



SELDÉN FOR SAILING ICE BREAKER SERIES

MAY - AUGUST 2019

The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club

The Organising Authority of the Seldén for Sailing Ice Breaker Series 2019 is The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club, 16 Mitala St, Newport 2106.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Seldén for Sailing Ice Breaker Series (Series) will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing (WS) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Australia Sailing Prescriptions (AS).
- 1.2 The class rules of each class shall apply.
- 1.3 All boats shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 2 Off the Beach Boats with the exception that lifejacket Type 3 are deemed non-compliant for all Series' events. Where the current class rules of competing boats are of a lesser standard than the Special Regulations then the latter will prevail.

2 ALTERATIONS TO RACING RULES

- 2.1 Rule 35 and A4.1 are amended so that all boats not finishing within the time limit shall be scored DNF.
- 2.2 Rule 61.1(a) (2) is amended, for the Optimist class, by deleting "if the hull length of the protesting boat is less than 6 meters, she need not display the red flag".
- 2.3 The Race Committee shall only be represented by the Race Officer or their nominated representative.
- 2.4 The Protest Committee shall only be represented by the Protest Committee Chairman or their nominated representative.
- 2.5 Rule 66 is amended so that on the last race day of the Series, a request to re- open a hearing shall be made within the protest time limit or within 30 minutes of being informed of the decision, whichever is the latest.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices will be posted on the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club (RPAYC) Official Centreboard Notice Board, located on the Northern side of the Jack Gale Centre at Centreboard Lawn.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RPAYC flagstaff, located on the Centreboard Lawn.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore “1 min” is replaced by “not less than 30 minutes” in Race Signal AP.

5 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0830 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.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACING

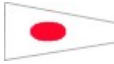






- 6.1 The Series will consist of four rounds as detailed below:

Date		
Sunday 19 May	Briefing – 0830hrs	First Warning Signal – 0930hrs
Sunday 16 June	Briefing – 0830hrs	First Warning Signal – 0930hrs
Sunday 21 July	Briefing – 0830hrs	First Warning Signal – 0930hrs
Sunday 18 August	Briefing – 0830hrs Series Presentation – ASAP after racing	First Warning Signal – 0930hrs

- 6.2 A maximum of three (3) sequential races will be conducted on each day of racing.
- 6.3 A competitor briefing will be held one hour before the first scheduled Warning Signal of each round. The briefing will be conducted on the RPAYC Centreboard Lawn.

7 CLASS FLAGS AND DIVISIONS

- 7.1 Class Flags and Divisions

Division Number	Course Area	Division Class Flag	Division Compositions
Division 1	1	Numeral Pennant 1 	Optimist Green, Optimist Intermediate.
Division 2	1	Numeral Pennant 2 	Optimist Open.
Division 3	1	Numeral Pennant 3 	Laser 4.7, O'pen Bic.
Division 4	1	Numeral Pennant 4 	Laser Radial & Full.
Division 5	1	Numeral Pennant 5 	Monohull Yardstick. (Aero, Tasar, NS14, Finn, Pacer, Contender etc)
Division 6	2	Numeral Pennant 6 	Multihull Yardstick (F18, F16, Hobie 16, Hobie Wave, Nacra 15etc)
Division 7	2	Numeral Pennant 7 	Fast Monohull Yardstick (Moth, Waszp, 29er, 49er etc)

- 7.2 Boats competing in the Green and Intermediate Optimist Division (Division 1) will be provided with one coloured division ribbon prior to the first start which shall be displayed at the uppermost end of the sprit. The colour of the division ribbons shall be:

Intermediate Fleet – Blue Ribbon / **Green Fleet** – Green Ribbon.

- 7.3 *Australian Sailing Yardsticks* will be used in calculating results in the Monohull and Fast Monohull Divisions. Boats with an AS Yardstick of 100 and above are classed in Division 5 - Monohull Yardstick. Boats with an AS Yardstick of 99.9 and below are classed in Division 7 – Fast Monohull Yardstick.

- 7.4 The *Australian Sailing Yardsticks – Catamarans* shall be used in calculating the results of the Multihull Division.
- 7.5 The AS Yardstick numbers for monohull and multihulls are available at:
<https://www.sailingresources.org.au/class-assoc/yardsticks-chb-handicap/>
- 7.6 Boats without an AS Yardstick number will be allocated an estimated trial number. The estimated trial number shall not be subject to protest or constitute grounds for redress. This amends RRS60.1 and 62.
- 7.7 The AS Yardstick number shall not be adjusted during the series.
- 7.8 Where divisions consist of small numbers of boats, starts may be combined at the direction of the Race Officer of the day. This will be advised at the morning briefing.

