2024 14 ft Regatta

15th and 16th November, 2024

The Organizing Authority is Rosebud Yacht Club, Inc (RoYC)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Race Administration area of RoYC.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 2 hours before the scheduled time for the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hrs 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 adjacent to the Race Control Tower.
- 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 RACES

5.1 Schedule:

Saturday	16 th August 2024	9:00-11:00	Registration
Saturday	16 th August 2024	11:00 hrs	Information Session
Saturday	16 th August 2024	11:57 hrs	Warning Signal
Saturday	16th August 2024	1900 hrs	Beach Games
Sunday	17 th August 2024	0957 hrs	Warning Signal

- 5.2 Code flag "L" flown on the Finish Boat will indicate that another race will be started following completion of the current race. Code flag "L" flown over a division flag indicates another race for that division only.
- 5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1500 hrs.

6. COMPETITION FORMAT

6.1 Beach Games – Beach games will form part of your results for the overall regatta. Places in these competitions will be added to racing scores and will form part of a competitors final results.

7. CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 Division 1 numeral pennant 1 Open Fleet
 - Division 2 numeral pennant 2 Novice fleet
 - Division 3 numeral pennant 3 Any other boats outside of 14ft regatta event
- 7.2 Division 2 entrants shall identify themselves by having a large numeral 2 on the front of both bows, on the outside edge at the point of the hull.

8. RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area will be on the waters of Port Phillip off RoYC.

Racing Area is defined as:

Before the starting signal, the racing area is within 100 metres of the starting line or its extensions.

After the starting signal, the racing area is 100 metres outside any point where a boat might sail during normal racing and includes the area bounded by the marks of the course at all times when any boat is racing.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 The diagram in Attachment A shows the course including the approximate angles between the legs and the order in which marks are to be passed.
- 9.2 The direction of legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. All marks need not be in position at that time. This changes rule 33.
- 9.3 Courses to be sailed by each division will be as designated on the course allocation board in the club rooms. Courses are as defined in Attachment A.
- 9.4 A red flag displayed with the warning signal on the committee vessel indicates that all marks shall be left to port. A green flag displayed with the warning signal on the committee vessel indicates that all marks shall be left to starboard

10. MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be orange inflatable buoys.
- 10.2 Start Mark and Finish mark will be a red inflatable buoy

11. THE START

- To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with a long sound signal at least three minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 11.2 Races shall be started by using the following signals.

Signal	Flag	Sound	Minutes before start signal
Warning	class/division flag	1 sound	3
Preparatory	P, U or Black flag	1 sound	2
One-minute	P, U or Black flag removed	1 long sound	1
Starting	Starting class/division flag removed	1 sound	0

- 11.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end and the Start Mark at the port end.
- 11.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.5 A boat starting later than 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- Any boat sailing through the start line in either direction when not actually starting will be disqualified without protest. This changes rule 63.1.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Finish Vessel at the starboard end and the port-end Finish Mark.
- Any boat sailing through this line in either direction without having completed the required course will be disqualified without protest. This changes rule 63.1.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired in accordance with rule 31 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at Regatta Race Office before the end of the protest time limit.

14. TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 The target time for all boats to complete a race shall be 35 minutes.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored "Did Not Finish". This changes rule 35 and A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS

- 15.1 Protest forms will be available from the Regatta Office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- The protest time limit for each Class/Division will be 60 minutes after the last boat for that Class/Division has concluded on-water racing. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee about incidents they see in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the "Race Control Tower", beginning at the time posted.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.6 Breaches of Sailing Instruction's 11.5, 13.1, 17, 19 and 21 shall 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.
- 15.7 Requests to reopen a hearing shall be in writing and lodged at the Regatta Office and shall include the grounds for the request.

16. SCORING

The Low Point scoring system, Appendix A. will apply, amended as follows:

- 16.1 A maximum of 8 events are scheduled, of which 1 race shall be completed to constitute a series. 2 of these events shall be beach games.
- 16.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.3 When from 5 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 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.

The Sign On period for each Class/Division will close at the scheduled warning signal time of the first race for that session on that day. Competitors who wish to sign on for subsequent races in that session must advise the Regatta Office.

The Sign Off period for each Class/Division will close 60 minutes after the last boat has completed the last race of the session.

Competitors shall personally Sign On and Sign Off for each session of the regatta as directed by the Registration Desk.

- 17.2 Failure to Sign On or Sign Off in accordance with SI 17.1 will result in that boat being scored DSQ in her first race on the day of the omission without a hearing. This changes A4 and A5.
- 17.3 Retiring yachts. Competitors that did not start or do not finish or have finished and wish to indicate retirement shall sign the declaration sheet provided within 30 minutes of the last boat coming ashore, indicating DNS or DNF.

