

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
BUNDABERG SAILING CLUB REGATTA
18th and 19th March 2022

1. **RULES.** The regatta will be governed by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2017-20) except as changed by these sailing instructions, the prescriptions of SAILING AUSTRALIA (SA), and the Rules of the respective Class Associations.

2. **RESPONSIBILITY.**

2.1 The Club will provide certain safety crafts.

2.2 However, all boats taking part do so at their own risk. As prescribed in the current RACING RULES OF SAILING FUNDAMENTAL RULES – 4. DECISION TO RACE
“A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing”.

2.3 The Club is not responsible for the seaworthiness of any boat and reserves the right to refuse entry.

2.4 Skippers are required to sign on and sign off for each sailing session.

3. **SAFETY EQUIPMENT.**

3.1 For Dinghy and Catamaran and classes without jackstays or lifeline system approved buoyancy vests WILL be worn at all times whilst sailing.

3.2 Boats and Trailer-Sailors must comply with the current Safety Regulations CAT 5.

4. **NOMINATIONS FEES.** Nomination fees (where applicable) shall be paid prior to the first race.

Saturday 5 th and Sunday 6 th March (two days)	\$ 50.00
One day only	\$ 25.00
Juniors	\$ 20.00

5. **RACE ENTRY.**

5.1 Either payment of nomination fees or notification to the race starter shall deem a boat a starter.

5.2 All boats retiring are required to notify the race starter/finisher of their withdrawal from the race.

6. **DIVISIONS AND SCHEDULE**

Nominations	Saturday 5 th March	900 to 1030 hours	
Briefing	Saturday 5 th March	1000 hours	Session start time 1100 hours
Briefing	Sunday 6 th March	900 hours	Session start time 1000 hours

Entries will be divided into the following divisions:

		Class Flag
Division 1	VYC <= 83.5	NUMERAL 3
Division 2	VYC >= 83.5 to <= 98.5	NUMERAL 1
Division 3	VYC >= 98.5	NUMERAL 4
Division 4	Yachts and trailer sailors	NUMERAL 2
Division 5	Juniors	

7. **SCORING.** Scoring will be a Low Point System as prescribed in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

8. **COURSES.** As per Sailing Instructions and/or as per briefing.

9. **STARTING PROCEDURE** As advised by the Sailing Committee in the briefing.

10. **SIGNALS**

10.1 Signals will be visual and will be made with flags and pennants.

10.2 Signals may be accompanied by sound signals.

11. **POSTPONEMENT** The Sailing Committee may postpone the start of any race by displaying the answering pennant (red and white striped pennant) with 2 sound signals.

A warning signal will be made One (1) minute after the signal has been lowered.

12. **TIME LIMIT**. The time limit will be 2 hours. Boats finishing more than thirty (30) minutes after the first boat finishes or after the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored "**DID NOT FINISH**".

13. **SHORTENED COURSE** Should the course require to be shortened, code flag S (blue square on white background) will be flown on or near a mark of the course. On rounding this mark, all yachts shall proceed directly to the finishing line and pass through the finishing line in the same directions as the course for the race.

14. **FINISHING LINE**. As advised by the Sailing Committee in the briefing.

15. **PROTESTS**.

15.1 A written Notice of Protest shall be as prescribed in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.

A fee of \$5.00 for juniors and \$20.00 for seniors shall accompany each protest.

(This fee is refundable should the protest be upheld).

15.2 The protest form is to be in the hands of a Sailing Committee member no later than 30 minutes after the finish of the protesting boat.

16. **CHANGE OF SKIPPER OR CREW**. The replacement skipper/crew must advise a Race Official of the change, one (1) hour prior to the race of the change.

(This instruction may be waived at the Sailing Committee's discretion)

17. **INSURANCE** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance, with a minimum cover of \$5M.

18. **ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES**. Penalties shall apply for infringement of the racing rules as prescribed in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.

Rule 44.2 is changed so that the 720 turns is replaced with a 360-degree turn.

19. **ALTERATIONS TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**. Code flag L will be displayed and alteration will be posted on the notice board one hour before the race and will apply to all races in the program. Alterations to the sailing program (dates of events) will be posted on the notice board one (1) week prior to the event.

20. **NOTICE BOARD**. The notice board is inside the club's main door.

21. **DISCLAIMER** The Bundaberg Sailing Club Inc. and the Club's committee, members, employees, volunteers, representatives and agents, the event holders, event sponsors, event directors, and event volunteers accept no responsibility or liability for any death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft or actions of any kind which may hereafter accrue to any person or property, whether ashore or afloat, as a consequence of participation in this regatta or otherwise.