



**International 420 Class  
NSW State Championship  
2010**

***SAILING INSTRUCTIONS***

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**Saturday 24 April – Sunday 25 April**

**Organising Authority & Venue**

**Woolahra Sailing Club**  
Vickery Ave, Rose Bay, 2029

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These sailing instructions apply to the International 420 Class NSW Championship. Additional Sailing Instructions may be issued, or these Sailing Instructions may be modified.

## **1. Venue**

The venue for the regatta will be Woollahra Sailing Club, Rose Bay.

## **2. Rules**

- 2.1 Racing will be governed by the YA "Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012", the Boating (Safety Equipment) Regulations of NSW and by these Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 The YA Special Regulations Part 2 (Off the beach boats) and prescriptions shall apply, and Personal Flotation Devices in accordance with Regulation 1 shall be worn at all times while racing.
- 2.3 The Protest Committee may penalise a boat, which has broken RRS 42 (Propulsion) without a hearing, under the provisions of RRS 67 (Rule 42 and Hearing Requirements).
- 2.4 Racing Rule 42 is modified as follows:
  - 2.4.1 In accordance with Class Rules, if the wind exceeds the specified limit of 13 knots consistently, the Race Committee may display flag O before or with the warning signal to indicate that pumping, rocking and ooching is permitted. The flag will be removed at the starting signal.
  - 2.4.2 If the wind speed exceeds the specified limit after the starting signal, the race committee may display flag O with repetitive sounds at a rounding mark to signal that the actions are permitted, as specified in the class rules, to a boat after she has passed the mark.
  - 2.4.3 If the wind speed becomes less than the specified limit after flag O was displayed, the race committee may display flag R with repetitive sounds at a rounding mark to signal that rule 42, as changed by the class rules, applies to a boat after she has passed the mark.

## **3. Eligibility and Entry**

- 3.1 Entries will only be accepted on the official event entry form and must be lodged at the WSC Office with any applicable entry fees as detailed in the NOR or Entry Form. All competitors shall be financial members of the International 420 Class Association and a Sailing Club affiliated with a National Authority.
- 3.2 A boat must sail under the sail number advised on its Entry Form. Consent to carry a sail displaying a number different to that which is shown on the Entry Form must be sought in writing and granted from the Race Committee at least one hour before the scheduled start of racing that day.

## **4. Signing On and Signing Off Provisions**

- 4.1 All boats intending to race must sign on prior to launching.
- 4.2 All boats returning to shore must sign off as soon as practicable, but no later than one (1) hour after completion of the final race of the day.

## **5. Notice to Competitors**

Notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the foyer of the WSC clubhouse no later than one hour before the commencement of racing.

## **6. Changes to Sailing Instructions**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official noticeboard not later than one hour before the commencement of racing. Code flag "L" displayed on the Club mast together with a single sound signal indicates a change has been placed on the notice board.

## 7. Signals Made Ashore

- 7.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag mast, which is approximately 20 metres in front of the office tower.
- 7.2 Flag "AP" with two sound signals means the race is postponed. Lowering of the "AP" flag with one sound signal means that the warning signal will be made in not less than 30 minutes.
- 7.3 Code Flag "F" means foul weather exists or is expected shortly. All boats to stay ashore.

## 8. Schedule of Race / Social Activities

### **Saturday 24 April**

Registration	0830-0930hrs	WSC
Briefing	0930-0940hrs	WSC
Racing (first warning signal)	1030hrs	Sydney Harbour

### **Sunday 25 April**

Racing (first warning signal)	1000hrs	Sydney Harbour
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### 8.2 Racing Schedule

- Maximum of nine (9) races are scheduled over two (2) days of racing (this amends the NOR).
- Minimum of three (3) races are required to constitute a series.
- One race may be discarded after four (4) completed races, a second race may be discarded after eight (8) completed races.
- Start times and number of races may be altered by a notice to competitors the afternoon prior, depending on forecast.
- No warning signal shall be made after 1500hrs on Sunday 25 April, the last day of racing.

## 9. Class Flags

- 9.1 The 420 Class Association flag will be used to make the Warning / Start signal.