8 RACING AREAS

- 8.1 The Racing Areas will be on Pittwater in the waters north or south of Scotland Island.
- 8.2 The Race Committee may combine the course areas and fleets depending on entries.
- 8.3 The Race Committee will notify competitors of the specific location of the race courses at the competitor briefing.

9 MARKS

9.1 Area 1

- 9.1.1 The Start Mark will be an inflatable cylindrical pink buoy.
- 9.1.2 The Finish Mark will be an inflatable cylindrical black and white checked buoy.
- 9.1.3 Mark 1P and 4P will be inflatable cylindrical orange buoys.
- 9.1.4 Mark 2P, 3P and 5P will be inflatable cylindrical yellow buoys.

9.2 Area 2

- 9.2.1 The Start/ Finish mark will be an inflatable cylindrical pink buoy.
- 9.2.2 Marks 1P, 2P and 3P will be inflatable cylindrical orange buoys.

10 COURSES

- 10.1 Appendices A and B show the course layout for both areas 1 and 2. Appendix C shows each course number and the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 10.2 A board showing the course number will be displayed by the Race Committee Vessel at or before the Warning Signal. When no course board is shown, boats shall sail Course 1.
- 10.3 Legs of the courses will not be changed after the first Preparatory Signal of the racing session. This amends Rule 33.

11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1 While racing, the area between any registered moorings and the adjacent shoreline shall be considered PROHIBITED WATER, and therefore an obstruction.

12 THE START

- 12.1 The start will be between the course side of the Start Mark at the port end and the flagstaff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end. As detailed in Appendices A and B.
- 12.2 The Starting Order will be at the discretion of the Race Officer. The Warning Signal for the next Division to start may be the Starting Signal for the previous Division.
- 12.3 Boats who's Warning Signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 12.4 A boat starting later than two (2) minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes rule A4. Races will be started using a three minute sequence. This amends RRS 26. Table 3 shows the start sequence and signals. Times will be taken from the visual signals and the absence of a sound signal will be disregarded.

Minutes before Starting Signal	Flag and sound	Meaning
3	Division Flag with 1 sound	Warning Signal
2	P, I, Z, Z with I, or black flag with 1 sound	Preparatory Signal
1	P, I, Z, Z with I, or black flag removed with 1 sound	
0	Division Flag removed with 1 sound	Start

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The finish line for Area 1 will be between the Finish Mark (black & white chequered inflatable cylindrical buoy) at the starboard end and the flagstaff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the port end.

13.2 The finish line for area 2 will be between the start/finish mark (pink inflatable cylindrical buoy) at the port end and the flagstaff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end.

14 TIME LIMIT

14.1 The time limit for the first boat in each Division to complete the course and finish correctly in each fleet will be 60 minutes.

14.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat of the same division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes Rules 35, A4, A5 and A9.

15 ARBITRATION

15.1 Appendix T shall apply amended so that the Arbitrator may be a member of any subsequent Protest Committee.

16 PROTESTS

16.1 Boats protesting incidents in the racing area that they are involved in or see, shall, after finishing report their intention to protest to an official stationed on the starboard side of the Finish Boat.

16.2 Protests shall be written on forms available from the RPAYC Sailing Office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

16.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

16.4 Notices will be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. The Protest Committee will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt and as soon as possible.

16.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).

16.6 For the purpose of Rule 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the measurer appointed by the Organising Authority.

16.7 Breaches of instructions 12.3 (Starting area), 18 (Safety Regulations), 21 (Support Boats), 22 (Rubbish Disposal) and 23 (Radio Communication) 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.

16.8 Rule 66 is amended so that on the last race day of the Series, a request to re- open a hearing shall be made within the protest time limit or within 30 minutes of being informed of the decision, whichever is the latest.

16.9 The Protest Committee may make any determination it decides is equitable for the fleet. This amends Rule 64(1).

17 SCORING

17.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A of the RRS will apply to all classes other than Optimist Green, in which case Instruction 17.6 applies. Rule A9 applies.

