

# Pittwater Regatta

## 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023

Organising Authority: Midway Point Yacht Club

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 Races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 including the provision of Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for off the beach boats,

#### 2 ENTRIES

- 2.1 All entries shall be on the official entry form and be lodged with the Organising Authority by 1030 hours on the first day of the event.

#### 3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located downstairs at the Midway Point Yacht Club (MPYC) club house. A briefing will be held at MPYC on the first day of the event at 1100 hours.

#### 4 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board not less than 60 minutes prior to the first race on the day in which it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

#### 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the clubhouse start box.

#### 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Races are scheduled as follows:

##### Saturday 2 December

Race 1                      All Classes              Time of first warning signal    1300 hours

Races 2 to 4              All Classes              As soon as practicable after completion of the preceding race.

##### Sunday 3 December

Race 5                      All Classes              Time of first warning signal    1200 hours

Races 6 to 8              All Classes              As soon as practicable after completion of the preceding race.

- 6.2 In the event 2 or less races are completed on Saturday 2 December the first reschedule race on Sunday 3 December will be commence at 1000 hours and subsequent races will occur as soon as practical after the completion of the preceding race. A break for lunch will be facilitated.

## 7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The class flags for each class will be as follows:

<b>Sabre Class</b>	=	Class Insignia
<b>NS14 Class</b>	=	Class Insignia
<b>B14 Class/49er</b>	=	B14 Insignia

## 8 MARKS

**Starting line** will be between a red bouy and an orange flagpole on the committee boat.

**Finishing mark** will be between a blue buoy and a blue flagpole on the committee boat

**Marks 1, 2 & 3** will be pink inflatable buoys.

**Mark 1A** Orange inflatable buoy **Mark 2A** Yellow inflatable buoy.

## 9 COURSE

A course will be set with a length for completion in a time frame of approximately 20- 30 minutes.  
The courses to be sailed will be as follows:

### Course 1 – B14s

Start – Mark 1A - Mark 3 - Mark 1A – Finish (All marks to port)

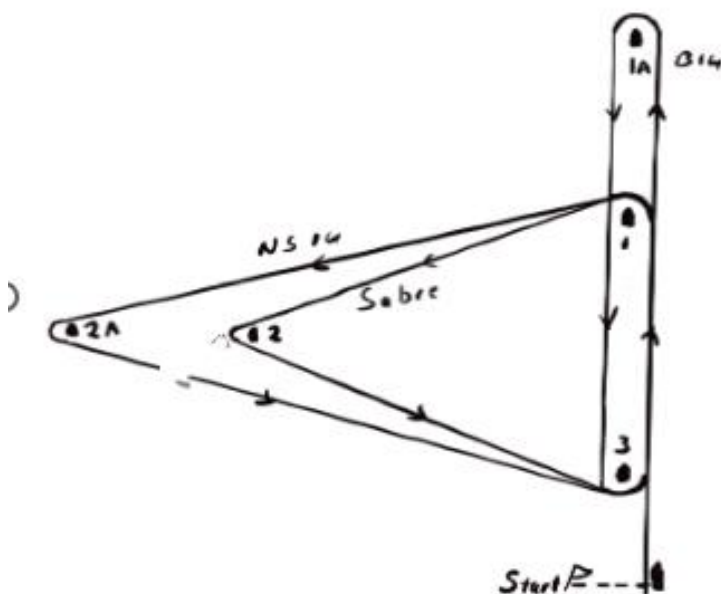
### Course 2 – Sabre Class

Start - Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Mark 3 - Mark 1 – Finish (All marks to port)

### Course 3 –NS14 Class

Start - Mark 1 - Mark 2A - Mark 3 - Mark 1 – Finish (All marks to port)

The following diagrams show the course configuration for each class:



## **10 THE START**

10.1 Races will be started as detailed below: this changes Rule 26.

<b>Signal</b>	<b>Flag</b>	<b>Sound</b>	<b>Minutes before starting signal</b>
<b>Warning</b>	<b>Class Flag;</b>	<b>1 sound</b>	<b>3 min</b>
<b>Preparator</b>	<b>P or Black</b>	<b>1 sound</b>	<b>2 min</b>
<b>One-minute</b>	<b>Preparatory flag removed</b>	<b>1 sound</b>	<b>1 min.</b>
<b>Starting</b>	<b>Class flag removed</b>	<b>1 sound</b>	<b>0</b>

10.2 Boats for whom the warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

10.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat, and the port end starting mark.

10.4 A distance mark will be placed adjacent to the committee boat. For the purposes of rule 31, the distance mark is a starting mark. When starting, competitors shall leave the distance mark to starboard.

10.5 A boat that does not start within 2 minutes of its class starting signal shall be scored DNF.

## **11 THE FINISH**

11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat and the Port end finishing mark.

## **12 SIGN ON, SIGN OFF**

12.1 No competitor shall be on the water without lodging an entry form,

12.2 All competitors to sign-on on official sign-on/off sheet on shore,

12.3 All competitors to sign-off on shore no more than 30 minutes after last boat returns to shore,

12.4 Sign-on and sign-off requirements apply each time boats depart/return to shore.

12.5 Retiring boats to notify a club official as soon as possible once on shore.

## **13 TIME LIMIT**

13.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish in each class shall be 1 hour.

13.2 A boat that does not finish within 15 minutes of the first boat finishing within its class shall be scored DNF.

## **14 PENALTY**

14.1 Penalty turns rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14.2 For B14's, racing rules 44.1 and 44.2 are further changed in that when an incident occurs where a penalty applies while the head of the spinnaker is above the main-boom gooseneck, the penalty may be taken immediately after the next time the head of the spinnaker is lowered below the main-boom gooseneck but shall be taken prior to rounding the next mark or crossing the finishing line.

14.3 Rule 44.3 will not apply.

## **15 PROTESTS**

- 15.1 Protests shall be delivered to the Race Office within Protest Time, which will begin when the last boat in all classes has finished and end one hour later. When races are sailed back-to-back, the times are taken from the last of the back-to-back races.
- 15.2 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt and as soon as possible.
- 15.3 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties, or named as witnesses will take place.

## **16 SCORING**

- 16.1 The Low Point scoring system, Rule A2, will apply as follows:
  - (a) If less than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race score.
  - (b) If from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores excluding its worse score.

## **17 PRIZES**

- 17.1 Prizes will be awarded to First, Second and Third in each class.
- 17.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

## **18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 18.1 All those taking part in races conducted by the MPYC do so at their own risk and responsibility.

## **19 INSURANCE**

- 19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per event or equivalent.