



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



2011 RONSTAN INDIAN OCEAN DINGHY CLASSIC



Friday 28th to Sunday 30th October 2011



ORGANISING AUTHORITY

FREMANTLE SAILING CLUB (INC.)
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COACH

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- 0.0.** Outside help: RRS 41 (a) is changed to read 'help for a crew member who is ill, injured or in danger;'
- 1. RULES:**
- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2** Silver Fleet Optimists only shall fly coloured streamers, as supplied by the Organising Authority, from the top of the sprit.
- 1.3** Rule 40 is altered to read as follows: While afloat competitors shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) secured in accordance with its instructions and complying with the standard required by Yachting Australia or their Member National Authority (MNA). RRS 40 is changed so that it applies at all times while racing, without the need for display of the Y flag. This alters rule 40 and rule Part 4 preamble.
- 2. RACE COMMITTEE:**
The Race Committee will comprise the Race Officers and Dinghy Captain or nominee.
- 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:**
Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located at the Dinghy Clubhouse.
- 4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**
- 4.1** Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than one hour before the first race it will affect, except that any change to the Schedule of Races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.
- 4.2** Changes to these Sailing Instructions 'made on the water' will be delivered by a Race Committee Boat. Flag 'L' will be displayed while the changes are being given. It shall be the responsibility of each boat to obtain the written or verbal instructions.
- 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:**
- 5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the Dinghy Clubhouse.
Display of Naval Numeral 1 will designate Racing Area 1.
Naval Numeral 2 will designate Racing Area 2.
- 5.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' stated under "Race Signals" is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signals AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES:

6.1 Races are scheduled as follows:

| | | |
|---|---|------------------------------|
| Saturday, 29 th October 2011 | Race 1 Subsequent races to follow | First warning signal 1100 |
| Sunday, 30 th October 2011 | First race of the day Subsequent races to follow | First warning signal 1000 |
| Sunday, 30 th October 2011 | Presentation | 1630 |

6.2 Up to nine races are scheduled for each class.

6.3 Subsequent races will be started as soon as practicable after completion of the previous race.

6.4 The Committee Boat at the starboard end of the Start Line will display an orange flag with one sound signal no less than four minutes before the first warning signal of a race to notify competitors that races will start soon.

7. SIGNING ON/OFF:

7.1 All helmspersons shall sign on, on the sheets provided at the Dinghy Clubhouse, prior to going afloat for racing in any session.

7.2 All helmspersons shall sign off within 45 minutes of completing racing or retiring for that session, or later at the discretion of the Race Committee.

7.3 Boats failing to comply with Clauses 7.1 and 7.2 shall receive a 5 point penalty or DSQ, whichever is the lesser in the race held closest to the indiscretion without a hearing.

8. CLASS FLAGS:

Race Area 1

| Class | Flag |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Optimist Gold Fleet | Blue Insignia on a White Background |
| Optimist Silver Fleet | White Insignia on a Green Background |
| Laser 4.7 | Red Laser on Yellow Background |
| 29er | 29er Class Flag |
| Tasar | Tasar Class Flag |
| Flying Ant | Flying Ant Class Flag |
| Sailboards | Black RSX on White Background |

Race Area 2

| Class | Flag |
|----------------|---|
| Laser Standard | Red Laser on White Background |
| Laser Radial | Red Laser on Green Background |
| 420 | 420 Class Flag |
| 470 | 470 Class Flag |
| Finn | Code Flag F |
| Fireball | Red ball on Blue Background |
| Contender | Contender Class Flag |
| 505/Sharpie | Sharpie Class Flag (Green Roo on Yellow Background) |
| 49er | 49er Class Flag |
| Flying 15 | Flying 15 Class Flag |
| Catamarans | Black Hobie on a Pink Background |

9. RACING AREA:

- 9.1 Race Area 1 will be to the South of Success Harbour.
- 9.2 Race Area 2 will be approximately 0.5nm to the West of Race Area 1.
- 9.3 Optimist Silver Fleet races may be conducted in the harbour at the Race Committee's discretion. To signal this change in course area while afloat the Race Committee Signal boat will display AP over H over the Optimist Silver Fleet Class Flag.

10. THE COURSE:

- 10.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left and the Numeral Pennant indicating the course to be sailed.
- 10.2 No later than the Warning Signal, the Committee Boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 10.3 Two Race Areas will be used. Classes racing on each area are listed in SI 8.

