

# Yoti 2017 SYDNEY 38 OD INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

In conjunction with the  
11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
SYDNEY HARBOUR REGATTA 2017  
&  
The 2017 Sydney Yachts Regatta

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



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## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017 – 2020 World Sailing (WS) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 1, Category 4 (including NSW RMS requirements ,the Sydney 38 One Design Class Rules, except as any of these are changed by the Notice of Race (NOR) and these Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 RRS 44.2 is amended in that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required except for infringements that occur within three boat lengths of a rounding mark.
- 1.3 RRS 51 is amended by addition of the following sentence. "The maximum amount of drinkable liquid aboard each boat shall not exceed 2 lts/ per person."
- 1.4 Sydney 38 One Design Class (Sydney 38 OD) Competitors shall nominate what sails are to be carried for the regatta on their sail declaration form. All of these sails must be carried in all races. Request for substitution of sails, due to major damage shall be made in writing to the Race Committee.
- 1.5 Sydney 38 OD entrants shall display the Sydney 38 OD battle flag whilst berthed at RPAYC for the duration of the regatta.
- 1.6 The Race Committee may inspect any boat at any time for Special Regulation and Class rule compliance. Any alleged breaches may be protested by the race committee only.

## 2. REGISTRATION AND WEIGH-IN

- 2.1 Registration and Sydney 38 OD Crew Weigh-in will take place from 1400 to 1900hrs on Thursday 2nd March 2017 & 0800 to 0900 Friday 4th at The Middle Harbour Yacht Club (MHYC) or at the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia from 1400 to 1900hrs on Thursday 2nd March 2017.
- 2.2 A skippers briefing will be held at 0900 on Friday 3 March 2017 at MHYC..

## 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices will be posted on the Official notice board located at MHYC.
- 3.2 VHF channel 72 shall be used as the Race Communications channel.
- 3.3 The Race Committee may broadcast race information before and during each race. Any such communication shall not be deemed as outside help. This alters RRS 41.

## 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the marina tower flag mast.
- 4.2 Code flag "AP" with two sound signals (one when lowered) when displayed ashore means "Races not started are postponed". The Warning Signal will not be made less than 60 minutes after the "AP" is lowered ashore. This Alters RRS Race Signals.

## 5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Changes to the sailing instructions made ashore will be posted before 0930 on the day they shall take effect.
- 5.2 Changes to the Sailing Instructions made afloat will be indicated by the display of Code Flag L accompanied by ONE sound signal. The change may be communicated either orally or in writing.

## 6. SCHEDULE OF RACING

- 6.1 The regatta will consist of a maximum of nine (9) windward/leeward races.
- 6.2 The last time for a warning signal on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> will be 1500 hrs.
- 6.3 Schedule of Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
Mon 20 Feb 2017	Entries Close	Event Website <a href="http://www.shr.mhyc.com.au">www.shr.mhyc.com.au</a>	2400hrs
Fri 24 Feb 2016	'Late' Entries Close	Event Website <a href="http://www.shr.mhyc.com.au">www.shr.mhyc.com.au</a>	2400hrs

Fri 24 Feb 2016	Submission of documentation closes	Sailing Office MHYC	1800hrs
Tue 28 Feb 2017	Sailing Instructions published	Event Website <a href="http://www.shr.mhyc.com.au">www.shr.mhyc.com.au</a>	1800hrs
Tue 28 Feb 2017	Final List of Entries published	Event Website <a href="http://www.shr.mhyc.com.au">www.shr.mhyc.com.au</a>	1800hrs
Thurs 2 Mar 2017	Crew Weigh-in	Shoreside MHYC & CYCA	1600hrs to 1900hrs
Fri 3 Mar 2017	Weigh-In and Skipper Briefing	Shoreside MHYC	0800 hrs to 0900 hrs
Fri 3 Mar 2017	Skipper Briefing	Shoreside MHYC	0900 hrs to 1000 hrs
Sun 5 Mar 2017	S38 OD International Championship Prize Giving	Shoreside MHYC	ASAP after Racing
Mon 06 Mar 2017	SHR Official Regatta Presentation	Shoreside at MHYC	1800hrs

## 7. RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area will be the waters of the Tasman Sea –Course area I2 as shown in Appendix VIII
- 7.2 In the event of adverse weather or sea conditions making offshore unsuitable for racing the race committee may move racing to Sydney Harbour, The race Committee will signal Code Flag 'L' and advise competitors on VHF
- 7.3 The Race Committee reserves the right to amend the location of the Course Area.

## 8. MARKS

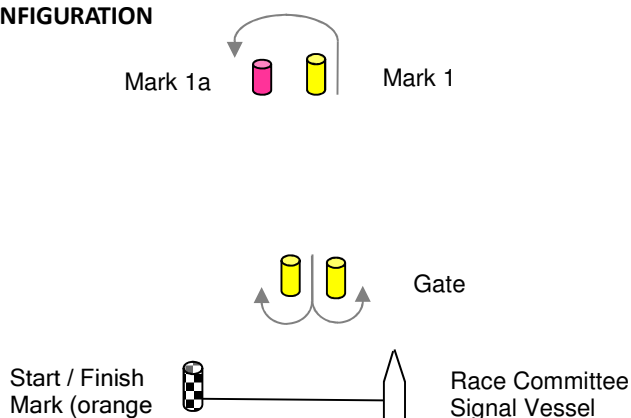
- 8.1 Mark 1 will be a **yellow** inflatable mark.
- 8.2 Mark 1a an offset mark, if laid, will be a **pink** inflatable mark.
- 8.3 Gate marks will be **yellow** inflatable marks.
- 8.4 The Start / Finish mark will be a **Orange** inflatable mark.
- 8.5 The change mark will be a **Orange** inflatable with black band mark.

