 2016 Racing Rules of Sailing (Rule), the Yachting Australia (YA) Prescriptions and Special Regulations (SR); the South Australian Harbors and Navigation Regulations 2009; and, the rating and class rules as applicable.
- 1.2 Category 6 Safety Requirements as described in the YA SR Part 1 for Racing Boats shall apply. The Race Committee may undertake random checks of equipment at any time during the regatta.
- 1.3 On boats without lifelines, or boats with lifelines that do not comply to YA SR Part 1 Section 3.12, at all times whilst racing, all crew shall wear a Personal Flotation Device (PFD), as per YA SR Part 1 Section 5. Changes Rule 40. Boats failing to comply will be scored DNC with-out protest. Changes Rule 63.1.
- 1.4 Under the South Australian Harbors and Navigation Regulations 2009, sailing boats do not have right of way over commercial vessels within the Port Limits. Boats must keep well clear of all such vessels. When conditions are such that there is insufficient progress under sail to stay clear, the auxiliary power shall be used. This action shall be free of penalty provided that there is no significant advantage in the race. Notification of the incident shall be reported to the Race Officer as soon as possible after the incident but before the end of the protest time limit or be subject to protest. Rule 42.3(i).
- 1.5 A boat shall not sail across the river if by so doing she would pass less than 500 metres ahead of a commercial vessel under power. Any boat, which is considered to have been in breach of this instruction, is subject to protest and is subject to disqualification from the race.
- 1.6 A boat that goes aground during the race may if necessary use their auxiliary power or raise their keel to get clear. The penalty for use of auxiliary power or raising a boat's keel shall be a One-Turn penalty provided in RRS Rule 44.2, after turning off her engine.
- 1.7 Rule 55 is changed by adding the following sentence to the rule: "However, discarding elastic or wool bands when setting a sail is permitted."
- 1.8 Boats with extendable bowsprits shall have them retracted when not in use.
- 1.9 Boats shall NOT carry anchors protruding beyond the bow whilst Racing, but must be carried on board.
- 1.10 Where there is conflict between the Notice of Race (NoR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs shall take precedence. This changes Rule 63.7.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the clubrooms of the Port Adelaide Sailing Club (PASC).

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no less than 2 hours before the first warning signal 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.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 All Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the Port Adelaide Sailing Club (PASC).
- 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 EVENTS

5.1 The regatta shall consist of the Ice Breaker Series, being a series of 2 short river races on Saturday 2nd August 2014, and the Port Line Cup, being one longer river race on Sunday 3rd August 2014.

5.2 Racing is scheduled as follows:

Ice Breaker Series, Saturday 2nd August 2014

Race 1

| <u>Division</u> | <u>Boat/Class</u> | <u>Division Flag</u> | <u>First Warning Signal</u> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Division 3 & Division 6 | Keelboats Trailerable Yachts | Code flag V Code flag K | 10:55 hours |
| Division 2 | Keelboats | Code flag F | |
| Division 4, & Division 5 | Sportboats Melges 24 Class | Code flag T Code flag G | |
| Division 7 | Int. Etchells Class | Code flag R | |
| Division 1 | Keelboats | Code flag E | |

The Warning Signal for each successive Division shall be as soon as possible after the start of the previous Division.

Race 2

The First Warning Signal for Race 2 shall be made as soon as possible after the finish of Race 1.

Port Line Cup, Sunday 3rd August 2014

Race 3

| <u>Division</u> | <u>Boat/Class</u> | <u>Division Flag</u> | <u>First Warning Signal</u> |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Division 3 & Division 6 | Keelboats Trailerable Yachts | Code flag V Code flag K | 10:55 hours |
| Division 2 | Keelboats | Code flag F | |
| Division 4 & Division 5 | Sportboats Melges 24 Class | Code flag T Code flag G | |
| & Division 7 | Int. Etchells Class | Code flag R | |
| Division 1 | Keelboats | Code flag E | |

The Warning Signal for each successive Division will be as soon as possible after the start of the previous Division.

