



Keppel Bay Sailing Club  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS – 2017 / 2018 SEASON**



## 1. RULES

1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.1 (SP) Australian Sailing Special Regulation Part 2 Off the Beach Boats, Section 5.01 Personal Flotation Devices will apply. It is the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that the personal flotation devices comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in the regulations.

## 2 ENTRIES

2.1 Eligible boats may be entered by completing the on line registration at [kbsc.com.au/events/club-racing/](http://kbsc.com.au/events/club-racing/) and paying the annual race fees to the Keppel Bay Sailing Club.

2.2 Each participant, their parents, family member, coach or other associated persons shall abide by the Keppel Bay Sailing Club code of conduct at all times whilst competing, training or using club facilities.

2.3 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000AUD per incident or the equivalent. Insurance details shall be supplied upon registration

2.4 Once entered into a Series, a boat/skipper must sail the same configuration i.e. number of crew, with or without spinnaker, for the duration of the Series (crew members may change).

2.5 Requests to use replacement equipment or change of boat shall be made by filling out the appropriate form and presenting it to the Officer of the Day. Approval to use replacement equipment/boat shall be obtained at least one hour before the Warning Signal of the race in which such equipment/boat is to be used.

2.6 Entries will be accepted in the following divisions for the **Club Championship Series**, all **Club Handicap Series**, and **Opening of the Season Regatta**.

**Division 1** – Monohulls

**Division 2** - Catamarans

**Division 3** – Intermediates – Australian Sailing Yardstick >120

Boats with Australian Sailing Yardstick <120 may choose to sail in this division if they wish to sail at an intermediate level. However, if they choose to do so, they will not be permitted to carry a spinnaker.

**Division 4** – Juniors- Optimists, sabots and open Bics

2.7 Entries will be accepted in the following divisions for the **Winter Series** and the **Ocean Races**.

**Division 1-** Monohulls, Catamarans

**Division 3** – Intermediates – Australian Sailing Yardstick >120

Boats with Australian Sailing Yardstick <120 may choose to sail in this division if they wish to sail at an intermediate level. However, if they choose to do so, they will not be permitted to carry a kite.

**Division 4-** Juniors- Optimists, sabots and open Bics

### 2.8 Division 5- Green Fleet

Green Fleet Racing will be conducted on Sunday mornings and separate Sailing instructions will be issued

### 3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located on the wall in the Clubhouse's ground floor training room.

### 4 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted a minimum of 1 hour prior to the race that it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 4pm on the previous sailing day before it will take effect.

### 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official Club flag staff at the south eastern corner of the clubhouse.

5.2 Flag AP with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means 'The race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered.'

### 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Races are scheduled as per the Sailing Calendar on the Club's official notice board and online at <http://kbsc.com.au/events/club-racing/>

### 7 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Division</i>	<i>Flag</i>
Senior Monos	1	Pendant 1
Catamarans	2	Pendant 2
Intermediates	3	Pendant 3
Juniors	4	TBA*
Green Fleet	5	TBA*

\*There will be a competition to design a Junior Class Flag for 2017/18 season. Once the winner has been announced a notice to competitors shall be posted.

### 8 RACING AREA

The racing area will be as shown in Illustration A, attached.



## 9 THE COURSE

9.1 At least one hour prior to the scheduled start time the course to be sailed will be displayed on the course boards near the regatta office. The information will include a diagram of the course, the starting order, the course for each division and a description of the marks.

9.2 Club Championship Series races shall be sailed on either a Triangular or Windward Leeward course.

## 10 MARKS

The marks will be described on the course notice boards.

## 11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started using rule 26, with classes starting at 5 minute intervals (unless otherwise stated).

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark (unless otherwise stated).

11.3 A separate start line for short courses may be defined by the P.R.O. Any such change will be defined on the course notice boards located outside the regatta office.

11.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal shall be recorded DNS.

11.5 Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose preparatory signal has been made.

## 12 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

A change of course after the start will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not then be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

## 13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be either

- A) between the tower at the southern end of the roof of the Sailing Club and a spar buoy
- B) a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the near-by rounding mark.
- C) or as advised by the PRO on the day.

