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Sailing Instructions

For the
2011 Winter Series
At Woollahra Sailing Club (Organising Authority)
Saturdays from 18 June – 6 August

These sailing instructions apply to the Woollahra Sailing Club Winter Series 2011. Additional Sailing Instructions may be issued, or these Sailing Instructions may be modified.

1. Venue

The Series race area will be on the waters of Sydney Harbour east of Fort Dennison and organised by Woollahra Sailing Club Limited.

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 Racing Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are modified as follows for boats in Division 1:

2.3.1 Two-turn penalty is replaced with a One-turn penalty.

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.

3.2 All competitors shall pay the prescribed entry fee:

Woollahra Sailing Club Members-	Free Entry
Members of other clubs-	\$30 per person

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. A boat failing to sign on will be scored , without a hearing, DNS for the first race that day. This amends rules 63.1 and A5.

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. A boat failing to sign off will be scored, without a hearing, DNF for the last race that day. This amends rules 63.1 and A5.

4.3 A boat which has been granted approval to carry a number other than that on its entry form under clause 3.2, shall note both its 'entered' number and the number it is sailing with on the sign on sheet.

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 races not started are 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 "D" means foul weather exists or is expected shortly. All boats to stay ashore.

8. Schedule of Race / Social Activities

Saturday 18 June

Registration	0800-0900 hrs	WSC
Briefing	0900-0910 hrs	WSC
Racing (first warning signal)	1000 hrs	Sydney Harbour

Sunday 25 June, 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 July

Racing (first warning signal)	1000 hrs	Sydney Harbour
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Sunday 6 August

Racing (first warning signal)	1000 hrs	Sydney Harbour
Presentation	ASAP after racing	WSC

8.2 Racing Schedule

- Minimum of six (6) races are required to constitute a series.
- One race may be discarded after each five (5) 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 1230hrs on Sunday 6 August, the last day of racing.

9. Division and Warning Signals

- 9.1 The following divisions shall be raced: -

Division	Warning Signal	Classes
1	Pennant One	Classes with asymmetrical spinnakers and foiling moths
2	Pennant Two	Non-asymmetrical spinnaker classes (YDS <125)
3	Pennant Three	Class with YDS >125

- 9.2 Classes with more than 6 entered boats that sail regularly **may** be scored separately for individual class prizes.

10. Racing Area

The racing area will be on the waters of Sydney Harbour.

11. The Course

11.1 The courses to be sailed, including the course designations, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side to which each Mark is to be left are shown in Attachment One.

11.2 Designation of course. The course designation shall be indicated by a alphanumerical 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.

12.3 Mark 1a will be a yellow cylinder with a black band and Mark 4 will be a small white buoy.

12.4 The start / windward finish mark will be a white cylinder and the downwind finish mark will be a blue cylinder.

13. The Start

13.1 The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Start Vessel at the Starboard end and a starting mark at the port end. The starting mark will be as described in Attachment One.

13.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area, unless finishing.

13.3 The Race Committee Vessel may hold position by using engines. Any effects will not be grounds for granting redress. This alters RRS 60.1(b) and 62

13.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her Starting Signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS Definitions – "Start" and Appendix A5.

14. Time Limit –

14.1 The time limit for completion of a Race will be 20 minutes for the first boat to reach the first mark.

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. Scoring

16.1 A boats finishing position shall be determined using its corrected time with boats handicapped using the YV Yardstick. Except that when the average breeze for a race is assessed as being predominantly foiling conditions for Moths their Yardstick will be 68.

16.2 Back calculated yardsticks will apply after 4 completed races to determine Handicap placings.

16.3 Races with less than 4 starters will not be scored.

17. Prizes

17.1 Prizes will be awarded as determined by the organising authority.

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 ferries displaying Orange Diamond.

19. 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.

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."

20. 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


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

Designation	Description	Order of Mark Rounding
W1	Windward/Leeward	S – 1a – 2 - FUW
W2	Windward/Leeward	S – 1a – G – 1a – 2 - FUW
W3	Windward/Leeward	S – 1a – G – 1a – G – 1a – 2 - FUW
W4	Windward/Leeward	S – 4 – G – 4 – G – 4 – G – 4 – 2 - FUW
D1	Windward/Leeward	S – 1 – FDW
D2	Windward/Leeward	S – 1 – G – 1 – FDW
D3	Windward/Leeward	S – 1 – G – 1 – G – 1 – FDW
T1	Triangle	S – 1a – 3 – 2 – FUW
T2	Triangle	S – 1a – 3 – 2 – 1a – 2 – FUW
T3	Triangle	S – 1a – 3 – 2 – 1a – 2 – 1a – 3 – 2 – FUW

Course 5- Harbour course, description will be posted on the notice board.

Mark 1 

Mark 1a 

 Mark 3

