

29er 49er **FX** 49er

2017 WA 9er State Championship

Sailing Instructions



Organising Authority

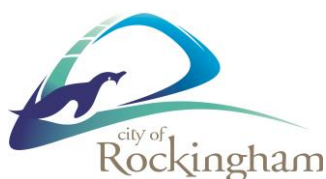
The Cruising Yacht Club of WA in conjunction with
The 9er Association of WA Inc.

Registration

Friday, 3 March 2017

Racing

Saturday, 4 March & Sunday, 5 March 2017



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1. Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the YA Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2 for off the beach boats, the rules of the 29er and 49er Class (except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions) and by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 If the wind speed is consistently 10 knots or above, measured at deck level, the Race Committee may signal in accordance with RRS Appendix P5 that “pumping, rocking and “ooching” are permitted. This changes RRS 42.2(a), RRS 42.2(b) and RRS 42.2(c)

2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located inside the TCYC Clubhouse.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least one hour before the scheduled start time for the first race in which it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast located in front of the Clubhouse. It shall be the responsibility of each boat to obtain any instructions.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1” minute is replaced with “not less than 30 minutes” in the race signal AP.

5. Schedule of Events

5.1 Schedule

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday, 3 March 2017	1600 – 1800	Registration
Saturday, 4 March 2017	0800 0830 0945 Following conclusion of sailing	Volunteer's Briefing Competitor's Briefing First Warning Signal – subsequent races to follow Guest Speaker Function
Sunday, 5 March 2017	0900 Following conclusion of sailing	First Warning Signal – subsequent races to follow Presentation Function

- 5.2 The 29er and 49er/49erFX classes will race on the same racecourse.
- 5.3 The 49er/49erFX classes will start together as one division and will be scored separately.
- 5.4 The regatta will consist of a maximum of 10 races. Five races per day are scheduled, however one extra race per day may be sailed provided that the class does not become more than one race ahead of schedule.
- 5.3 The start times for the second and succeeding races on each day will be as soon as practical after the conclusion of the preceding race.
- 5.4 When the 'Q' flag is displayed at the finish, another race will be started as soon as practicable. Multiple sound signals will indicate that a new starting sequence will commence within 1 minute"
- 5.5 On the last day of the regatta, no warning signal will be made after 1500.

6. **Class Flag**

The class flags will be as follows:

29er	29er class flag
49er and 49er FX	49er class flag (start together)

7. **Racing Area**

The racing area will be within Cockburn Sound.

8. **Courses**

The diagram in Attachment A shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left..

9. **Marks.**

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2S and 2P will be lime green inflatable buoys.
- 9.2 Marks 1A will be pink inflatable buoy.
- 9.2 The start pin mark will be an orange pimple with orange flag.
- 9.3 The finish pin mark will be an orange pimple with an orange flag.
- 9.4 New marks, as provided in 11. will be an orange buoy.

10. **The Start**

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 10.2 To alert boats that a race will start soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal. The orange flag will be displayed at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than five minutes after the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

11 **Change of the Next Leg of the Course**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12. **The Finish**

The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the port end and the finishing mark.

13. **Penalty System**
Rule 44.1 is changed so that the two-turn penalty is replaced by a one-turn penalty.
14. **Time Limits and Target Times**
- 14.1 The time limit for each race is 45 minutes with a target time of 30 minutes.
- 14.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 15 minutes, 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 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did No Finish without a hearing. This changes Rule 35, A4 and A5.
15. **Protests and Requests for Redress**
- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 The protest time limit is 60 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 protest room, located at the regatta office, beginning at the time posted.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5 Breaches of instructions 18,19, 21, 22,23 and 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- a) Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - b) No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
 - c) On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
16. **Arbitration**
- 16.1 Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2, Part 4 or rule 31 to take a penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a scoring penalty equal to a finishing place mid-way between the boat's actual finishing place and the score for a disqualification. Half points shall be disregarded and the points of other boats shall not be adjusted. Rule 63 is changed such that an arbitrator may allow a protest to be withdrawn.
- 16.2 An arbitration hearing will be conducted for all protests lodged in accordance with rule 61 which allege an infringement of a rule of Part 2, Part 4 or rule 31. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to the protest hearing.
- 16.3 The arbitrator will decide the time and place of the arbitration hearing and such advice may be given verbally. One representative of each boat will attend the arbitration hearing and no witnesses will be allowed. The arbitrator will decide the manner in which testimony is given.
- 16.4 After taking testimony, the arbitrator will make one of the following conclusions:
- a) The protest does not comply with rule 61 and the protestor should withdraw the protest.