11. MARKS:

- 11.1 The Race Area 1 marks will be pink inflatable buoys.
- 11.2 The Race Area 2 marks will have red inflatable buoys for marks 1 to 4 and yellow inflatable buoy for mark 5.
- 11.3 The starting marks will be a Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end and a committee boat or pin mark at the port end.
- 11.4 For Course 1 as described in Attachment A the finishing marks will be a Committee Signal Boat at the port end and a committee boat or pin mark at the starboard end.
- 11.5 For Course 2 as described in Attachment A the finishing marks will be a Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end and a committee boat or pin mark at the port end.
- 11.6 The new marks as described in SI 13 will be pink inflatable buoys (Race Area 1) and red inflatable buoys (Race Area 2) each with a black band.

12. STARTS:

- 12.1 Races will be started using rule 26.
- 12.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end and a staff displaying an orange flag on the port end starting mark. A buoy may be permanently streamed from the Committee Boat. For the purpose of the application of RRS, the buoy is deemed to be a permanent part of the Committee Boat and any boat touching the buoy or passing between it and the Committee Boat shall be deemed to have touched the Committee Boat.

- 12.3** Boats shall keep clear of the starting area until their Warning Signal has been made.
- 12.4** A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her Starting Signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.
- 12.5** There will not be a fixed starting sequence. Boats shall monitor the class flags displayed in order to determine which class or classes are being started. Once all boats of a class have finished or the time limit for a race has expired, that class may restart at any time.
- 13. CHANGING OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE:**
To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 14. THE FINISH:**
- 14.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Boat at the starboard end and a staff displaying an orange flag on the port-end finishing mark (opposite ends for a downwind finish).
- 14.2** Except when starting, finishing or correcting an error in compliance with rule 28.1, boats shall not sail through the Start or Finish line in either direction while the Committee Boat is displaying an orange or blue flag. Boats failing to comply will be disqualified without a hearing. This changes rule 63.1.
- 14.3** A buoy may be permanently streamed from the Committee Boat. For the purpose of the application of RRS, the buoy is deemed to be a permanent part of the Committee Boat and any boat touching the buoy or passing between it and the Committee Boat shall be deemed to have touched the Committee Boat.
- 15. TIME LIMITS:**
The time limit **per race** will be **one and one half hours**. Boats failing to finish within **15 minutes** after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4. Boats that are still racing at the end of the time limit shall return to the starting area for the next race.
- 16. RETIREMENT:**
Any boat retiring from a race shall notify an official Race Committee Boat prior to returning to shore. Helmspersons shall sign off stating that they have not completed the race.
- 17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:**
- 17.1** Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests shall be delivered there within one hour of the finishing time of the last boat (of that class) in its last race of the day. This changes rule 61.3.
- 17.2** Notices will be posted on the official notice board within 30 minutes of the Protest Time Limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties.
- 17.3** On the last day of racing a request to reopen a hearing shall be delivered:

- a) Within the protest time limit if the party requesting the reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day.
- b) No later than 30 minutes after the party requesting the reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

17.4 Only the race committee may protest a boat for an alleged breach of sailing instructions 16, 20 and 21. This changes rule 60.

17.5 Any boat intending to protest must approach the starboard side of the finishing boat immediately upon finishing, gain the attention of the Race Officer and hail the sail number of the protested yacht. This changes rule 61.1

17.6 Penalties for breaches of RRS 41, the Class Rules, Equipment Inspection Regulations are at the discretion of the Protest Panel.

17.7 Any outside help whilst racing shall be reported to the Protest Panel before the end of protest time on the day concerned on a form available from the Race Office. The form shall be returned to the Race Office reception.

18. MEDIATION:

A mediation hearing may be conducted for all protests lodged in accordance with rule 61 which allege an infringement of a rule of Part 2 or 4. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to the protest hearing.

The time and place of the mediation hearing will be decided by the mediator and such advice may be given verbally. One representative of each boat should attend the mediation hearing and no witnesses shall be allowed. The mediator shall decide the manner in which testimony is given.

After taking testimony at a mediation hearing the mediator shall make one of the following conclusions:

- (a) The protest does not comply with rule 61 and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
- (b) The matter shall proceed to a protest hearing.
- (c) No rule was broken and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
- (d) A rule was broken by one or more of the boats involved, the infringing boat(s) may accept scoring points equal to a finishing place mid-way between the boat's actual finishing place and a disqualification, and if so accepted the protestor shall withdraw the protest. (Half points shall be disregarded and the points of other boats shall not be adjusted.)

A mediation hearing shall not be re-opened.

Should the protest proceed to a protest hearing then the mediator may be a member of the protest committee. Any evidence given by a mediator during a protest hearing shall be given only in the presence of the parties to the hearing.

