

39th NEW SOUTH WALES TASAR CHAMPIONSHIP 2015-2016

Friday, March 25th 2016 to Sunday, March 27th 2016
Tasar Association of New South Wales Inc in conjunction with
Port Stephens Sailing and Aquatic Club, Seaview Crescent, Soldiers Point, NSW 2317

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined by the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 2 – For off the beach boats will apply

2. Notices to Competitors & Race Headquarters

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located near the Regatta Office.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not later than 2hrs before the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flagstaff located on the balcony facing east on the upper level of the clubhouse
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. Schedule of Races

5.1 Racing Sessions are scheduled as follows:

<i>Race</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Warning Signal</i>
Session 1	Friday	March 25	13.00 hrs
Session 2	Saturday	March 26	12.00 hrs
Session 3	Sunday	March 27	12.00 hrs

- 5.3 A maximum of 3 races will be sailed in each session
- 5.4 The maximum number of races scheduled is 9.
- 5.5 When races will be held back to back, the warning signal for subsequent races will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race, but not less than 5 minutes after the last boat has finished. To alert boats that a race sequence will soon begin, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least 4 minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.6 No Warning Signal will be made after 1500 hrs on the last day of racing.

6. Class Flag

The Class flag is a white flag with a red Taser class insignia.

7. Course Area

The regatta will be conducted on the waters of Salamander Bay.

8. Courses

The diagrams in attachment A show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9. Marks

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be inflatable orange conical buoys.
- 9.2 Mark 1(a) will be a danbuoy mark with an orange flag.
- 9.3 New marks as provided in accordance with Instruction 11, will be inflatable yellow cylindrical buoy with a black band.
- 9.4 The starting mark will be inflatable yellow conical buoys.
- 9.5 The finish mark will be a danbuoy with a blue flag.

10. The Start

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end and the port end starting mark.
- 10.2 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes Rules A4 and A5.
- 10.3 If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26.
- 10.4 The Race Committee vessel may hold its position by using engines. Any effects will not be grounds for granting redress. This alters RRS60.1(b) and 62.1(a)

11. Change Of The Position Of The Next Mark

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

12. The Finish

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end and the port end finishing mark.
- 12.2 The Race Committee vessel may hold its position by using its engines. Any effects will not be grounds for granting redress. This alters RRS60.1(b) and 62.1(a)

13. Time Limit and Target Time

- 13.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 2 hours.
- 13.2 The time limit for the first boat to pass Mark 1 will be 30mins.
- 13.3 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes Rule 35, A4 and A5.
- 13.4 The target time will be 40mins. Failure to meet the target time shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

14. Protests and Request for Redress

- 14.1 Protest forms are available at Race Headquarters. Protests shall be delivered there within one hour after the last boat finishes the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to requests for redress. The protest time limit for all protests by the Race Committee and Protest Committee will be 90 minutes after the finish of the last boat in the last race of the day. This changes RRS 62.2. The Protest Time limit will be posted on the Regatta Notice Board.
- 14.2 Notices will be posted as soon as possible after a protest has been lodged, but not later than thirty minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. The posting of such a notice shall be notification to the parties for the purpose of RRS 63.2. Hearings will be held at Race Headquarters. It is intended that protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt. Parties and witnesses are required to be in the vicinity of the Protest Room at the time stated on the Protest Schedule notice.
- 14.3 Breaches of instructions 21, 23 and 24 will not be grounds for protest by a boat This changes RRS 60.1(a) Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 14.4 On the last race day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be lodged within the time limit for protests if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day, or no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This alters RRS 66.

15. Arbitration

- 15.1 An arbitration hearing will be conducted for all protests lodged in accordance with RRS 61 which allege an infringement of a rule of Part 2, 4 or RRS31. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to a protest hearing.
- 15.2 The time and place of the arbitration hearing will be decided by the arbitrator and such advice will be given verbally. One representative from each boat shall attend the arbitration hearing and no witnesses will be allowed. The arbitrator shall decide the manner in which testimony is given.
- 15.3 After taking testimony at an arbitration hearing the arbitrator shall make one of the following conclusions:
 - (a) The protest does not comply with RRS 61 and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - (b) The matter shall proceed to a protest hearing. (This may be because rules other than Part 2 or 4 are involved, or because evidence is too complex or divergent to reach a reasonable and timely conclusion, or due to the apparent severity of the alleged incident, or for any other reason decided by the arbitrator.)
 - (c) No rule was broken and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - (d) A rule was broken by one or more boats involved, the infringing boat(s) may accept a 50% penalty calculated using the method in Rule 44.3 (c). If not accepted by the parties, the protest shall proceed to a hearing of the Protest Committee.
- 15.4 This changes RRS 63.1.
- 15.5 An arbitration hearing shall not be reopened. No conclusion of an arbitrator shall be subject to appeal or be grounds for redress.

16. Scoring

- 16.1 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2 When up to 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.
- 16.3 When 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.4 When 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.

17. 17. Safety

- 17.1 Each skipper is required to personally sign-on prior to the first warning signal each day and sign off before the end of protest time each day at Race Headquarters.
- 17.2 Boats which fail to sign-on or sign-off which be receive a 20% scoring penalty for all races of that day.
- 17.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

18. Replacement of Crew or Equipment

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Measurer at the first reasonable opportunity.

19. Equipment and Measurement Checks

A boat, equipment or crew may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat may be instructed by a member of the race committee or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area upon returning to shore for inspection.

20. Advertising

- 20.1 Boats may be required to display sponsor advertising which, if required, will be supplied by the organising authority.

21. Official Boats

- 21.1 Race Committee boats will display a PSSAC burgee or be otherwise identified as Race Committee boats.

22. Support Boats

- 22.1 Team managers, coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least 100 metres outside racing laylines from the time of the preparatory signal until the finish of the last boat in a race, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee. Failure to comply with this Instruction may result in action being taken by the Race Committee against the support personnel and/or any boats supported by them.

23. Radio Communication

- 23.1 Except in an emergency boats shall neither make radio transmissions whilst racing nor receive communications not available to all boats. This requirement also applies to mobile telephone communications.

24. Prizes

- 24.1 Prizes will be awarded as stated in the Notice of Race.

25. Disclaimer of Liability

- 25.1 It is the competitor's decision to enter the 39th New South Wales Tasar Championship or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the regatta is at their exclusive risk in every respect. See RRS Fundamental Rule 4- Decision to Race. The Organising Authority, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no liability 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 regatta or how so ever arising in connection with the event.
- 25.2 Attention is drawn to clause 17, "Risk Warning" of the Notice of Race.

26. Insurance

- 26.1 A boat and its crew shall comply with the insurance requirements of the Notice of Race.

27. Rights to use name and likeness

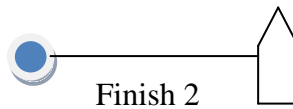
- 27.1 By participating in this event competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, radio, and video recordings, and other reproductions of them at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue.


ATTACHMENT A

COURSE DIAGRAMS

ALL MARK ROUNDING TO PORT

Course	Description
T2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish 1
T3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 2
L2	Start – 1 – 1a – 3 – 1 – 1a – 3 – Finish 1
L3	Start – 1 – 1a – 3 – 1 – 1a – 3 – 1 – 1a – 3 – Finish 1



Mark 1a 

 Mark 1

Mark 2 