- 17.2 Twelve races are scheduled for the Series. Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 When six (6) or less races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.4 When from seven (7) to ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.5 When from eleven (11) to twelve (12) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.
- 17.6 Boats competing in Optimist Green will be awarded 1 point for crossing the start line. Places will not be recorded for Optimist Green.
- 17.7 AS Yardstick Scoring: the boats will be ranked in order of corrected time (CT) after the application of the AS yardstick number to each boat's elapsed time (ET). CT will be calculated as per the formula detailed: <https://www.sailingresources.org.au/class-assoc/yardsticks-chb-handicap/>

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 All helmspersons intending to race shall confirm their boat details and intention to race by signing on ashore for each day of racing prior to the competitors briefing. All helmspersons shall sign off for each day of racing as soon as possible after coming ashore or by the end of Protest Time, whichever is sooner. A helmsperson shall notify the race committee of a change of sail number by correcting the data legibly in the space allocated on the sign on sheet.
- 18.2 A boat that fails to sign on will be scored points equal to that of Did Not Compete (DNC), without a hearing for all races completed on that day. This changes rule 63.1.
- 18.3 A boat that fails to sign off will be scored points equal to that of a Did Not Compete (DNC), without a hearing for all races of that day. This changes rule 63.1.
- 18.4 A boat that fails to display the correct sail number as per their sign on sheet data will be scored points equal to that of Did Not Compete (DNC), without a hearing for all races completed on that day. This changes rule 63.1.
- 18.5 A boat that has not entered in accordance with Notice of Race Clause 3 not be eligible to compete.
- 18.6 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1 For Series entrants no change of helmsman is permitted after 17:00 Wednesday 15 May 2019.
- 19.2 Changes of forward hand will be permitted at the discretion of the Race Committee on written application.
- 19.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee in writing at the first reasonable opportunity and the damaged equipment and its replacement shall be submitted for inspection.
- 19.4 Where equipment is to be replaced between races within a Regatta, requests shall be submitted before the end of protest time for the races in which the replacement equipment was used.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 20.1 As per NoR Clause 6:

21 SUPPORT & COACH BOATS

- 21.1 It is a condition of entry that all competitors consent to there being designated coach boats within the racing area at any time. Inadvertent interference by such vessels may not be grounds for protest. This amends RRS 24.1. Designated coach boats will be nominated by the Race Committee at their sole discretion.
- 21.2 Team leaders, coaches (other than those at Instruction 21.1) and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Preparatory Signal for the first class to start until all

boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

21.3 All coach and support boats shall monitor VHF channel 77 whilst on water.

21.4 All coach and support boats shall render assistance when and as directed by the Race Officer.

21.5 When the Committee Vessel displays code flag 'W' with one warning sound, all support boats must remain on water and provide safety assistance until such time that code flag 'W' is lowered. The Race Officer will endeavour to notify support boats by radio if code flag 'W' is hoisted or lowered.

22 ADVERTISING

22.1 The Organising Authority may require all participating boats to display the event's sponsor's advertising. No stickers other than the provided event sponsor stickers shall be permitted on the reserved section of the boom of any boat.

23 RUBBISH DISPOSAL

23.1 No rubbish is to be dumped into the water. All rubbish is to be handed to official boats or taken ashore and disposed of in the rubbish receptacles provided.

24 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

24.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmission while racing which is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

