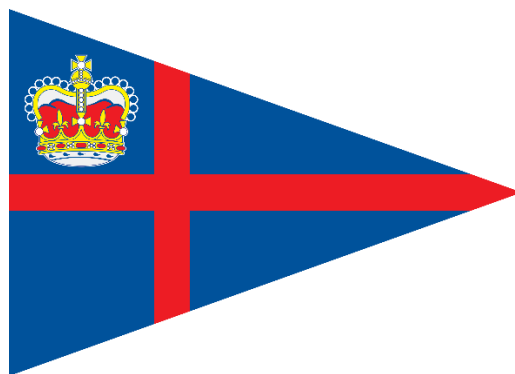




PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS RACING REGATTA

3rd February 2018

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club

The Organising Authority (OA) of the 2018 Pittwater Teams Racing Regatta is The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club, 16 Mitala St, Newport 2106.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Pittwater Teams Racing Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing (WS) *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) including Appendix D – *Team Racing Rules* and Appendix L Addendum B – *Boats provided by the Organising Authority*.
- 1.2 The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 2; 5 Personal Equipment will apply.
- 1.3 Race Signal AP is amended so that the Warning Signal shall be made not less than 30 minutes after “AP” is lowered ashore.
- 1.4 The Race Committee shall only be represented by the Race Officer or their nominated representative.
- 1.5 The Protest Committee shall only be represented by the Protest Committee Chairman or their nominated representative.
- 1.6 Rule 66 is amended so that on the last race day of the Series, a request to re- open a hearing shall be made within the protest time limit or within 30 minutes of being informed of the decision, whichever is the latest.
- 1.7 Pacer Class rules will not apply.

2 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

2.1 Dates of Racing:

Event	Date	Time
Series Entries Close	Saturday 20 th January 2018	17:00
Registration	Saturday 3 rd February 2018	07:30 – 08:30
Competitor Briefing	Saturday 3 rd February	08:30
First Warning Signal	Saturday 3 rd February	09:30
Presentation BBQ	Saturday 3 rd February	16:00

- 2.2 No warning signal will be made after 15:00 on Saturday 3rd February.

3 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 3.1 Races will be scheduled after finalisation of late entries on Thursday the 1st of February. The schedule will be published on the event webpage, <http://rpayc.com.au/courses/school-sailing>
- 3.2 Two round robins will be held each consisting of 6 races.
- 3.3 A major final may be held where the top two ranked teams after the round robins compete for first place. The major final is subject to the completion of the first two round robins.

- 3.4 A petit final may be held where the bottom two teams after the round robins compete for third and fourth place. The petit final is subject to the completion of the first two round robins and completion of the final major.

4 THE COURSE

- 4.1 The course to be sailed will be a starboard digital N course, as depicted in figure 1 below.

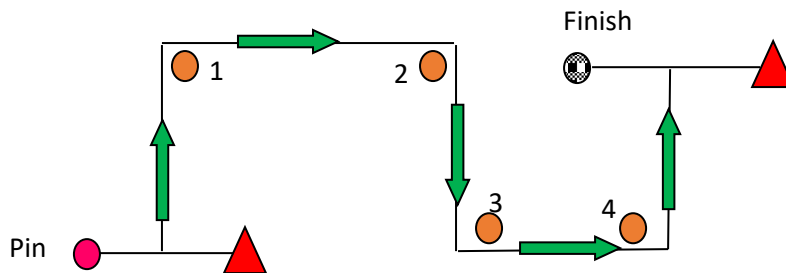


Figure 1 – Starboard Digital N course

- 4.2 Marks 1 and 2 are left to Starboard. Marks 3 and 4 are left to Port.

5 MARKS

- 5.1 The Pin mark will be pink.
 5.2 Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be orange.
 5.3 The finish mark will be a black and white checked mark.

6 THE START

- 6.1 Races will be started as follows:

Minutes before Start Signal	Visual signal	Sound signal	Means
3	Flight number pennant	One	Warning Signal
2	P Up	One	Prep Signal
1	P down	One long	One Minute
0	Flight Pennant Number down	One	Starting Signal

This changes rule 26. 1.

- 6.2 Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the failure of a sound signal shall be disregarded.
 6.3 The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the pin mark at the port end.
 6.4 A boat shall not start later than three minutes after her starting signal.

7 THE FINISH

- 7.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag or shape on the race committee boat and the Finish mark at the port end.

8 TIME LIMIT

- 8.1 The time limit will be 15 minutes for the first boat in a race. Boats failing to finish within 6 minutes after the first boat finishes be scored DNF. This changes rule 35.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 Races will be scored in accordance with RRS App D3.
- 9.2 The winner of the round robin series will be the team with the lowest number of points at the conclusion of the series.
- 9.3 Ties will be resolved in accordance with App D3.3.

10 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on Friday 2nd February and the teams affected will be advised directly.

11 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 11.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the host club's signal mast.
- 11.2 Code flag AP with two sound signals (one when lowered) means 'The race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered'.
- 11.3 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the host club's signal mast.

12 BOATS

- 12.1 Competitors shall use boats from a collective pool of training boats provided.
- 12.2 Competitors shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way except that:
- (a) wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
 - (b) hulls, centreboards and rudders may be cleaned only with water,
 - (c) adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
 - (d) all fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided that the class rules are observed. Adjustment of rig tension and mast rake is not permitted without the express permission of the Race Committee.
- 12.3 All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.
- 12.4 The penalty for not complying with SI 12.2 or 12.3 will be disqualification from all races sailed in which the rule is broken.
- 12.5 Competitors are responsible for the care of the boats. Boats must not be dragged up onto the ramp or handled in any way which may lead to damage, however slight. Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the Race Committee immediately after finishing a race. The penalty for breaching these instructions, unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification of the competitor's team from the race most recently sailed in which they were successful.

13 RACING AREA

- 13.1 The racing area will be the waters around Scotland Island on Pittwater depending on conditions. The Race Committee will advise competitors in the race briefing on the day of the intended area for racing.

14 PROTESTS

- 14.1 All races will be umpired in accordance with Appendix D2 Umpired Races.