19. SCORING:

19.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 19.2** When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores
- 19.3** When from 4 to 7 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 19.4** When 8 or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst 2 scores.
- 19.5** **Laser Masters** event consists of the first 3 races Saturday and the first 3 races Sunday(A total of 6 races, with, 5 to count). The Laser Masters event consists of one division only for skippers over 35(Laser Standard and Radial) and need to confirm this at registration. Laser Masters who sail the complete regatta will be included in the results for both the regatta and the Laser Masters . Laser skippers shall be eligible for one prize only.

20. SUPPORT BOATS:

The Coaches may use their skills before, between and after racing to assist sailors at this Regatta. Support boats shall stay a minimum of 100m away from racing boats at all times unless assisting in a rescue.

21. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT:

21.1 Substitution of crew shall be notified when signing on.

21.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Request for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

22. ADVERTISING:

Boats shall display the event sponsor's name(s) and logo(s) on the hull. These items will be supplied at registration by the Organising Authority and shall be affixed in accordance with the instruction template (Attachment B) for photographic and promotional purposes.

23. RADIO COMMUNICATION:

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.

24. PRIZES:

Prizes provided by the event sponsors ROSTAN, Perth 2011, CLUB MARINE and FSC will be awarded for first second and third in each Fleet of six or more boats. Fleets of 4 & 5 boats will be awarded first & second. Fleets of three or less will be awarded a first place.

In addition Improvement and Encouragement awards may be made.

Presentations will be held in the main Fremantle Sailing Club at approx. 1630 on Sunday 30th October 2011.

Prizes will be presented to prize winners or their nominated representative at the Presentation Ceremony only.

25. DISCLAIMER

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority, its associates and appointees will not accept any responsibility for material damage or personal injury or death or inconvenience sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

26. WARNING:

Sailing and activities associated with it involve risks of personal injury, loss and damage and even death. The risks include but are not limited to, the risk of injury from collision, capsizing, falling overboard, being trapped under the sail or boat after capsized and impact with equipment. Any of these events can also result in death.

The risks involved in this activity are heightened by;

- Adverse weather conditions
- Inadequate training
- Fatigue
- Inexperience
- Failure to maintain the boat
- Failure to supply and use the recommended safety equipment
- Failure to observe the RRS and the FSC Sailing Instructions.

This warning is given as a risk warning pursuant to Section 51 of the Civil Liability Act 2002 (as amended). Having given this risk warning, Fremantle Sailing Club will not be held liable for any personal injury or death, however it may occur.

27. INSURANCE:

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability for a minimum cover of \$5 Million with a recommendation to have \$10 Million Third Party Liability Insurance cover.

28. MEDIA:

In submitting the entry form, all competitors, parents, legal guardians, custodians provide their permission for all photographs, video, TV and sound recordings to be the property of the organisers and used for any purpose including public viewing and posting on the FSC or Class Association website.

ATTACHMENT A

RACING AREA 1

TRAPEZOID

Course 1 – Numeral Pennant 1

Optimist Silver

Start, 1, 2, 3P, Finish

Optimist Gold

Start, 1, 2, 3S or 3P, 2, 3P, Finish

29er, Tasar, Laser 4.7

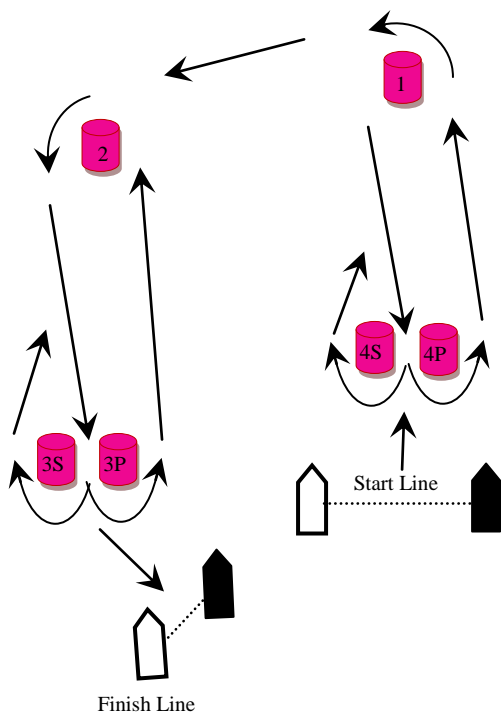
Start, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 2, 3P, Finish

Flying Ant

Start, 1, 2, 3S or 3P, 2, 3P, Finish

Sailboards

Start, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 2, 4S or 4P, 2, 3P, Finish



