



PACER SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP & GPS CHAMPIONSHIP

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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7. THE COURSES
The diagram in Appendix A shows the course that will be sailed, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which marks are to be left.

8. MARKS
As per attachment 1.

9. THE START
Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.
9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
9.2 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. The changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.
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10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE
10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
10.2 Boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes RRS 28.1.

11. THE FINISH
The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finish boat at the port end and the starboard end finishing mark.

12. TIME LIMIT
Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS
13.1 Protest forms are available at the race office located at the RQYS Sailing office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
13.2 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
13.3 Notices will be posted no later than 10 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held within the RQYS Premises as assigned by the Organizing Authority. Details will be listed on the Official Notice Board.
13.4 Notices or protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
13.5 Breaches of SI 16, 20, 21 and 22 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
13.6 Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decided. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction (excluding SI 16.1) will be DPL.

13.7 A request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
13.8 A request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

14. SCORING
14.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
14.2 Team scoring will be the sum of the scores from the three (3) nominated boats.
14.3 Races are scheduled of which three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
14.4 When 4 races or less are completed a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.
14.5 When 5 to 6 races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst race.
14.6 When 7 or more races are completed, a boat may discard its two worst scores.

15. ON-WATER JUDGING
There may be on water Jury who may penalize competitors for breaches of Rule 42 and Rule 2. In such instances of breach the Judge will blow a whistle and fly a yellow flag and the boat in question shall complete a two-turn penalty. Failure to do will result in a Disqualification not excludable (DNE).

1. RULES
1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing Inc will apply – Part 2.
1.3 The GPS Schools Code of Conduct shall apply to GPS Schools.
1.4 The Pacer Class Rules and Pacer Sailing Rules published by Pacer Australia Inc. Will apply with the following exceptions:

1.4.1 Pacer Class Rule Part 1, Rule B2.1 is deleted.
1.4.2 Pacer Sailing Rules C.3 is modified to accept complete boats supplied by recognized builders of Pacer Class Yachts as meeting the fundamental rules of measurement for the duration of this regatta only, unless substantially modified by the individual.
1.4.3 Pacer Class Rule Part 1, Rule B2.3 is deleted.
1.4.4 Mainsails need not carry the class insignia.
1.4 This regatta is a non-spinmaker event.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
Notices to competitors including results will be posted on the official notice board located outside the RQYS Sailing Office.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0815 hours on the day it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE
4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RQYS Official Flag Pole on the boardwalk adjacent to the Bill Kirby Jetty.
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

DATE	EVENT	TIME/FIRST WARNING SIGNAL
Sunday 18 March	Competitors Briefing in RQYS Auditorium	0830hrs
	Session 1	0925hrs, no warning signal to be made after 1200hrs
	Session 2	ASAP, no warning signal to be made after 1600hrs
	Presentation	ASAP after racing

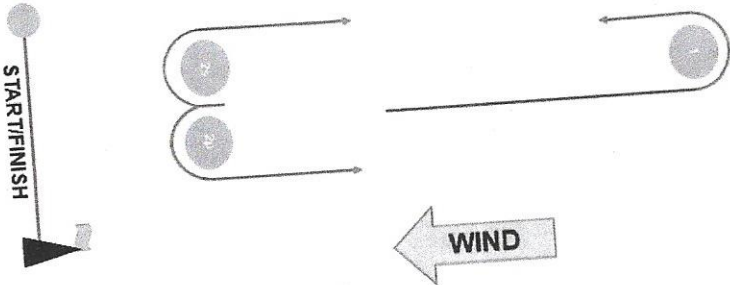
5.1 The intention if that up to 4 races will be conducted in the morning session and up to 3 races in the afternoon session.

6. CLASS FLAG
6.1 The class flag will be the Pacer Class Flag.

By participation in an event, competitors automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at the discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for said event in which the competitor participated and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

APPENDIX A COURSES

CODE	COURSE	MARKS
L1	Start - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - Finish	Start/Finish Pin; Orange Teardrop Mark 1, 2s & 2p;
L2	Start - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - Finish	Orange Inflatable



16. **SAFETY REGULATIONS**
16.1 Sign-On and Sign-Off: All boats shall "sign on" before leaving the shore and "sign off" as soon as practical after returning to shore at the completion of the days racing, but no later than the end of the protest time limit. Forms will be available outside the Sailing Office. Boats failing to comply with this will be scored a non-excludable penalty of 2 places in their first resulted race.
16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
16.3 At all times when afloat, all competitors shall wear personal flotation devices which are in good condition and are in accordance with the specifications issued or approved by a national authority or standards organisation and branded in the country or origin of manufacture. Attention is drawn to RRS 1.2. It is recommended that footwear be worn at all times, but in particular when launching and recovering boats on ramps and beaches.
17. **REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**
17.1 Substitution of skippers will not be allowed.
17.2 Substitution of crew will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
17.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
18. **EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**
A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
19. **OFFICIAL BOATS**
Official boats will be marked with white flags showing the letter RC in black.
20. **SUPPORT BOATS**
20.1 Except when participating in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. The areas the boats are racing in is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 meters of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail.
20.2 The race committee or the protest committee may protest any boat whose support boat is in breach of SI 20.1. Penalties imposed as a result of a protest under this rule will result in a penalty being imposed on the boat(s) supported by the support boat.
20.3 Support boats may be required by the race committee to assist in extreme conditions.
21. **TRASH DISPOSAL**
Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.
22. **RADIO COMMUNICATION**
Except in an emergency, 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.
23. **PRIZES & DIVISIONS**
Prizes will be given as follows:
Individual Sailor: Scratch - 1st
First Team: 1st - GPS Sailing Champions
Second Team: 1st
24. **DISCLAIMER OF ENTRY**
Competitors participate in the regatta 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 regatta.
25. **INSURANCE**
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10m per event or equivalent.
26. **RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**