



## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the regatta notice board.

### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted 30 minutes before the start of the race.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the clubhouse flagpole. Flag "D" means boats shall not leave the shore until this signal is lowered. When flag "L" is displayed with one sound signal a notice will have been posted on the regatta notice board.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates of racing:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Details</u>
Sat 1 April	09h00-10h15	Registration
	10h30	Skipper's briefing
	11h30	Race 1
	Subsequent races per notice board or signal whilst afloat.	
Sun 2 April	As per notice board	Aiming for 08h00 Skippers briefing and first race at 09h00

Six races are scheduled to a maximum of eight if conditions are favourable to good racing.

- 5.2 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 13h00.

### 6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>	<u>Designs</u>
Senior monohull	F	Laser (Standard, Radial & 4.7) Laser II, Mirror, Finn, Sprog, Fireball, Sonnet, Enterprise, Gypsy, Extra, 420, 470
Multihulls	G	Hobies, Halcats, Darts
Junior monohull	O	(Helm and crew U18) Optimist, RS Tera, RS Pro, Dabchick, Sunfish, Topper, Mirror, 420.



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## **7 RACING AREAS**

- 7.1 The racing area will be within and outside the Port Elizabeth harbour. The racing area will be shown on the course card displayed on the official regatta notice board.
- 7.2 Port Elizabeth Harbour is a working harbour and regatta racing will be subject to scheduled ship movements. Competitors may be required to adhere to special launching and safety instructions posted on the Regatta Notice Board.

## **8 THE COURSES**

- 8.1 The courses will be indicated on the Regatta Notice Board and are subject to weather conditions and shipping movements. A board on the back of the committee boat will also display the relevant course to be sailed.
- 8.2 The start and finish lines may be designated as closed gates – Refer to Regatta Notice Board.

## **9 MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks will be large red or orange marks as indicated on the Regatta Notice Board.
- 9.2 The starting and finishing marks will be small pink marks.
- 9.3 Certain marks and other floating infrastructure will be designated as 'obstructions' – refer to map on Regatta Notice Board.

## **10 THE START**

- 10.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be either between the Committee Boat Signal Mast and a nearby start mark, or be between identified harbour marks, as specified on the course instruction listed on the Regatta Notice Board.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes.
- 10.4 A boat starting later than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes Rules A4 and A5.

## **11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 11.1 Rule 33 allows for the moving of the mark by displaying flag C with repetitive sounds, a green flag for moving to starboard, red flag if moving to port. There need not be any indication of a change in the course length (Rule 33(b)).

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be either between the Committee Boat Signal Mast and a nearby finish mark, or be between identified harbour marks, as specified on the course instruction listed on the Regatta Notice Board.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 13.1 For the multihull class(es) Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a 360 degree tack and gybe.



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## **14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

14.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Time Limit</u>	<u>Mark 1 Time Limit</u>	<u>Target Time</u>
Senior Multihull	60 minutes	20 minutes	30 minutes
Junior	60 minutes	20 minutes	30 Minutes

14.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).

14.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes Rules 35, A4 and A5.

14.4 The race Committee may schedule an extra-ordinary course and extend the time limits and target times by posting a Notice to Competitors 30 minutes before the start of the race.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

15.1 Protest forms are available from the Race Secretary. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

15.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 40 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the ABYC Clubhouse.

15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).

15.5 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in Rule 70.5.

## **16 SCORING**

16.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A 4.1 will apply.

16.2 The Senior and Junior classes may be split into sub-categories.

16.3 Club scoring will be done by means of the Sailwave team scoring facility with the number of boats per Club being decided dependent on club entries. This number will be determined by the Race Committee and published on the Notice Board.

16.4 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.5 (a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 6 to 8 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

17.1 Substitution of competitors, boats and sailing rigs (such as changing from a Laser Standard sail to Laser 4.7 sail) will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.



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## **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 ADVERTISING**

Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority as instructed on the Regatta Notice Board.

## **20 OFFICIAL BOATS**

There is an official photographic boat which will endeavour to keep clear of competitors.

## **21 SUPPORT BOATS**

Team leaders, coaches 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.

## **22 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support boats.

## **23 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 or other signalling devices.

## **24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4: Decision to Race. The organizing 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.