



**2019
Western Australian
Couta Boat
State Championship
and
2019 Flying Fifteen
Pre States Regatta**

23rd and 24th March, 2019

Sailing Instructions



**Organising Authority
Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club**

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI 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 for Cat 7 will apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T 'Arbitration' will apply.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the foyer of the RFBYC Senior Clubhouse.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Notices to competitors will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1700 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Flag Mast located in front of the RFBYC Senior Clubhouse.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

DATE		WARNING SIGNAL	LOCATION	EVENT
23/3/2019	Couta Boats	0900	Melville Water West	Warning Signal Race 1
	Flying Fifteen	0905		Race 2 to follow as soon as practicable on completion of Race 1 Race 3 to follow as soon as practicable on completion of Race 2
24/3/2019	Couta Boats	0900	Melville Water West	Warning Signal Race 4
	Flying Fifteen	0905		Race 5 to follow as soon as practicable on completion of Race 4 Race 6 to follow as soon as practicable on completion of Race 5
24/3/2019		After Racing	RFBYC lawn	Presentation of Prizes

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The Couta boat class flag will be a black triangular flag with a yellow cross.

6.2 The Flying Fifteen class flag will be a white flag with a red FF insignia

7. RACING AREAS

The racing area will be in the area known as Melville Water West.

8. THE COURSES

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

9. MARKS

9.1 Marks 1, 2, 3a and 3p will be yellow inflatable buoys.

9.2 The start and finishing mark will be a black and white chequered buoy.

9.3 The change of course mark will be a red inflatable buoy.

10. THE START

10.1 The start line will be between a staff on the race committee boat displaying an orange flag at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.

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

10.3 A boat that does not start within 15 minutes after her starting line signal and she is identified will be scored Did not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11. CHANGE TO 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.

12. THE FINISH

12.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the port end and the course side of the starboard-end finishing mark.

12.2 To alert competitors that another race will follow in that session, code flag Q will be displayed as boats are finishing. Multiple sound signals and the removal of Flag Q will indicate that a new starting sequence will commence within one minute

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two-turns penalty is replaced by the one-turn penalty.

14. TIME LIMIT

Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat has sailed the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protests shall be lodged at the Yachting Operations Office within 60 minutes of the last boat finishing in the last race of the day. Protests shall be in writing on forms available from the Yachting Operations Office.

16. SCORING

- 16.1 Two races are required to constitute a series.
- 16.2 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.3 When five (5) to six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 Boats shall sail in the vicinity of the race committee boat prior to their start and shall hail their sail number and be acknowledged.
- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible [DP].

18. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats [DP].

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

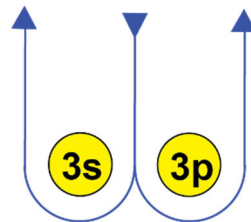
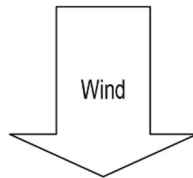
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

20. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

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Appendix A - Course



Course 1 (Numeral pennant 1)

Start-1p-2p-finish

Course 2 (Numeral pennant 2)

1p- 2p- 3s/3p- 1p- 2p- finish

Course 3 (numeral pennant 3)

1p-2p-3s/3p-1p-2p-3s/3p-1p-2p-finish