



60th Flying Fifteen International Australian Championships

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Supported by:



The Organising Authority will be:
Lake Macquarie Yacht Club (LMYC) in conjunction with Flying Fifteen International Australia
Under the authority of Australian Sailing (AS)
Hosted by LMYC located at ADA Street Belmont NSW 2280 Australia

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (**RRS**), which may be modified in accordance with RRS 86.1(b).
- 1.2 The following additional rules, conditions, by laws and regulations shall apply:
- a. Class Rules of Flying Fifteen International (**FFI**);
 - b. Conditions of the Coweslip Trophy of Flying Fifteen International Australia Inc. (**FFIA**);
 - c. National Championship Bylaws of FFIA; and
 - d. Yachting Australia (**YA**) Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2 for small Open Ballasted Boats shall apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T will apply.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the Lake Macquarie Yacht Club Regatta Office.
The Regatta Office is at the entrance to the Club.
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee will monitor and communicate via VHF radio on channel 71.
[DP] Whilst racing, except in an emergency, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag mast located on the northern side of the club adjacent to the Crane.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

DAY	DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME (hrs)
Saturday	6 January 2024	Registration and Measurement	0900 – 1600
Sunday	7 January 2024	Registration and Measurement	0900 – 1600
Monday	8 January 2024	Invitation Race	First warning Signal not before 1300
Tuesday	9 January	AGM	1000
Tuesday	9 January 2024	Racing minimum 2 races	TBA
Wednesday	10 January 2024	Racing minimum 2 races	TBA
Thursday	11 January 2024	Racing minimum 2 races	TBA
Friday	12 January 2024	Racing minimum 2 races	TBA

- 6.2 There will be a maximum number of 8/9 races for the Australian Championship
- 6.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 6.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1445 hrs.
- 6.5 The RO may schedule an extra race on a day depending on weather conditions.

- 7 CLASS FLAGS**
The class flag is a white flag with a red “ff” logo.
- 8 RACING AREA**
The racing area will be as described in the Notice of Race.
- 9 COURSES**
9.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum 1 show 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.
9.2 The course to be sailed will be designated by displaying a numeral pennant from the Race Committee Vessel (RCV) no later than the warning signal.
9.3 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee Vessel (RCV) will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg on the vessel’s transom.
- 10 MARKS**
10.1 Marks 1, 1a, 2, 3s and 3p will be Yellow inflatable truncated marks 1250 mm high, 500 mm diameter at top and 1025 mm diameter at base with a **RED** band 300 mm wide with LMYC logo in the middle.
(SI Addendum 2)
10.2 The start pin will be a Dan buoy with orange skirt, displaying an orange flag.
10.3 A spar mark bearing a red flag may be laid near the RCV, and if laid, this mark shall be passed on the same hand as the RCV when starting.
10.4 The Finish Pin will be a Dan buoy displaying a blue flag.
10.5 The change of course mark will be a Yellow inflatable truncated mark 1250 mm high, 500 mm diameter at top and 1025 mm diameter at base with a **GREEN** band 300 mm wide with LMYC logo in the middle.
- 11 THE START**
11.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
11.2 The starting line is between staffs displaying orange flags on the RCV and the starting mark.
11.3 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 12 CHANGE TO 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.
- 13 THE FINISH**
The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Vessel taken to Starboard and the Finish Pin to Port.
- 14 PENALTY SYSTEM**
14.1 RRS Appendix P may apply (to be confirmed), and if so,
14.2 RRS P2.3 does not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it applies to any penalty after the first one.
14.3 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty for a breach of part 2 rules, rule 31 and Appendix P is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 15 TIME LIMITS**
15.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 2 hours.
15.2 The Finishing Window is 30 minutes and is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.
15.3 The target time is 60–90 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

16 PROTEST

- 16.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.2 Hearing request forms are available from the reception desk located in the entry to the club.
- 16.3 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 an area to be advised.
- 16.4 A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 under Appendix P will be posted.

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1 **[DP]** Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 17.2 **[DP]** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the event measurer. Requests for substitution shall be made to the event measurer at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

