

SAIL MELBOURNE

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS WASZPS

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1 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any changes to the format or schedule of races will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 1.2 When any SI Addendum is changed, an updated version of it will be posted on the <u>SSCBC Official</u> <u>Notice Board</u> (ONB)

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the ONB.
- 2.2 All protests, scoring enquiries, equipment and crew change requests will be submitted via the ONB and resulting notices posted online.

3 [DP] CODE OF CONDUCT

3.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag masts near the jetty.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes race signal AP.
- 4.3 Signals made ashore may also be posted on the Official Notice Board.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 A maximum of 10 races will be sailed for the championship.
- 5.2 The schedules time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 1300 and on Sunday is 1100.
- 5.3 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable after the completion of the previous race.
- 5.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least three minutes before a warning signal is displayed. This changes RRS Race Signals.

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The class flag will be gold with the WASZP class insignia.

7 RACING AREAS

7.1 The race area will be to the north of the club.



8 COURSES

- 8.1 The diagram in Annex A shows the course the colour of marks, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel may display approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 8.3 If one of the gates marks is not laid, then the laid mark shall be left to port.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and either:
 - a) the course side of the port-end inflatable starting mark, or
 - b) a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the port end.
- 9.2 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, Appendix A5.1 and Appendix A5.2.

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 finishing line to a new position.

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.
- 11.2 When the leading boat rounds mark 4p for the final time, a Race Committee vessel will display the green finish flag with a sound signal. The green finish flag will be removed at the end of the finishing window time limit.
- 11.3 All boats that:
 - a) have completed a lap before the green finish flag is displayed, but then fail to finish while it is displayed, or
 - b) cross the finishing line while the green finish flag is displayed shall be deemed to have finished irrespective of the number of laps completed. Their positions in the race will be based on the order when they either completed their last lap or finished, with those having completed more laps finishing ahead of those with fewer laps. This changes RRS 28.1 and A4
- 11.4 [DP] When the green finish flag is displayed, all boats on a downwind leg shall sail through the leeward gate and to the finishing line. A boat that sails through the leeward gate when the green finish flag is displayed shall not attempt a further lap.
- 11.5 If a boat is asked by an official vessel, it shall return to the starting area. That boat will be scored in its last known position. This changes RRS 28.1, A5.1 and A5.2.
- 11.6 [DP] After crossing the finishing line, competitors shall continue to sail at least 100m before stopping to clear the finishing line.



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12 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

12.1	Mark 1 Time Limit	15 min
	Target Time	20 min
	Race Time Limit	40 min
	Finish Window	10 min

- 12.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 Time Limit the race may be abandoned. Failure to meet the target times will not be grounds for protest. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 12.3 Boats failing to finish within the time stated in the Finish Window after the first boat starts, sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish, except as provided for in SI 12.1. This changes RRS 35, RRS Appendix A5.1 and A5.2.

13 HEARING REQUESTS

- 13.1 Protests shall be submitted via the ONB.
- 13.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 40 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is the later.
- 13.3 Notices will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located next to the race office, beginning at the time posted. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 20 minutes before the end of the protest time limit.
- 13.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 13.5 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered;
 - a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 62.2.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores.
- 14.3 When four to seven races have been completed, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 14.4 When eight or more races have been completed a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

15 **[DP]** SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1 **[DP]** Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices in accordance with NOR 1.2 at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 15.2 **[DP]** A boat that retires from racing shall notify the race committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the race office as soon as possible after returning ashore.



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Annex A

Description of Marks

Start pin	Orange Inflatable	
Finish pin	Blue Inflatable	
Mark 1s, 1p, 4s, 4p	Pink inflatable	

Course

Start – 1s/1p – 4s/4p – 1s/1p – 4p – Finish