18. EQUIPMENT MEASUREMENT AND REPLACEMENT

- 18.1 In the event of damage or breakage, equipment may only be substituted after a written request to the Race Committee is approved.
- 18.2 If damage occurs on the water, equipment may be substituted before the following race provided the damaged equipment is inspected and a written request is received before the end of protest time on that day.

19. RACE COMMITTEE BOATS

19.1 Race committee boats and patrol boats may display the RoYC Burgee.

20. ADVERTISING

20.1 The Organising Authority may require boats to display event sponsors advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20. If required, all boats shall affix a sticker as instructed at registration. All stickers will be available at registration.

21. SUPPORT BOATS

- 21.1. All coaches and support personnel shall register with the club. Registration can be obtained by application to the RoYC representative on the day of registration.
- 21.2. All coaches and support personnel shall keep to leeward and more than 100 metres clear of any competitor or mark of the course between the preparatory signal and expiration of race time, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee. Failure to comply may result in protest of boats associated with the infringing vessel.
- 21.3 Team leaders, coaches, other support personnel and support boats shall not interfere with boats that are racing.
- 21.4 All support boats should be ready to comply with Rule 37. Violation of this Rule may result in any penalty that the race committee deems appropriate, including the disqualification of the skipper or skippers who are coached or supported by the offending coach or support boat from the regatta.

22. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

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.

23. PRIZES

23.1 All prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority. Class prizes determined by the size of each class fleet.

24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 24.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and responsibility. See rule 3, *Decision to Race*.
- 24.3 None of the Organising Authority, the regatta officials, volunteers and sponsors will accept any liability for material damage, or personal injury, or death sustained prior to, during, or after the regatta.

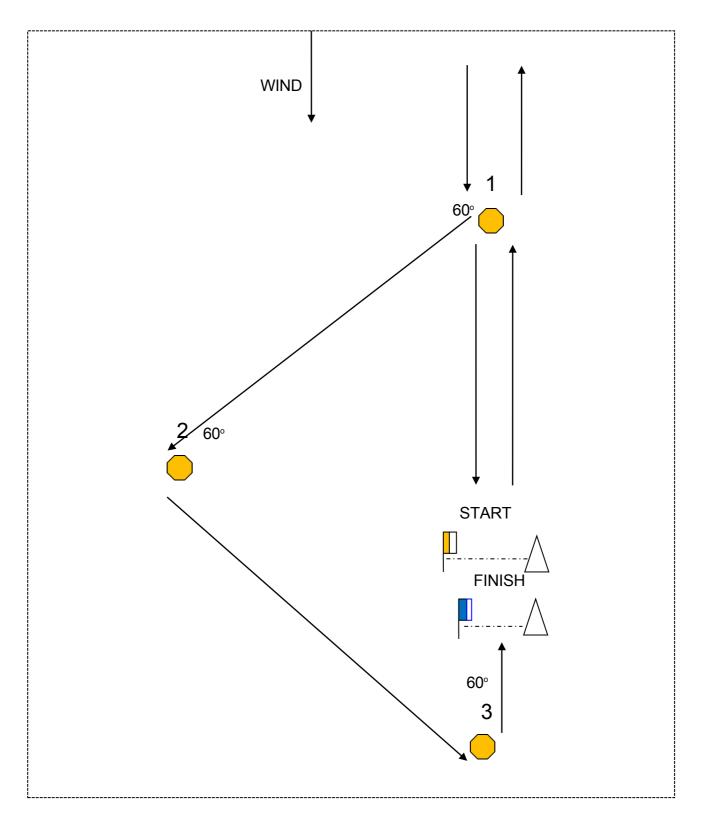
25. INSURANCE

25.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$10,000,000 (or equivalent) per event. Evidence of this valid third party liability insurance shall be produced at registration.

Attachment A

Course Diagram

This diagram shows the relative positions of the marks of the course, but the distances between them are not necessarily to scale.



Courses (OPEN Division)

- 1 Start 1, 3, 1, 3, Finish
- 2 Start 1, 3, 1, 2, 3, Finish
- 3 Start 1, 2, 3, 1, 3, Finish
- 4 Start 1, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, Finish
- 5 Start Hovell Pile, Finish

Courses (NOVICE Division)

- 1 Start 1, 3, Finish
- 2 Start 1, 3, Finish
- 3 Start 1, 2, 3, Finish
- 4 Start 1, 3, 1, Finish
- 5 Start Hovell Pile, Finish