## 10. Racing Area

The race area will be on the waters of Sydney Harbour east of Fort Dennison and south of the Sow and Pigs reef.

## 11. The Course

- 11.1 The courses to be sailed at outlined in Attachment 1.
- 11.2 Races will start from a start line situated between a mast on the committee boat displaying the WSC burgee and a white inflatable buoy laid on its port side.
- 11.3 Designation of course. The course designation shall be indicated by a alphanumeric designator (eg: W2) on the stern of the committee boat.

## 12. Marks

- 12.1 The committee boat is a red-hulled cabin cruiser displaying the WSC Burgee.
- 12.2 Marks 1, 2 and G will be yellow cylinders.
- 12.4 The start mark will be a white cylinder.
- 12.5 The finish mark will be a blue cylinder.

**13. The Start**

- 13.1 Races will be started using RRS 26:
- 13.2 A boat which attempts to start later than four minutes after the starting signal shall be recorded as DNS in accordance with RRS Appendix A1.1.

**14. Time Limits**

- 14.1 If the first boat has not reached the first mark within 30 mins that race shall be abandoned.
- 14.2 Any boat finishing more than 20 minutes after the first boat will be scored a DNF.

**15. Protests**

- 15.1 Protests shall be lodged in writing at the WSC office, on the form available from the office, within one hour of the finishing time of the last boat to finish in the last race of the day.
- 15.2 In the event of a protest, the protest committee reserves the right to mediate with both parties to reach a binding decision.
- 15.3 Protests will be heard at the WSC clubhouse as soon as practicable and approximately in order of receipt. The time and date of a hearing will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

**16. Results**

- 16.1 The low point score system will apply. Three completed races are required to constitute a series.
- 16.2 When three (3) races are completed, a boats score shall be the sum of the scores in all races. When four (4) or more races are completed, a boats score shall be the sum of the scores for all races, excluding the worst score. When eight (8) or more races are completed, a boats score shall be the sum of the scores for all races, excluding the two worst scores.

**17. Prizes**

- 17.1 Prizes will be awarded as determined by the NSW Int 420 Class Association.

**18. Port Regulations**

All boats must abide by the Navigation (Collision) Regulations 1983. Any infringement may render an offending boat subject to disqualification. Keep clear, 200m ahead x 50m on side of all ferries.

**19. Risk and Responsibility**

All those taking part in Club racing do so at their own risk and responsibility. Woollahra Sailing Club Limited is not responsible for any damage or injury ashore or on the water, nor for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted, nor for the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. The Club reserves the right to refuse an entry.

Attention is drawn to the Fundamental Rules, and in particular Rule 4, which states, "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

**21. Event Disclaimer**

It is the competitor's decision to enter an event or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that sailing involves inherent risks and that their participation in an event is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry in an event, competitors waive any liability for, and further and/or in the alternative indemnify Woollahra Sailing Club Limited, its officers, members, servants, employees and agents, whether paid or unpaid in respect of all claims, suits, demands, actions for damages or claims for compensation or other claims as may seem open to them for any personal injury, including defamation, or property damage arising from, in connection with, or howsoever arising from their intended participation in or actual participation in any event either organised by Woollahra Sailing Club Limited or in which Woollahra Sailing Club Limited has any interest as an organiser, facilitator, adviser, or provider of facilities. In accordance with clause 25 of the relevant Aquatic Licences competitors are advised that the organiser's insurances do not cover competitors for injury or loss sustained as a result of participating in this event.

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**22. Rights to use Name and Likeness**

By participating in an event, a competitor automatically grants to Woollahra Sailing Club Limited the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time and at its discretion, any motion still or live pictures, taped or film television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the event in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the event without compensation in cash or in kind.

## Attachment 1- Course Descriptions

Designation	Description	Order of Mark Rounding
<b>W1</b>	Windward/Leeward	S - 1 - FDW
<b>W2</b>	Windward/Leeward	S - 1 - G - 1 - FDW
<b>W3</b>	Windward/Leeward	S - 1 - G - 1 - G - 1 - FDW
<b>W4</b>	Windward/Leeward	S - 1 - G - 1 - G - 1 - G - 1 - FDW

S= Start, G= Gate, FDW= Finish Downwind

Mark 1 