Whichever, will be described on the course notice boards.



## 14 TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 2 hours for all divisions. A boat failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat of its division finishes, or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rule 35 and A4.1.

## 15 PROTESTS

15.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the race office and delivered there within 60 minutes after the time of the last boat's finish of the last race of the day.

15.2 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

15.3 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses.

## 16 SCORING

### Opening of the Season Regatta

16.1 The low point scoring system A4 will apply to Opening Of the Season Invitation Races and to the Opening of the Season Regatta Series. All races to be counted in the series scores.

16.2 Both the Opening of the season Invitation Races and the Opening of the Season Regatta Series shall be scored using the Australian Sailing yardstick system.

### Club Championship Series:

16.13 The low point scoring system A4 will apply to Club Championship Series. Where it is not possible to complete the scheduled 10 races, the three worst results shall be dropped providing there is 9 or more heats completed. If there have been between 7 and 8 races completed, the worst two results shall be dropped. If there have been between 5 and 6 races completed, the worst result shall be dropped. Four races are required to constitute a Series.

16.14 The Club Championship Series shall be scored using the Australian Sailing yardstick system.

16.15 The Sailing Committee may adjust the Australian Sailing yardsticks of any class. If the Sailing Committee adjusts any classes Australian Sailing yardstick, they will display the adjusted handicap on the official notice-board prior to the commencement of any Series for which the adjusted yardstick will be used.

16.16 Competitors who join the Series after one or more races have been run will be awarded a "Late Entrant" score for each earlier race. The "Late Entrant" score will be the DNC score for the first (non abandoned) race run after the competitor joins the Series. Previously allocated DNC scores will not be altered.



**Club Handicap Series:**

16.17 The low point scoring system A4 will apply to Club Handicap Series. Where it is not possible to complete the scheduled races, the 2 worst results shall be dropped providing there is 4 or more heats completed. If there have been 3 races completed, the worst results shall be dropped.

16.18 All Club Handicap Series Races will be conducted using performance based handicaps.

16.19 Competitors who join a Series after one or more races have been run will be awarded a "Late Entrant" score for each earlier race. The "Late Entrant" score will be the DNC score for the first (non abandoned) race run after the competitor joins the Series. Previously allocated DNC scores will not be altered.

**Ocean Races**

16.20 The Ocean Races will be conducted using an Off The Beach Handicap Start. The handicaps will be displayed on the Official Notice board a minimum of 1 hour prior to the start for the first boat. The winner will be the first boat to complete the designated course.

**Winter Series**

16.21 The low point scoring system A4 will apply to Winter Series. Where it is not possible to complete the scheduled races the worst results shall be dropped providing there is 4 or more Heats completed.

16.22 The Winter series Races will be conducted using the Australian Sailing Handicap system.

16.23 Competitors who join a Series after one or more races have been run will be awarded a "Late Entrant" score for each earlier race. The "Late Entrant" score will be the DNC score for the first (non abandoned) race run after the competitor joins the Series. Previously allocated DNC scores will not be altered.

**17 SUPPORT BOATS**

Competitors are permitted to receive coaching whilst racing from the Club Coach and or personnel on the race committee vessels in order to develop the sailing and racing skills of all competitors.

**18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

18.1 Each boat shall sign on no later than 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled race of the day and shall sign off within the protest time limit. Boats which fail to sign on and/or sign off may be declared DNS (Did Not Start).

18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall, if practical, notify a race committee vessel before leaving the course area, **AND** sign off immediately on return to shore.



## 19 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing, nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

## 20 PRIZES

### 20.1 Prizes will be awarded for:

- Club Championship
- Opening of the Season Regatta
- Spring Handicap Series
- Summer Handicap Series
- Season's End Handicap Series
- Winter Series

Other prizes may be awarded throughout the season or at KBSC presentation night

### 20.2 Prizes will be awarded to:

- First place in each division in each series;
- Second place will be awarded if there are greater than 3 boats racing in the division; and
- Third place will be awarded if there are 4 boats or more racing per division.

Prize winners in the above section must have sailed at least 50% of the races in the series. The value of prizes will be as determined by the Sailing Committee



Illustration A (RACING AREA)