18 OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official vessels will be identified as follows:

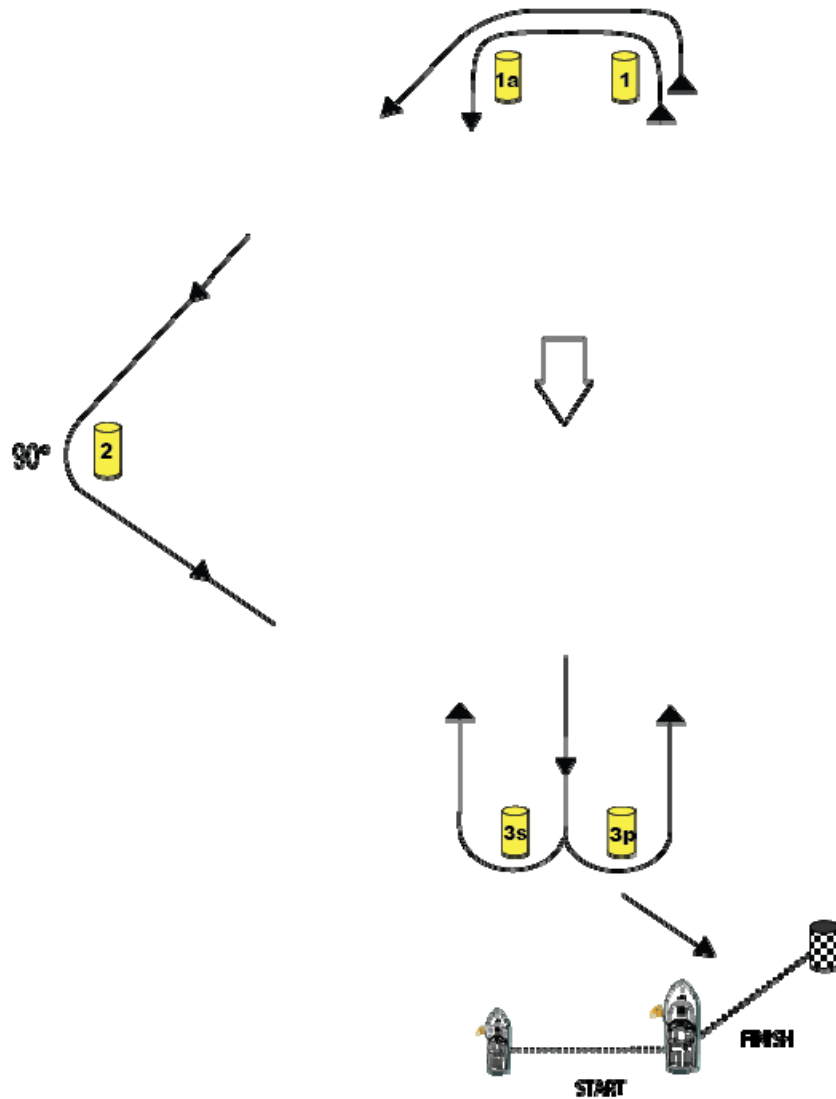
Category	Flag
Race Committee vessels	White flag with LMYC Race Committee burgee
Jury vessels	White flag with JURY or J and number
Marshall vessels	White flag with LMYC Race Committee burgee
Media vessels	White flag with MEDIA

19 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places whilst ashore.

ADDENDUM 1

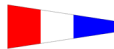
COURSES 1, 2 and 3 – Downwind Finish



Course 1: Start – 1 – 1a – 3s/3p – 1 – 1a – 2 – 3p – Finish



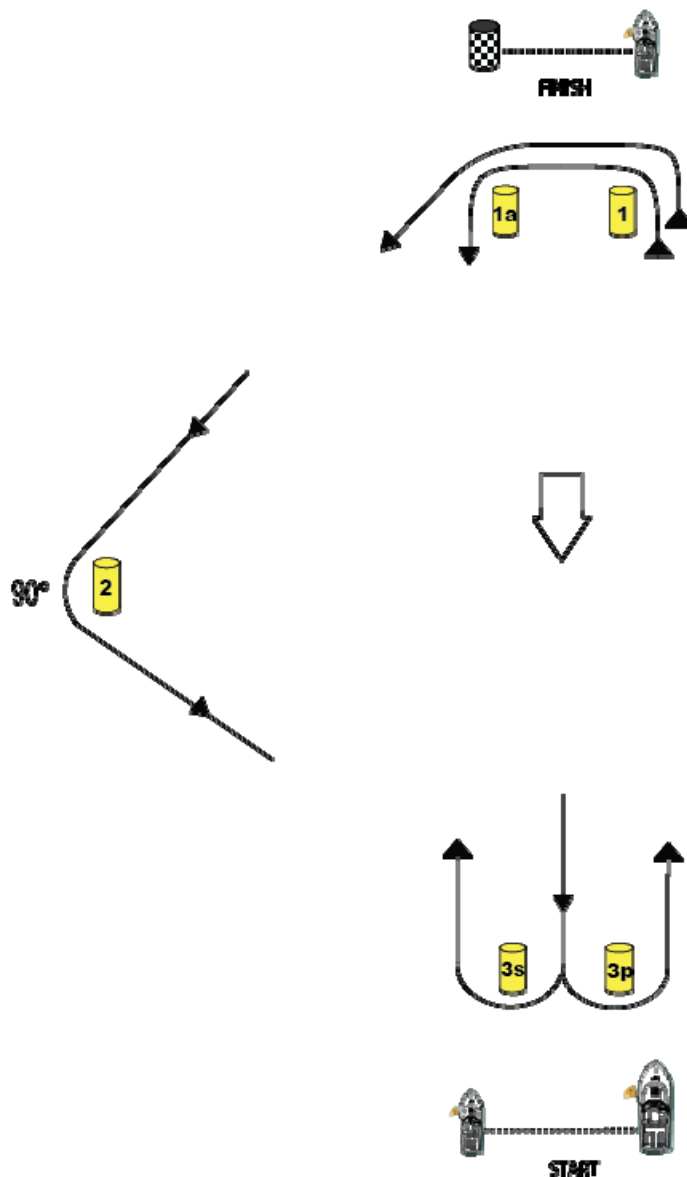
Course 2: Start – 1 – 1a – 3s/3p – 1 – 1a – 3p – Finish



Course 3: Start – 1 – 1a – 3s/3p – 1 – 1a – 3s/3p – 1 – 1a – 3p – Finish

Addendum 1 (cont.)

COURSES 4, 5 and 6 – Upwind Finish



Course 4: Start – 1 – 1a – 3s/3p – 1 – 1a – 2 – 3p – Finish



Course 5: Start – 1 – 1a – 3s/3p – 1 – 1a – 2 – 3p – 1 – 1a – 3s/3p – Finish



Course 6: Start – 1 – 1a – 3s/3p – 1 – 1a – 3s/3p – Finish

ADDENDUM 2