5.3 The organising authority will allocate all boats to a division.

5.4 The Organising Authority may alter, amalgamate, divide or add any divisions as required.

5.5 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1300 hours.

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Boats shall supply their own division flag. All boats are required to display their Division flag, described in instruction 5.2, from the backstay or leech of the mainsail whilst racing.

7. RACING AREA

Attachment A shows the location of the racing areas.

8. THE COURSE(S)

8.1 The courses are described in Attachment A.

8.2 The course to be sailed will be indicated no later than the warning signal for the first division of each race.

9. MARKS

9.1 Course Marks are described in Attachment A.

9.2 The Start and Finish Marks shall be a Black and White inflatable buoy.

10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Start Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the starting mark on the port end.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes Rule A4.1.
- 10.4 Boats intending to race, arriving from the north side of the Starting Zone, as shown on Attachment B, after the Warning Signal of the first start of each day, shall keep well clear and not proceed to cross the Starting Line/Zone until they have made radio contact with the Race Officer and given permission to cross. Once given permission, boats shall proceed through the Starting Zone to the southern side without delay. Any boat, which is considered to have been in breach of this instruction, is subject to protest and is subject to disqualification from the race.
- 10.5 Except as allowed under SI 10.4, boats shall not enter the Starting Zone until their own Divisions' Warning Signal.

11. THE FINISH

The Finishing Line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Start Boat at the starboard end, and the course side of the Finishing Mark on the port end.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 Rule 44.1 will apply, except that a boat that goes aground during the race may if necessary use their auxiliary power or raise their keel to refloat. The penalty for use of auxiliary power or raising a boat's keel shall be a One-Turn penalty provided in Rule 44.2 after turning off her engine. This changes Rule 42.1.

13. TIME LIMIT

- 13.1 Time limits are as follows for all divisions:

Ice Breaker Series, Saturday 2nd August 2014

Race 1 90 minutes

Race 2 90 minutes

Port Line Cup, Sunday 3rd August 2014

Race 3 5 hours

- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored DNF. This changes Rules 35 and A4.1.

14. PROTESTS

- 14.1 Protest forms shall be available from PASC. Protests shall be lodged at the PASC or forwarded by facsimile (Phone: 8449 1401) within the protest time limit.
- 14.2 The protest time limit is 1 hour after the finishing time of the last boat in the protesting boat's division.
- 14.3 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee under Rule 61.1(b) will be posted to inform boats.
- 14.4 Breaches of instructions 16 and 18 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes Rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 14.5 A request for reopening a hearing shall be made no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision. This changes Rule 66.

15. SCORING

- 15.1 The regatta is handicapped under a performance based handicap system. Handicap results will be calculated using the Top Yacht Scoring system based on handicaps supplied by the Event Handicapper(s). The handicaps may be adjusted any time during the regatta.
- 15.2 AMS boats shall hold a valid AMS certificate.
- 15.3 The decision of the Handicapper(s) on any handicap matter will be final and will not be grounds for requests for redress. This alters RRS Rule 60.1 (b).

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Officer on VHF Ch 77 or as soon as possible.
- 16.2 Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 1.2, Life-Saving Equipment and Personal Floatation Devices.

17. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

- 17.1 A boat shall not use a sail nor have a hull or rig modification, which would vary her performance from the handicap rating or measurement certificate held on current racing records at her home club.
- 17.2 A boat that intends to race with a sail number, which is not the sail number stated on the Entry Form shall notify the Race Officer on VHF Ch 77 at least 30 minutes before the first warning signal of the day she first competes in the regatta or she may be scored DNC.

18. ADVERTISING

- 18.1 Advertising is in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 18.2 Competitors may be required to display advertising of the event sponsors on each side of the forward 25% of the hull and/or display backstay pennants supplied by the sponsors.
- 18.3 The Race Committee may reject the entry at any time of a boat, which, in the Race Committee's opinion, is carrying advertising for a company or product in conflict with the event sponsors.

