



# SAIL BELLARINE 2024

## **Sailing Instructions**

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Organising Authority  
Indented Head Yacht Club

In conjunction with  
McCrae Yacht Club  
Portarlington Sailing Club  
St Leonards Yacht Club & Motor Squadron

[NP] Means a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

[DP] Means a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee

## 1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024* (RSS) applicable from 1 January 2021.

1.2 Arbitration will be conducted in accordance with Appendix T of the RRS.

1.3 Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 Off the Beach Boats shall apply.

## 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Sailor App as the official notice board.

## 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least 90 minutes before the scheduled start 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 1830hrs on the day before it will take effect.

## 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club flagstaff.

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

Day	Time	Event
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	0930 hrs to 1145 hrs	Registration
	1145 hrs	Briefing
	1300 hrs	Racing – Session 1
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	1030 hrs	Racing – Session 2

5.2 Code flag "L" will be flown on the finish boat to indicate that another race will be started following completion of the current race.

5.3 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.

5.4 No warning signals will be made after 1400 hrs on Sunday 5th May 2024.

5.5 A maximum of 5 races shall be sailed.

## 6 DIVISIONS & DIVISIONAL FLAGS

### 6.1 Division Allocation

Division 1 (Opti Class Flag)	– International Optimist
Division 2 (Tasar Class Flag)	– Tasar
Division 3 (RS Aero 6 Class Flag)	– RS Aero 7, RS Aero 6
Division 4 (OK Dinghy Class Flag)	– OK Dinghy
Division 5 (Sabre Class Flag)	– Sabre
Division 6 (White flag with ILCA symbol)	– ILCA 7
Division 7 (Green flag with ILCA symbol)	– ILCA 6
Division 8 (Yellow flag with ILCA symbol)	– ILCA 4

## 7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area shall be on the waters of Port Phillip in the vicinity of the Indented Head Yacht Club.

## 8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagram in Appendix “A” shows the course, including the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 Legs of the courses shall not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes rule 33.

## 9 MARK ROUNDINGS (TBC)

Division 1 (Opti) – Start – 5, 3S/3P, 5, 6, 3S/3P – Finish
Division 2 (Tasar) – Start – 4, 3S/3P, 4, 2, 3S/3P – Finish
Division 3 (RS Aero) – Start – 4, 3S/3P, 4, 2, 3S/3P – Finish
Division 4 (OK Dinghy) – Start – 4, 3S/3P, 4, 2, 3S/3P – Finish
Division 5 (Sabre) – Start – 1, 3S/3P, 1, 2, 3S/3P – Finish
Division 6 (ILCA7) – Start – 4, 3S/3P, 4, 2, 3S/3P – Finish
Division 7 (ILCA6) – Start – 4, 3S/3P, 4, 2, 3S/3P – Finish
Division 8 (ILCA4) – Start – 1, 3S/3P, 1, 2, 3S/3P – Finish

## 10 MARKS

Marks 3S/3P, 1 and 2 will be pink conical inflatable buoys

Mark 4 will be a yellow conical inflatable buoy

Marks 5 and 6 will be yellow cylindrical inflatable buoys

Mark A will be a pole with an orange flag

Mark B will be a blue sphere

Start Line crowding buoy will be an orange buoy.

## 11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started as follows:

Signal	Flag and Sound	Minutes
Warning	Division flag; 1 sound	3
Preparatory	P, U, I, Z or black flag; 1 sound	2
One Minute	Preparatory flag removed; 1 long sound	1
Start	Division flag removed; 1 sound	0

This changes Rule 26.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee starting vessel at the starboard end of the line and Mark A at the port end.

11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

11.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

11.5 Rule 29.2 is amended to state that the warning signal for the first recalled Division may be displayed at the start of the last Division, except when there are no other divisions to start. The warning signal of subsequently recalled Divisions may be displayed at the start of the preceding recalled Division.

## 12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee finishing vessel and Mark B.

## 13 TIME LIMIT

13.1 The time limit for the first boat to complete the course in each Division is 90 minutes.

13.2 [NP] Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

13.3 The Race Officer may allocate a finish place and time for a boat(s) at his or her discretion and direct such boat to return to the starting area.

## 14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Protest forms are available at the race office, located on the upper deck. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

14.2 For each Division, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

14.3 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 rear of the race control tower, beginning at the time posted.

14.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

14.5 Breaches of instructions 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 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. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under these instructions will be DPI.

14.6 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; and/or
- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

14.7 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.

## 15 SCORING

15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

- (a) When fewer than four races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.
- (b) When four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 16 [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 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.

16.2 The Sign On period for each 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.

16.3 The Sign Off period for each Division will close 60 minutes after the last boat has completed the last race of the session or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

16.4 Each skipper shall Sign On and Sign Off using the relevant function within the Sailor app. Traditional hardcopy pen/paper is not available. Sailors can also seek assistance at the clubhouse for sign-on/sign-off.

16.5 A boat's regatta registration will NOT constitute Sign On.

16.6 Failure to Sign On, Sign Off in accordance with SI 16.1 will result in that boat receiving a 5 point penalty without a hearing. However, no boat shall be scored worse than DSQ. For boats failing to sign on, this penalty will be applied to the first race of the session. For boats failing to sign off, this penalty will be applied to the last race of the session. If there is only one race in a session, a boat will not receive cumulative penalties. This changes RRS rules A4 and A5

## **17 [NP] REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

17.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

17.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the race committee in writing at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

[NP] A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **19 SUPPORT BOATS**

[NP] [DP] Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first Division to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment.

All support boats shall be equipped with a VHF marine radio and shall monitor channel 73. All support boats acknowledge that they shall assist the Race Committee when directed to do so pursuant to RRS 37 "Search and Rescue Instructions".

## **20 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

[NP] [DP] 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.

## **21 PRIZES**

21.1 Medals will be awarded to the winner and 2nd and 3rd placegetters in each Division depending on the number of entries.

21.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

## **22 EVENT ADVERTISING**

22.1 If required, boats shall display event advertising supplied by the event sponsor such that the event advertising stickers are located on outer starboard and port sides of the hulls within 25% their lengths (approx. 1.35 meters) from the foremost point of the hulls

22.2 Such advertising stickers shall remain in place for the duration of the regatta.

## Appendix A

