



South of Perth Yacht Club
FLYING FIFTEEN
20th ANNIVERSARY REGATTA
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



75
YEARS
1945 ~ 2020

27 & 28 February 2021

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the International Jury, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the following rules:
- Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS),
 - Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 2 for off the Beach Boats,
 - Class rules of the Flying Fifteen International,
- 1.2 Racing Rules will be changed as follows:
- RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, shall apply.
 - RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two-turns penalty is replaced by the one-turn penalty,
 - RRS 60.1(a) is changed so that NP denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat,

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notice to competitors (NTC) will be posted on the official noticeboard located on the west wall of the Centreboard Clubhouse and on the event webpage:

<https://sopyc.com.au/flying-fifteen-20th-anniversary-regatta/>

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions (SIs) will be posted before 0900 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.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast on the Centreboard Clubhouse west lawn.
- 4.2 When flag 'AP' is displayed, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Day	Date	Time	Event	Races
Thursday	25 February 2021	1600	Close of entries	
Saturday	27 February 2021	1325	1 st warning signal	3 back to back
Sunday	28 February 2021	1325	1 st warning signal	3 back to back
		1800	Presentations	

- 5.1 This regatta will consist of up to 6 races held back to back.
- 5.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1630.
- 5.3 Presentations to be held in the SoPYC Quarterdeck following completion of racing.

6. CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the red Flying Fifteen insignia on a white background.



7. RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of the racing areas.

8. THE COURSES

8.1 The diagram in Attachment B shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 The course to be sailed will be designated by an international numeral pennant corresponding to that course number, displayed below the class flag.

9. MARKS

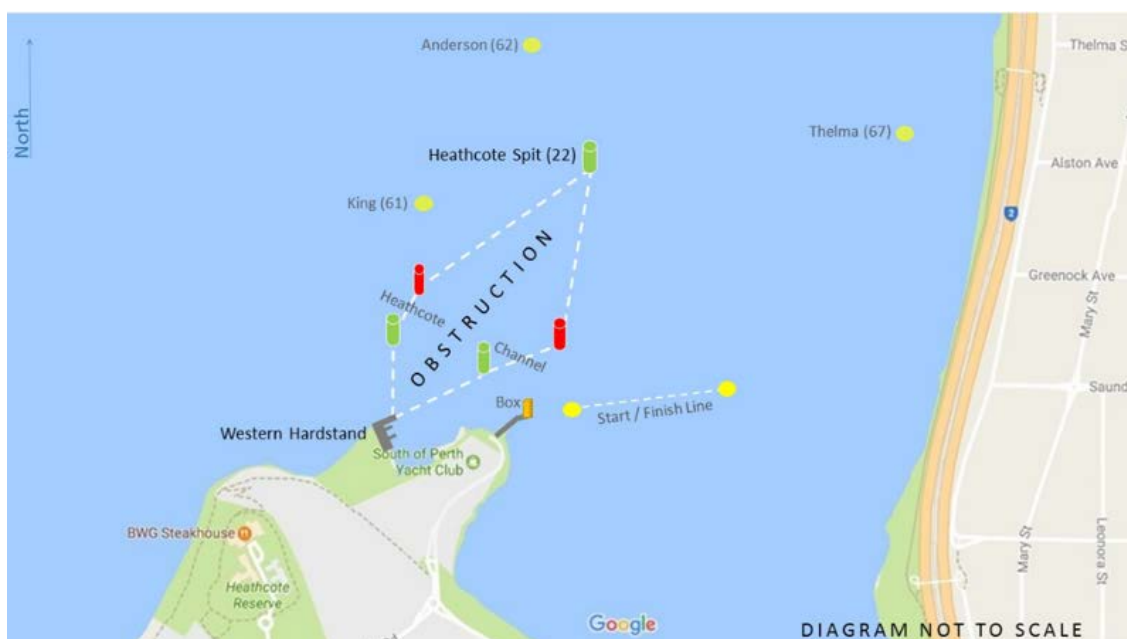
Marks	Description	Colour
Mark 1	Inflatable conical buoy	Pink
Mark 1a	Inflatable cylindrical buoy	Red
Mark 2	Inflatable conical buoy	Pink
Mark 3	Inflatable conical buoy	Pink

9.1 The starting and finishing mark will be a black and white chequered inflatable mark.

9.2 A race committee vessel signalling a change of leg of the course is a mark provided in SI 12. The new mark will be an orange inflatable conical buoy.

10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following area is designated as an obstruction:



Western Hardstand to Heathcote Spit (22) Obstruction

11. THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 amended as follows:

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

11.2 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and a black & white chequered inflatable buoy 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. [NP][SCP]

11.4 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 RRS A5.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and a black & white inflatable buoy.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14.2 Appendix T – Arbitration shall apply.

14.3 [DP] Discretionary Penalty – the penalty for a breach of this rule may at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

14.4 [SCP] Scoring Penalty – for some specific breaches of the rules, the Race Committee (RC) may apply a scoring penalty [SCP] without a hearing. The Race Committee may still protest a boat when they considered the SCP inappropriate. A boat may request redress when they believe the application of the SCP improper. The standard penalty is 20% of the number of boats that started, but not worse than disqualification. This changes RRS 63.1 & Appendix A5.

14.5 [NP] Breaches of the SI's marked [NP] will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

15. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

Target Time	Time Limit for 1 st Boat	Additional Time
30-35 mins	60 mins	10 mins

- 15.1 If no boat sails the course and finishes within the Time Limit for the first boat, then the race will be abandoned.
- 15.2 When the Additional Time Limit is applicable, boats failing to finish within the additional time after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35 & A5.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available inside the Centreboard Clubhouse and outside the On Water Group office in the main clubhouse foyer. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the On Water Group office within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit (PTL) is one hour after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the PTL to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the On Water Group Meeting Room at the time posted.

