



# International Cadet Class

## Sprint Championship

**28th January 2024**

### **Sailing Instructions**

Organising Authority: - Royal Geelong Yacht Club

**1. Rules.**

Races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Special Regulations Australian Sailing (AS) Part 2 for Off the Beach (OTB) boats.

**2. Notices to Competitors.**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the regatta office.

**3. Changes to Sailing Instructions.**

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 09:00 hours on the day it will take effect.

Changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made afloat at any time and will be indicated by the display of Code Flag 3rd Substitute accompanied by two sound signals. The change will be communicated orally by the race committee

**4. Signals Made Ashore, Afloat.**

4.1. On shore signals will be displayed from the OTB flag mast.

4.2. When Code flag "AP" is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP.

This alters RRS Race Signals

**5. Schedule of Races.**

Sunday 28th January 2024:



The Warning Signal for Sprint Race Heat One shall be made no earlier than 12:27.

Warning signal for Sprint Race Heat Two shall be made as soon as practical after the last boat finishes from race one.

Successive starts will be at the discretion of the Race Officer. A program of up to 10 races may be held.

No warning signal will be made after 15:27hrs.

## 6. Class Flag.

The class flag will be a black “C” on a white background.

## 7. The Course.

The diagram in Attachment A shows the course. All courses are 1 lap only with all marks to be rounded to port.

## 8. Marks.

Start / Finish mark will be a black cone.

Windward and Leeward mark will be yellow cones.

The wing mark will be an orange cone.

## 9. The Start

9.1. The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

9.2. A boat starting later than 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

9.3. The starting Procedure shall be:

Signal	Flag and Sound	Minutes before Start
Warning	Class Flag. One sound	3
Preparatory	P, U or Black One sound	2
One-Minute	Preparatory Removed One Long Sound	1



Start	Class Flag Removed One sound	0
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This changes rule 26

**10. Alteration or Shortening Course.**

There shall be no alteration or shortening of a race in progress. This changes rule 33

**11. The Finish.**

The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

**12. Time Limit.**

The Time Limit shall be 20 minutes from the start. Boats finishing later than 7 minutes after the first boat to finish shall be scored TLE.

This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

**13. Penalty System**

A boat that has taken a penalty or retired in accordance with rule 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the Race Office before the end of the protest time limit.

**14. Protests.**

14.1. Boats intending to protest shall inform the committee vessel at the end of the race and before returning to shore. Upon returning to shore, protests shall be made in writing and delivered to the RO at the Regatta Office within the protest time limit. Protest forms are available at the Regatta Office.

14.2. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and the protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

14.3. 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 to a protest or named as a witness. This shall be taken as notification to all parties. Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).



14.4. RRS 66 is changed by adding: “On the last day of racing, a party to the hearing may ask for a reopening no later than half an hour after being informed of the decision”.

14.5. A list of boats that, under SI 14.2, have acknowledged breaking rule 42 or have been disqualified by the protest committee will be posted within the protest time limit.

14.6. Breaches of SI’s 13.1, 16, 17, 18 and 20 shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This amends rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest committee so decides. This amends rule 64.1(a).

## **15. Scoring.**

The standard scoring system will be used with 1 points for 1st, 2 points for 2nd and so on.

A boat that scores TLE will be awarded a score 1 point more than the last finishing boat.

A boats score shall be the total of all races completed. There will be no discards.

## **16. Safety Regulations.**

16.1. Sign On/Off.

A Sign on/off sheet will be provided at the Regatta Office.

The skipper (or crew) of each boat shall check-out by signing this sheet prior to leaving the shore, and check-in by signing this sheet as soon as possible upon returning to shore at the completion of racing, but no later than the protest time limit.

16.2. Failure to sign-out or sign-in

Failure to sign-out or sign-in may result in a boat being penalised an additional 5 points to both the 1st and last race of the day.

This changes rules 63.1, A4 and A5.

## **17. Replacement of Crew or equipment.**

Substitution of Skippers will not be allowed and substitution of Crew or equipment will only be permitted in exceptional circumstances. Permission will be given in writing and posted on the Official Notice Board.

## **18. Equipment and Measurement checks.**



At the direction of the RO, a boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

**19. Official Boats.**

Official Boats will be identified at the briefing.

**20. Support Boats.**

When requested by the Race Officer, support boats will provide assistance to boats in distress in the accepted manner.

**21. Radio Communication.**

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This also applies to mobile telephones.

**22. Prizes.**

Only financial members of 6<sup>th</sup> Fleet who reside in the state of Victoria are eligible for prizes.

**23. Disclaimer of Liability.**

Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Refer to the declaration on the official entry form.

**24. Insurance.**

All competing boats shall carry, as a minimum, Third Party Liability insurance, with racing risk, to the minimum value of \$10,000,000.

Proof of cover shall be provided if requested by the Race Officer or 6th Fleet committee President. A policy number and the Insurance Company name that policy is currently held with, is a minimum requirement.

## Attachment A: Courses

