

53rd Whisper Mug 2025

Saturday 20th December 2025

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES – Refer NoR 1

2 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY – Refer NoR 2

3 SCHEDULE – Refer NoR 5

4 SCORING - Refer NoR 9

5 TROPHIES - Refer NoR 10

6 RISK STATEMENT - Refer NoR 11

7 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Changes to the schedule will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before they will take effect. Other changes will be posted before 0900hrs on the day they take effect.

7.2 Changes to the Sailing Instructions made afloat will be indicated by the display of Code Flag 3rd Substitute accompanied by two sound signals. This may be communicated orally.

8 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

8.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flagstaff at the club.

9 AREAS THAT RANK AS OBSTRUCTIONS

9.1 While racing in Pittwater, boats shall not sail within the area of water between registered moorings (including Police or NSW Maritime moorings) and the adjacent shoreline inside Pittwater. These areas rank as obstructions.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One-Turn Penalty. Infringements in the Zone as defined in the RRS shall be a Two Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.

11 TIME LIMIT

11.1 The time limit is 1700hrs.

12 CLASS FLAGS

DIVISION	FLAG	STARTING TIME
Division 2	Numeral Pennant 2	1100hrs
Division 1	Numeral Pennant 1	1120hrs

13 STARTING/FINISHING LINE

13.1 The Start line may be in the vicinity of Salt Pan Cove.

13.2 The Finish line may be in the vicinity of Bayview.

13.3 The starting and finishing lines shall be between a staff displaying; an **orange** flag at the start and **blue** flag at the finish, on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a nearby orange inflatable buoy.

13.4 The finishing vessel may be different to the starting vessel.

14 COURSE

14.1 **Start – Lion Island (P) – Dangar Island – Scotland Island (P) – Finish. Distance Approx. 21nm.**

14.2 All marks are to starboard unless indicated (P) which are to be rounded to port.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes in the last race of that day.

15.2 Notices will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit informing competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

15.3 The penalty, if any, for any infringement of the rules other than RRS Part 2 is at the sole discretion of the Protest Committee and may be other than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1.

15.4 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing or redress shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. Changes RRS 62.2.