WINDWARD LEEWARD

Course 2 – Numeral Pennant 2

Optimist Silver

Start, 1, 3S or 3P, Finish

Optimist Gold

Start, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 3S or 3P, Finish

29er, Tasar, Laser 4.7

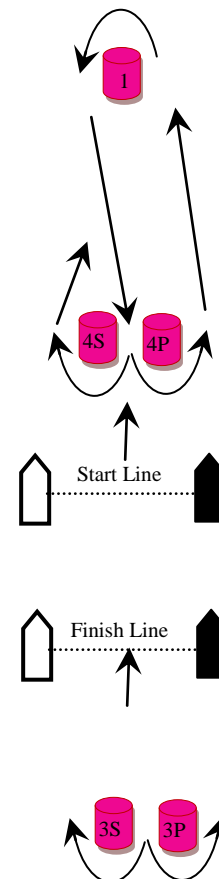
Start, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 3S or 3P, Finish

Flying Ant

Start, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 3S or 3P, Finish

Sailboards

Start, 1, 3S or 3P, 1, 3S or 3P, Finish



Note :



This symbol may be a boat or pin mark

ATTACHMENT A

RACING AREA 2

TRAPEZOID

Course 1 – Numeral Pennant 1

Laser Full Rig, Laser Radial, Finn

Start, 1, 2, 3S or 3P, 2, 3S or 3P, 2, 3P, Finish
Flying 15

Start, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 2, 3P, Finish
49er

Start, 5, 4S or 4P, 5, 4S or 4P, 5, 2, 3P, Finish
470, 505/Sharpie/Fireball/Contender

Start, 1, 2, 3S or 3P, 2, 3S or 3P, 2, 3P, Finish
Catamarans

Start, 5, 4S or 4P, 5, 4S or 4P, 5, 2, 3P, Finish
420

Start, 1, 2, 3S or 3P, 2, 3S or 3P, 2, 3P, Finish

WINDWARD LEEWARD

Course 2 – Numeral Pennant 2

Laser Full Rig, Laser Radial, Finn

Start, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 3S or 3P, Finish
Flying 15

Start, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 3S or 3P, Finish
49er

Start, 5, 2, 5, 2, Finish

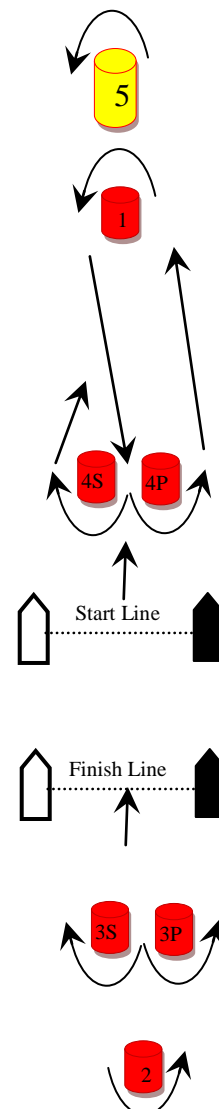
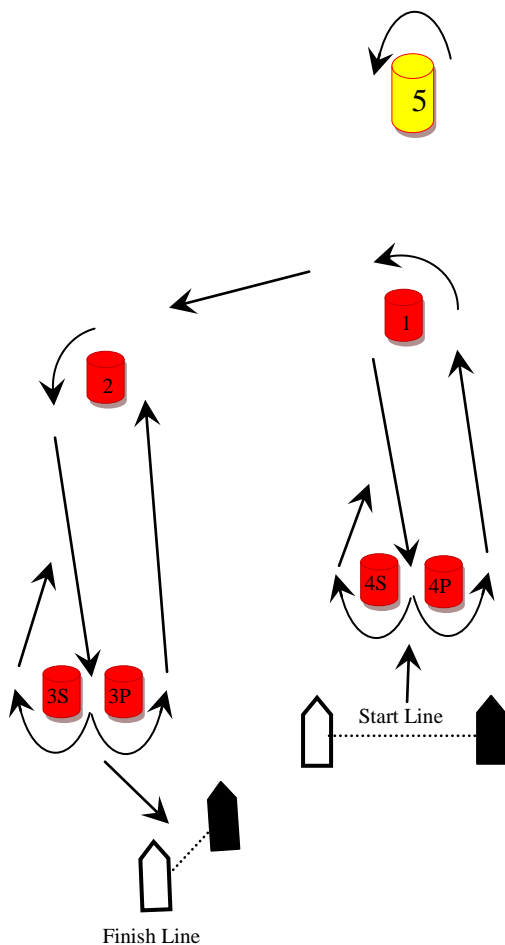
470, 505/Sharpie/Fireball/Contender

Start, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 3S or 3P, Finish
Catamarans

Start, 5, 2, 5, 2, Finish

420

Start, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 4S or 4P, 1, 3S or 3P, Finish



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ATTACHMENT B

Logo Attachment Template

Ronstan Logo

The supplied logo's are to be affixed on both sides of the hull as shown below

