



South of Perth Yacht Club
(Organising Authority)

Off the Beach 2024 Winter Invitational Series


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1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in:
- a) The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
 - b) The Prescriptions of Australian Sailing (AS) including the Special Regulations Part 2 for Off The Beach Boats (OTB).
 - c) The Class Rules where applicable.
 - d) The SoPYC Notice of Race (NoR) 2023/24
 - e) These Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSIs) which replace the SoPYC OTB Sailing Instructions in its entirety.
 - f) The SoPYC Performance Handicapping Rules (PHS) where applicable.
 - g) Appendix T – Arbitration shall apply.
- 1.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 2 hours before the scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notice to competitors (**NTC**) will be posted on the official notice board located on the wall of the Centreboard Clubhouse.
- 3.2 The race office is the On Water Group (**OWG**) located in the main clubhouse.
- 3.3 While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast on the Centreboard Clubhouse west lawn.
- 5.2 Signals made at the Start Box are deemed to be made afloat.
- 5.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than **30 minutes**' in Race Signals AP.









6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Date - 2023	1 st Warning
Sunday 19 May	1300
Sunday 9 Jun	1300
Sunday 23 Jun	1300
Sunday 21 Jul	1300
Sunday 11 Aug	1300
Sunday 25 Aug	1300

- 6.1 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 one minute before a warning signal is made.
- 6.2 No warning signal will be made after 1630.

7. CLASSES & FLAGS

7.1 The class flags will be as follows:

CLASSES			
Optimist		Viper640	
O'pen Skiff		Windsurfer LT	
Flying Fifteen		ILCA (combined)	

7.2 Optimist & O'pen Skiff shall start together and may receive separate/combined results based on participation levels at any time prior to the start of race day 3 (23rd June).

7.3 ILCA fleets shall be a combined fleet.

8. RACING AREA

The racing area includes Canning River (CR) and Melville Water East (MWE).

9. COURSES AND MARKS

9.1 Will be as detailed in 'Attachment 1' as part of these SSI's.

9.2 An **orange/blue** flag displayed on the Race Committee (RC) vessel will identify that the line is in use and a boat shall not pass in either direction through it except between its warning signal and starting, when finishing, or when using the mark of the line as a rounding mark.

[NP][SCP]

10. THE START

10.1 Races will be started as follows. This changes RRS26.

Minutes before Starting Signal	Visual Signal	Sound Signal	Meaning
3	Class flag	One	Warning signal
2	P, U or Black flag	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute to start signal
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

10.2 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat at the starboard end and a black and white checkered inflatable buoy at the port end.

10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. **[DP]**

10.4 A boat that does not start within 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (**DNS**) without a hearing. This changes RRSA5.

10.5 The default start order is as per SSI6 and may be adjusted by the RC to suit the event.

10.6 The warning signal for the 2nd and 3rd races of the day will not be made within the 3-minute window of the last boat finishing in the previous race.

10.7 **General Recall:** When a General Recall is signaled, the warning signal for a new start for the first recalled fleet will be made at the starting signal of the last fleet in the original sequence. New starts for other recalled fleets will follow in the order thereafter. A General Recall signal will be displayed for one minute. This changes RRS 29.2 and race signal, 'First Substitute'.



11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.

11.2 When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original  mark.

12. THE FINISH

The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC boat and an inflatable buoy.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 13.2 Appendix T – Arbitration shall apply.
- 13.3 **[DP]** Discretionary Penalty – the penalty for a breach of this rule may at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.
- 13.4 **[NP]** Breaches of the SI's marked [NP] will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).
- 13.5 **[SCP]** Scoring Penalty – for some specific breaches of the rules, the RC may apply a scoring penalty [SCP] without a hearing. The RC may still protest a boat when they consider the SCP inappropriate. The scoring penalty is 2 points. This changes RRS 63.1 and Appendix A5.

14. TIME LIMIT AND TARGET TIMES

- 14.1 Time limits shall apply to each class in accordance with the table below:

Fleet	Time Limit for first boat	Target Time	Finish Window
F15, Viper640, ILCA Windsurfer LT	45 minutes	35 minutes	10 minutes
O'pen Skiff, Optimist,	35 minutes	25 minutes	10 minutes

- 14.2 If no boat sails the course and finishes within the Time Limit for the first boat, then the race will be abandoned.
- 14.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized, or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (**TLE**) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS35, A5.1, A5.2 & A10.
- 14.4 Failure to meet the Target Times will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS62.1(a).

15. PROTEST HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 The protest time limit is one hour after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the RC signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.2 Protest hearing request forms are available from OWG.

16. SCORING – refer NoR 12

- 16.2 This series is PHS handicap results only.
- 16.3 Handicaps for non-SoPYC entries will be supplied by the OA prior to the result of their first race.

17. SIGN ON

- 17.1 All boats shall complete a "Sign On/Off" via TopYacht via event webpage or via a manual paper sign on/off sheet at the Centreboard Clubhouse.
- 17.2 "Sign/On" will be available **at least 1 hour before the warning signal**.
- 17.3 Boats that fail to "Sign On/Off" shall receive a **[SCP]** without a hearing for each breach.
- 17.4 Boats coming to the starting area from another club, by water, shall also complete "Sign On/Off" ashore.
- 17.5 Retirement from a race – A boat that retires shall notify a RC boat and complete the "Sign Off" immediately upon returning to shore.

18 SUPPORT/COACH BOATS [DP][NP] – Refer NoR 13

19 PRIZES – Refer NoR 17

20 RISK STATEMENT – Refer NoR 15

21 INSURANCE - Refer NoR 16

22 Media – Refer NoR 19

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Marks	
1.35m Conical	1a, 1b, 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, 3b, 3c, 4
1.0m Witches Hat	1d, 3d, 5

Windward / Leeward / Triangular Courses

NOT TO SCALE

All Marks rounded to port unless otherwise specified.

Class	Signal	Course	Short Code
Flying15	1	Start - 1b - 5 - 3b - Finish	
Flying15	2	Start - 1b - 5 - 2b - 3b - 1b - 5 - 3b - Finish	
Flying15	3	Start - 1b - 5 - 2b - 3b - 1b - 5 - 3b - 1b - 5 - 3b - Finish	
Viper640	1	Start - 1a - 3a - Finish	
Viper640	2	Start - 1a - 3a - 1a - 3a - Finish	
Viper640	3	Start - 1a - 3a - 1a - 3a - 1a - 3a - Finish	
Opti / O'Skiff / Pelican	1	Start - 1d - 3d - Finish	
Opti / O'Skiff / Pelican	2	Start - 1d - 4 - 1d - 3d - Finish	
Opti / O'Skiff / Pelican	3	Start - 1d - 4 - 1d - 4 - 1d - 3d - Finish	
ILCA	1	Start - 1c - 3c - Finish	
ILCA	2	Start - 1c - 4 - 1c - 3c - Finish	
ILCA	3	Start - 1c - 4 - 1c - 3c - 1c - 3c - Finish	
Windsurfer LT	1	Start - 1c - 2a - 3c - Finish	
Windsurfer LT	2	Start - 1c - 2a - 3c - 1c - 3c - Finish	
Windsurfer LT	3	Start - 1c - 2a - 3c - 1c - 3c - 1c - 3c - Finish	