- b) The matter shall proceed to a protest hearing. This may be because evidence is too complex or divergent or because injury, serious damage or a significant advantage may have occurred or because of the apparent severity of the alleged infringement or for any other reason decided by the arbitrator
 - c) No rule was broken and the protestor should withdraw the protest.
 - d) If a rule was broken by one or more of the boats involved, the infringing boat(s) may accept a scoring penalty as detailed above and if so accepted, the protestor should withdraw the protest.
- 16.5 An arbitration hearing shall not be re-opened. No conclusion of an arbitrator shall be subject to appeal or be grounds for redress.
- 16.6 Should the protest proceed to a protest hearing, then the arbitrator may be a member of the Protest Committee. Any evidence given by an arbitrator during a protest hearing shall be given only in the presence of the parties to the hearing.

17. Scoring

- 17.1 Five races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from six to eight races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When nine or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her scores excluding her two worst scores.

18. Safety Regulations

- 18.1 Sign on and Sign off: All boats must "sign on" before leaving the shore and "sign off" as soon as practicable after returning to shore at the completion of the session's racing.
- 18.2 The sign on period will close at the warning signal of the first race for that session on the day.
- 18.3 The sign off period will close 60 minutes after the last boat has completed the last race of the session.
- 18.4 Competitors who wish to sign on for subsequent races in that session must advise the Regatta Office.
- 18.5 A boat that retires shall sign the declaration sheet located on the desk in the Regatta Office.

19. Replacement of Crew or Equipment

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. Substitution of skippers will not be allowed after close of Registration for the applicable class.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20. Equipment and Measurement Checks

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

21. Advertising

Boats shall display advertising supplied by the Organising Authority if requested.

22. Support and Coach Boats

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished

or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. . The penalty for the infringement of this clause will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may include a penalty against boats connected with the infringing support person.

23. Trash Disposal

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard a support or race committee boat.

24. Radio Communications

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

25. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for: 1st, 2nd & 3rd Overall for each fleet division subject to numbers of entries.

Fleets with 3 and under – 1st Prize only

Fleets with 5 and under entries – 1st and 2nd Prize

Fleets with 6 or more entries – 1st, 2nd and 3rd Prize

The WA 29er, 49er FX and 49er State Championship, Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the first placed WA Entrant.

1st Junior Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the first WA skipper and crew whose age is under 17 on 31 December 2017 (team can be male, female or mixed)

Further prizes may be given at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

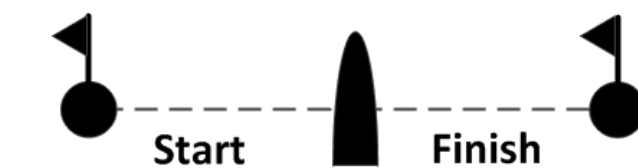
26. Disclaimer of Liability

All those taking part in this Regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility. TCYC and the WA 9'ers Association Inc. is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. TCYC and/or the WA 9'ers Association Inc. reserves the right to refuse an entry. Attention is drawn to Racing Rule 4 - Decision to Race, which places the sole responsibility for a boat deciding to participate in a race or to continue racing as hers alone".

27. Insurance Cover

All competing boats shall have Third Party Liability and Public Liability insurance cover of not less than AUD \$10,000,000 for any one accident. By completing the Entry Form, helmspersons are deemed to have made a declaration that they have such cover.

Appendix A – Course



Courses:

29er: 1, 2P/2S, 1, 2P, Finish

49er & 49erFX: 1A, 2P/2S, 1A, 2P, Finish