25 PRIZES AND TROPHIES

25.1 As per NoR Clause 13.

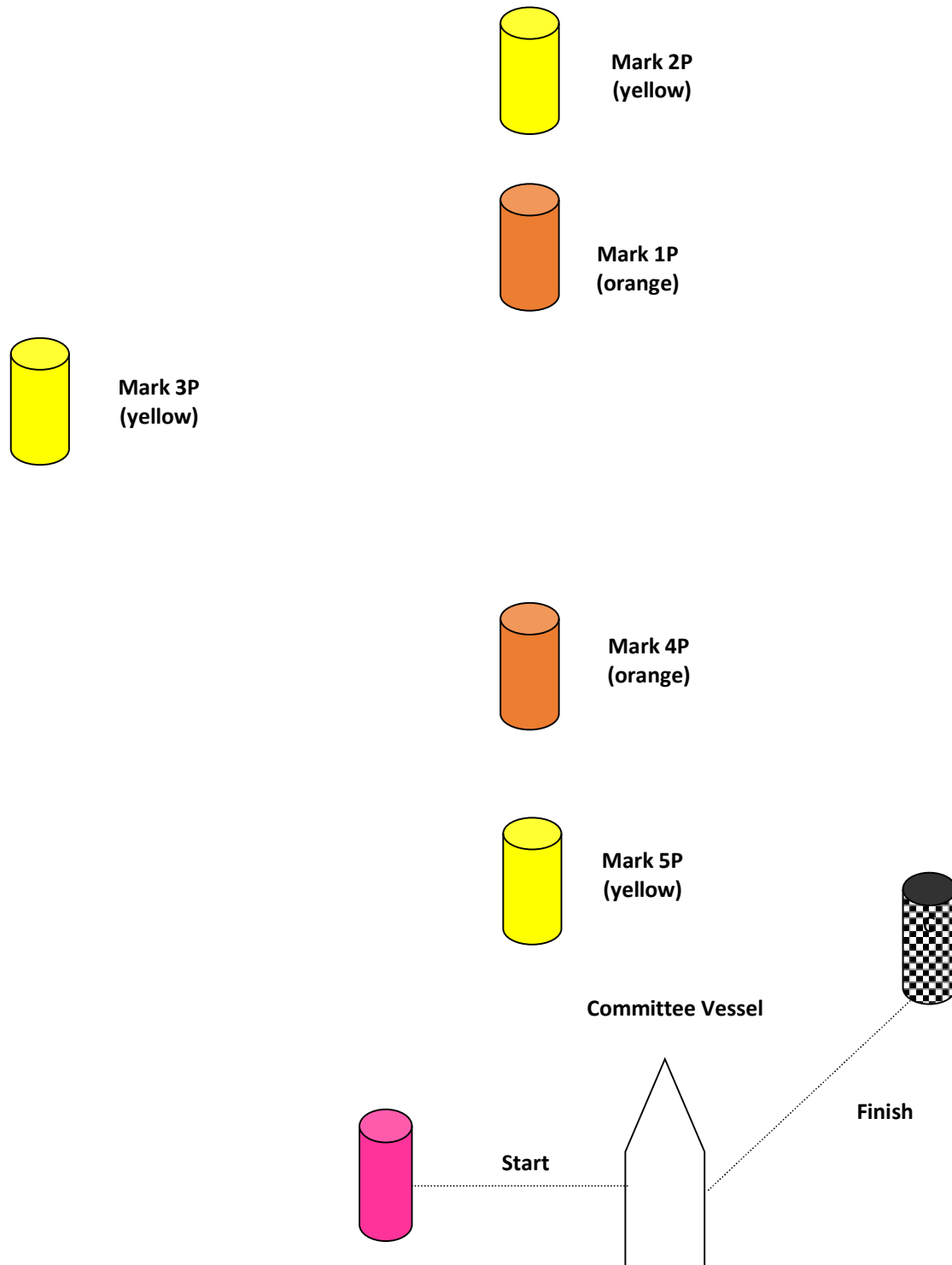
26 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

26.1 Competitors participate in the Series and its component regattas entirely at their own risk. See Rule 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 Series. Attention is drawn to NoR Clause 14 Risk Warning.

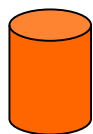
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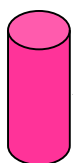
APPENDIX A – AREA 1 MARK POSITIONS



APPENDIX B – AREA 2 MARK POSITIONS



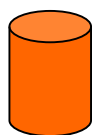
**Mark 1P
(orange)**



Start/ Finish



Committee Vessel



**Mark 2P
(orange)**

APPENDIX C

COURSE LIST AREA 1

WINDWARD/LEEWARD

Course 1: Start – 1(p) – 5(p) – Finish.

Course 2: Start – 1(p) – 4(p) – 1(p) – 5(p) – Finish.

Course 3: Start – 2(p) – 5(p) – Finish.

Course 4: Start – 2(p) – 5(p) – 2(p) – 5(p) – Finish.

TRIANGLE/SAUSAGE

Course 5: Start – 2(p) – 3(p) – 5(p) – Finish.

Course 6: Start – 2(p) – 3(p) – 5(p) – 2 (p) – 5(p) – Finish.

Course 7: Start – 2(p) – 3(p) – 5(p) – 2 (p) – 5(p) – 2(p) – 3(p) – 5(p) – Finish

COURSE LIST AREA 2

WINDWARD/LEEWARD

Course 1: Start – 1(p) – 2(p) – Finish.

Course 2: Start – 1(p) – 2(p) – 1(p) – 2(p) – Finish.

Course 3: Start – 1(p) – 2(p) – 1(p) – 2(p) – 1(p) – 2(p) – Finish.