

Flying Fifteen International – Western Australia (Inc.)

in conjunction with Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club Presents the

2020 Worlds Practice Series

Saturday 1 and Sunday 2 February 2020

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club (Inc)

The Organising Authority, Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club (Inc), Perth, Western Australia in conjunction with Flying Fifteen International – Western Australia (inc.) has pleasure in inviting you to participate in the **2020 Worlds Practice Series** Saturday, 1 and Sunday, 2 February 2020

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for "Off the Beach" shall apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

The official notice board will be at the Regatta Office at Fremantle Sailing Club.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes made to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 10:30 am on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 18:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main flagpole at Fremantle Sailing Club.
- 4.2 When AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 A maximum of six (6) races will be conducted for the series.
- 5.2 The times of racing are as follows:

Day	Date	Time of First Race Warning Signal	Location
Saturday	1 February 2020	1300	Owen Anchorage
		Subsequent races to follow	
Sunday	2 February 2020	1300	Owen Anchorage
		Subsequent races to follow	

- 5.3 To alert competitors that another race is to be sailed in a session, code flag Q will be displayed as boats are finishing the previous race. This flag will be removed with multiple sound signals one minute before the attention signal is displayed for the ensuing race
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1600 hours on Sunday, 2 February 2020.

6 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the Flying Fifteen class flag.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be Owen Anchorage.

8 THE COURSE

8.1 The diagram in Appendix A indicates the course to be sailed, including the approximate angles between the legs and the order and side on which each mark is to be left.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be yellow inflatable buoys. Mark 4s and 4p will be orange pimple buoys. The start and finish buoy will be an orange pimple buoy with an orange flag on a cylinder.
- 9.2 Change of Course marks will be a yellow inflatable buoy with a red stripe.

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee vessel at the starboard end and the starting mark at the port end.
- 10.2 All races will be started using RRS 26 modified such that the warning signal will be displayed 3 minutes prior to the start and the preparatory signal 2 minutes prior to the start.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 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.
- 11.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.

12 THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the port end and the finishing mark at the starboard end.

13 **PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 13.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe in the same direction) except that for infringements within the Zone, as defined in the RRS, shall be a Two Turns Penalty (two tacks and two gybes in the same direction). This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2
- 13.2 A boat that has taken a penalty under rule 44.1 or retired shall complete an acknowledgement form at the Regatta Office within the Protest Time Limit

14 TIME LIMIT

The maximum time limit for the first boat will be 120 minutes (2 hours). Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes of the first boat will be recorded DNF. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5

15 **PROTESTS AND REDRESS**

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Office at Fremantle Sailing Club.
- 15.2 Protests shall be delivered to the Regatta Office within 90 minutes of the docking time of the Race Committee Start Boat after the last race of the day. The protest limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the FSC Activities Room on the day of the protest lodgement (unless otherwise advised) starting as soon as possible after the notice has been posted on the official notice board
- 15.4 Notice of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted on the official notice board to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 5.5 Breaches of SI, 13.2, 17, 20, and 22 and shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This amends RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest committee so decides
- 15.6 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 RRS 62.2

16 SCORING

16.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

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

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the regatta secretary as soon as possible. [DP]

18 **REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. [DP]
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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.

20 ADVERTISING

In accordance with the International Flying Fifteen Class Rules and ISAF Regulation 20.5.1, no advertising shall be displayed pursuant to ISAF Regulation 20.3.2 (Advertising chosen by the person in charge on sails, spars and hulls).

21 SUPPORT BOATS

Unless otherwise advised or requested by the Race Officer Team Leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal for the start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. The penalty for the infringement of this Instruction will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may include disqualification of boats connected with the coach.

22 RADIO COMMUNICATION

22.1 Radio communications shall be in accordance with the Flying 15 Class Rules 14.5 [DP]

23 PRIZES

Results will be announced at the post regatta function on Sunday, 2 February 2020.

24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority 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.

25 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall have third-party liability and public liability insurance cover of not less than \$10,000,000. By signing the Entry Form entrants declare that they hold such insurance in respect of this boat and this regatta and that they will continue to do so for the duration of the regatta.

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APPENDIX A – COURSES