[Is it intended to have a barging mark next to the committee boat?]

## 9. THE COURSE

- 9.1 The courses will be windward / leeward.
- 9.2 A board displaying the course and approximate compass bearing to Mark 1 will be displayed by the Race Committee Signal Vessel.
- 9.3 Mark 1 will be laid to windward of the start line.
- 9.4 Gate marks will be laid approximately 50m to windward of the starting line. (Note: Gate marks may be laid after the starting signal.
- 9.5 Boats shall sail between the Gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either Gate mark. If only one Gate mark is set, boats shall round the single mark to port.

## COURSE CONFIGURATION



All marks are rounded to Port

Course Signal	Course
1	Start – 1 - 1a – Finish
2	Start – 1 – 1a - Gate – 1 – 1a – Finish
3	Start – 1 – 1a – Gate – 1 – 1a – Gate – 1 – 1a – Finish

### 10. THE START

- 10.1 The Sydney 38 OD Class Flag will be Sydney 38 OD “Class Flag”.
- 10.2 The starting line shall be between an orange flag displayed on the Race Committee Signal Vessel at the starboard end and a chequered black and white inflatable mark at the port end.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored: Did Not Start (DNS) subject to the discretion of the Race Committee. This changes rules A4 and A5.

### 11. RECALLS

- 11.1 The Race Committee MAY call boats on VHF Channel 72.

### 12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a change mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. In the event that the position of Mark 1 is changed, Marks 1 will be replaced by a new ~~single~~ Mark 1 and boats will round the new Mark 1 to port and proceed directly to the Gate or to the Finishing Line, as appropriate. When, in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it shall be replaced by an original mark.

### 13. FINISH LINE

- 13.1 The finishing Line shall be between an orange flag displayed on the Race Committee Signal Vessel at the starboard end and a chequered black and white inflatable mark at the port end. The Start / Finish mark may be relocated closer to the Race Committee Signal Vessel after the start.

### 14. TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 The time limit for all races is 1.5 hours from the start, or within twenty five minutes of the first boat to finish, whichever is the earliest.
- 14.2 Boats still racing when her time limit expires will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus 30% of the number of starters rounded to the nearest whole number, but no more points than the number of starters. Such boats will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## **15. PROTESTS**

- 15.1 Protests in accordance with RRS 61 will be delivered to the MHYC Sailing Office within 90 minutes after the finish time of the last boat. (in the last race of the day when multiple races are conducted). Or 90 minutes after the Race Committee Vessel has signaled AP over H, AP over A, N over H or N over A.
- 15.2 Protests may be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible racing at RPAYC. Protest notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board at MHYC within 30 minutes of the end of 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. This notice fulfils the requirements of the RRS 61 to notify parties to a protest of the hearing time.
- 15.3 RRS 66 is changed by adding: "On the last day of racing, a party to the hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 20 minutes after being informed of the decision. If the party was informed of the decision on the previous day it shall ask for a reopening no later than the time limit for protests."
- 15.4 In accordance with RRS 64.1(a), for a breach of a rule of RRS Part 2, the Jury may award a disqualification or a time penalty. For all other rules the penalty shall be at the discretion of the Jury which may include no penalty.
- 15.5 Competitors are asked to advise the Race Committee if they intend to Protest ASAP.

## **16. ARBITRATION**

- 16.1 An arbitration hearing may be heard prior to a protest hearing if all parties agree. After the written protest form is submitted to the Sailing Office (refer SI15), one representative from each boat shall meet with the arbitrator, no witnesses will be allowed. Protests not resolved by arbitration will be lodged with the Protest Jury.
- 16.2 Boats that accept fault at an arbitration hearing shall be penalised by having her race score increased by a 20% scoring penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c) but not more than a DSQ. All other boats scores will remain the same. Once accepted by all parties, this decision is not subject to reopening or appeal and the protest shall be withdrawn. This alters RRS 60.1, 62 and 66.
- 16.3 The arbitrator may be a member of any subsequent Jury or Protest Committee.

## **17. SCORING**

- 17.1 The Sydney 38 One Design Class NSW Championship shall consist of a maximum of nine (9) races.
- 17.2 A minimum of three (3) completed races shall constitute a series.
- 17.3 A boats series score shall be the total of her race scores.

## **18. PRIZES AND TROPHIES**

- 18.1 Prizes will be awarded to each boat placing first, second and third in the regatta.
- 18.2 The Corinthian Trophy will be awarded to the highest placed boat sailing with no ISAF Classification 2 or 3 sailors on board.
- 18.3 Additional prizes may also be awarded.
- 18.4 Prizes will also be awarded daily to the boat of the day.

## **19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 19.1 All those taking part in the Regatta do so entirely at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to RRS 4 which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone" and AS Special Regulations 1.02.1 which states inter alia that : "The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the person in charge..."
- 19.2 It is the competitor's decision to enter to start a race and continue in any race. (RRS4 – Decision to Race).
- 19.3 Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Regatta is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry in a series, competitors must indemnify the Organising Authority, and the Host Club, their Officers, Members, Staff and Agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Event.
- 19.4 The Organising Authority, and its Officers, Members, Staff and Agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the series or howsoever arising in connection with the series.

**20 INSURANCE**

- 20.1 All boats shall have a current marine Public Liability and Third Party Property insurance policy stating the name of the boat with a minimum racing cover of AUD\$10 million or equivalent thereof for any incident.

**21 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 21.1 The Regatta Office will be situated at:

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- 21.2 The Official Regatta Notice Board will be located on the outside Sailing Office.

- 21.3 The Sydney 38 Class Association  
contact details are: Association  
Administrator

Joanne Beashel

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