19. OFFICIAL AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 19.1 The Start Boat shall display the PASC pennant and the Port Line flag.
- 19.2 Support boats will display the PASC pennant or the pennant of their home club.

20. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 20.1 VHF Ch 77 will be the official Race Radio Channel. In accordance with Rule 41, the Race Committee may broadcast the course to be sailed, names/sail numbers of OCS boats, and/or any other information of interest to competitors. Any failure of, or defect in; such a broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This alters Rule 60.1 and 62.
- 20.2 While racing, except in case of emergency, a boat shall neither make a radio transmission nor receive a communication not available to all boats. This requirement also applies to mobile phones.

21. PRIZES

- 21.1 Presentations will be held asap following racing on Sunday 3rd August 2014, in the clubrooms of PASC.
- 21.2 Prizes will include:
 - The "Heritage Family Legacy Trophy" to the first placed boat overall on handicap for the Ice Breaker Series (Races 1 & 2).
 - The "Port Line Cup" to the first placed boat overall on handicap for Race 3.
 - The "Port Lighthouse Trophy" - awarded to the first place PASC boat in the Port Line Cup on handicap.
 - Trophies to the boats with the fastest time in each division.
 - Handicap Trophies for the boats placed first, second and third in each division.
 - AMS Trophies for the boats placed first, second and third on AMS.
 - Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 22.1 **Warning** - Sailing and activities associated with it involve risks of personal injury, loss, damage and even death. The risks include, but are not limited to, the risk of injury from collision, capsizing, falling overboard, being trapped under a sail or boat after capsize and impact with equipment. The risks involved in this activity are increased by, adverse weather conditions, inadequate training, fatigue, inexperience, failure to maintain the boat, failure to supply and use the recommended safety equipment and failure to observe the RRS, YA SR and Prescriptions, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 22.2 PASC relies upon the provisions and limitations of the South Australian Civil Liability Act 1936 and notifies all race participants who engage in recreational activity that they do so at their own risk. See Fundamental Rule 4, Decision to Race, "**The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone**".
- 22.3 Having given this risk warning, PASC will not accept any liability or responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property, which may be sustained by reason of a person's participation or intended participation in the regatta or howsoever arising in connection with the Event. Boats sailing to the start and returning to their home clubs do so at their own risk. Competitors remain solely responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted and for the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment and crew. .
- 22.4 PASC reserves the right to refuse an entry, which it deems to be a safety risk.

23. INSURANCE

- 23.1 It is a condition of entry in the event that each owner/helmsperson shall have currently valid third-party liability insurance of not less than AUD\$10 million for any one incident. The policy should cover all risks that may arise while the competitor is participating in the event, whether ashore or afloat.
- 23.2 Any owner/ helmsperson not holding currently valid third party liability insurance on any day of the regatta shall withdraw their entry.

Attachment A

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Course Layout

(Please note that placement of buoys are approximate)



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COURSES

COURSE 1



(Approx 3.2nm)

Start – 1P – 2P – 1S - Finish

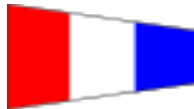
COURSE 2



(Approx 4.5nm)

Start – 1P – 2P – 1S – 4P - Finish

COURSE 3



(Approx 9.5nm)

Start – 1P – 2P – 3aP – 3bP – 2S – 1S - Finish

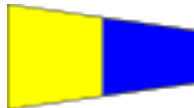
COURSE 4



(Approx 11nm)

Start – 1P – 2P – 3aP – 3bP – 2S – 1S – 4P - Finish

COURSE 5



(Approx 14nm)

Start – 1P – 2P – 3aP – 3bP – 2S – 1S – 4P – 1P – 2P – 1S – Finish

Attachment B

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STARTING ZONE

Please familiarise yourself with Sailing Instructions 10.4 and 10.5