17. SCORING

Refer NoR


18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 "Sign On/Off" – A boat shall complete the "Sign On/Off" electronically via the link below:

<https://topyacht.com.au/tyow/448>

- 18.2 "Sign On/Off" will also be accessible via computers inside the Centreboard Clubhouse.
- 18.3 "Sign/On" will be available at least 1 hour before the warning signal. Boats that fail to "Sign On or Off" shall receive a [SCP] without a hearing for each breach.
- 18.4 In the event of a failure of the electronic Sign On/Off, a paper replacement will be available from the Centreboard Clubhouse.
- 18.5 Retirement from a race – A boat that retires shall notify a Race Committee boat and complete the "Sign Off" immediately upon returning to shore.

19. OFFICIAL BOATS

All official boats will display the words 'Safety' and images of SoPYC burgee. 

20. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Radio communications shall be in accordance with the Flying 15 Class Rules 14.5

21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn to RRS 3 "Decision to Race" which states "the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

- 21.2 SoPYC is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 21.3 SoPYC as the Organising Authority, its associates and appointees will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

22. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall have a valid insurance certificate with a third-party liability coverage of at least \$10,000,000 (or equivalent) per incident and shall be made available upon request.

23. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in the regatta, a competitor automatically grants to the organisers and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.

24. FURTHER INFORMATION

On Water Group

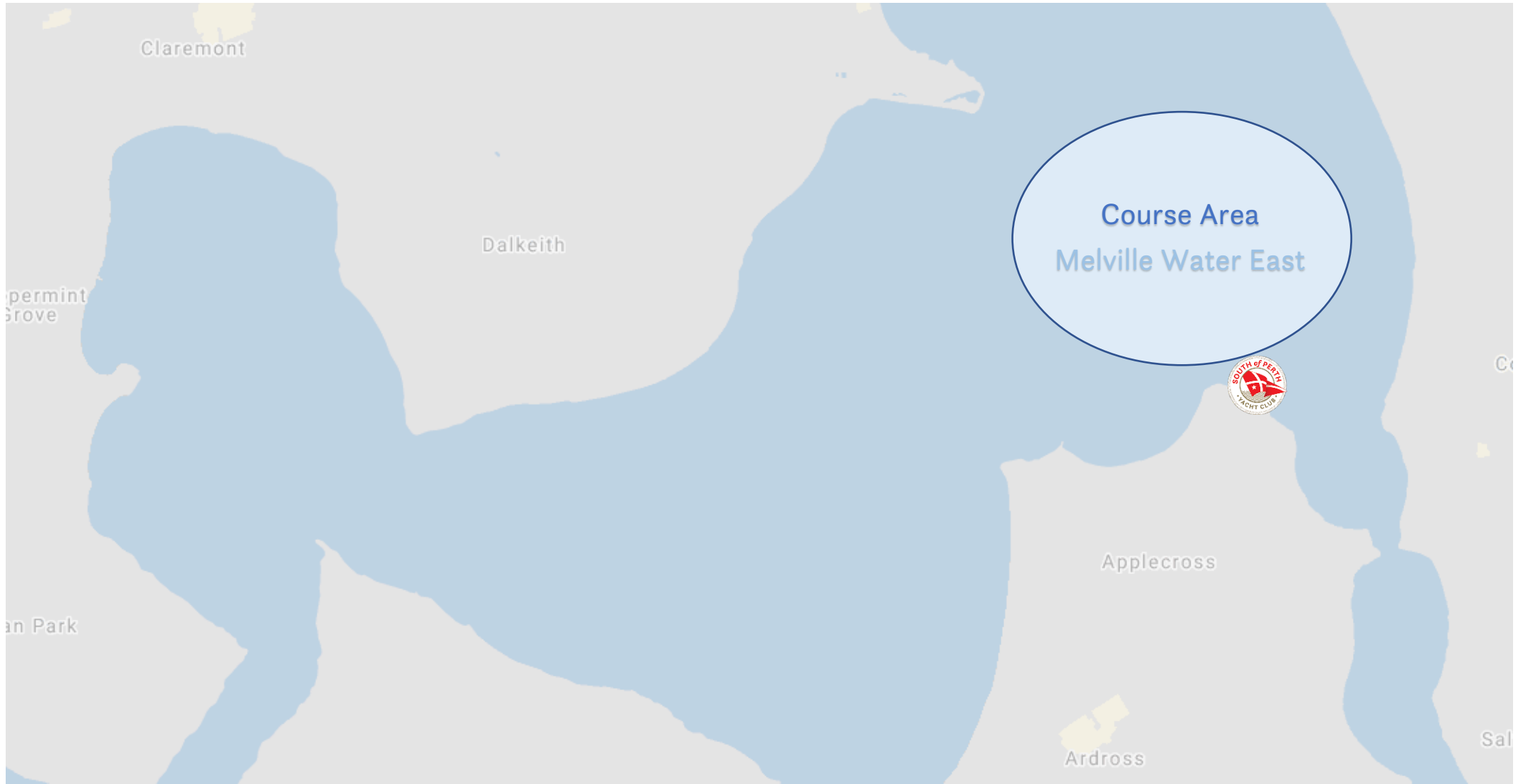
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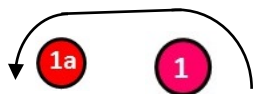
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Attachment A – Course Area





Attachment B

Alpha Course

Windward / Leeward / Triangular Courses



NOT TO SCALE

Class	Signal	Course
Flying 15	1 	Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 3 - 1 - 1a - 3 - 1 - 1a - 3 - Finish
Flying 15	2 	Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 3 - 1 - 1a - 3 - 1 - 1a - 3 - 1 - 1a - 3 - Finish