

The CYCA Trophy Series 2017



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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1 RULES

The CYCA Trophy Series 2017 will be governed by the current versions of:

- the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (“**RRS**”) of World Sailing;
- the IRC 2017 Rules Parts 1, 2 and 3;
- the International Measurement System (“**IMS**”) Rules and Regulations 2017;
- the ORC Rules and Regulations 2017;
- the prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing and
- the Notice of Race (“**NoR**”),

except as any of these are modified by or inconsistent with these Sailing Instructions, and by these Sailing Instructions (SI).

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the downstairs hallway of the CYCA clubhouse and on the event website www.cyca.com.au.

3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the Sailing Instructions, if any, shall be made in accordance with RRS 90.2(c) and posted on the official notice board prior to 0900 hours and announced on VHF Channel 72 at 0900 hours on the day they take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on a flagpole located on the upstairs balcony of the CYCA clubhouse.
- 4.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 60 minutes’ in race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Racing is scheduled as follows:

Race	Date	Time of Warning Signal
Race 1	Saturday 9 December 2017	1055 (AEDST)
Race 2	Sunday 10 December 2017	1055 (AEDST)

The Race Committee reserves the right to change the schedule of races and course types.

- 5.2 The Warning Signal for the first race of the first division of the day will be signalled at 1055 hours. The Warning Signal for each succeeding division shall be made with or after the Start Signal of the preceding division.
- 5.3 In the event of adverse weather or sea conditions the Race Committee may reschedule one or more races to different dates at its absolute discretion.

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6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Division 1	Int. Code Flag "E"
Division 2	Int Code Flag "G"

7 RACING AREAS

7.1 Racing will be conducted on the waters of Sydney Harbour, the Tasman Sea between Long Reef and Botany Bay.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The course descriptions are:

Course 1 – Long Reef – indicated by Numeral Pennant 1

Start (NSI) – LB - LR 1 (P) – Finish (WB) (approx 17nm)

Course 2 – Long Reef – indicated by Numeral Pennant 2

Start (NSI) – LB - LR 2 (P) – Finish (WB) (approx 18nm)

Course 3 – Coogee – indicated by Numeral Pennant 3

Start (NSI) – LB - CB (P) – Finish (WB) (approx 19nm)

Course 4 – Botany Bay – indicated by Numeral Pennant 4

Start (NSI) - LB - BBLM – Finish (WB) (approx 24nm)

Course 5 - Bearing Course – indicated by Numeral Pennant 5

Start (NSI) – LB - LM (P) – Finish (WB) (approx 19nm)

Course 6 - Bearing Course – indicated by Numeral Pennant 6

Start (NSI) – LB - LM2 (P) – Finish (WB) (approx 27nm)

Course 7 – Combination Course 1 – indicated by Numeral Pennant 7

Start (NSI) – LB - SW (P) – LR1 (P) – NH (P) – SW (P) - Finish (WB)
(approx 24 nm)

Course 8 – Combination Course 2 – indicated by Numeral Pennant 8

Start (NSI) – LB - SW (S) – CB (S) – NH (S) – SW (S) - Finish (WB)
(approx 24 nm)

Course 9 - Alternate & Heavy Weather Harbour Course – indicated by Numeral Pennant 9

Start (NSI) – CI (S) – MW (S) – ME (S) – CI (S) – MW (S) – ME (S) – SIM (S) – Finish (WB)

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8.2 In a course description, the designation (s) or (p) indicates the mark is to be rounded to starboard or port.

9 MARKS

9.1 Mark descriptions are as follows:

- BBLM** Orange inflatable mark at 34⁰ 00'S 151⁰ 16.3'E (1.1nm east of Cape Banks)
- CB** Orange inflatable mark, East of Coogee Bay, located approximately, 33⁰55.5'S 151⁰17.8'E
- CI** Clarke Island
- LB** Red port lateral mark at 33⁰50.09'S 151⁰16.5'E
(0.2nm west of Inner South Head) (Please note LB is a passing mark, not a rounding mark. Boats are to pass LB to starboard before proceeding to the next mark)
- LM** Orange inflatable mark, distance 8.0 Nautical Miles from North Head, on a bearing displayed by the Committee Vessel
- LM2** Orange inflatable mark, distance 12.0 Nautical Miles from North Head, on a bearing displayed by the Committee Vessel
- LR1** Orange inflatable mark, East of Long Reef, located approximately, 33⁰44.5'S 151⁰20.9'E
- LR2** Orange inflatable mark, North East of Long Reef, located approximately, 33⁰44.5'S 151⁰ 24.2'E
- ME** Yellow YA mark at Manly East
- MW** Yellow YA mark 200m west of ME
- NH** Orange inflatable mark, located approximately 33⁰49.2'S 151⁰18.6'E (0.75 nautical miles East of North Head)
- SIM** YA mark SE of Shark Island (The area between the Shark Island YA Mark (SIM) and Shark Island is a continuing obstruction and no boat shall pass between them.)
- SW** Orange inflatable mark, distance 1.75 Nautical Miles from Mark NH, on a bearing displayed by the Committee Vessel

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 10.2 The Start line shall be near Shark Island (NSI) between the flag mast on the committee vessel displaying a white flag with "CYCA" in black at the starboard end and an orange inflatable mark at the port end.
- 10.3 Individual and general recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29 and may subsequently be announced on VHF Channel 72.
- 10.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

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10.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (amends RRS A4.1).

11 THE FINISH

11.1 The finish line shall be in Watsons Bay (WB) between the committee vessel on the starboard end and an orange inflatable mark on the port end.

11.2 Races may be shortened and finished in accordance with RRS 32.2 (display of code flag "S" with two sound signals).

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 RRS 44.3 scoring penalties shall apply in respect of an infringement of a rule or instruction occurring offshore (to seaward of a transit from Hornby Light to outer North Head at the entrance to Sydney Harbour).

12.2 When not offshore, RRS 44.2 Two-Turns Penalty will apply for an infringement of a rule of RRS, Part 2.

12.3 Instead of disqualification, the Protest Committee may, at its absolute discretion, impose the following percentage penalties for each incident:

- a) an infringement of RRS Part 2 – not less than two or more than 10 places;
- b) an infringement of any other rule or instruction, at the discretion of the Protest Committee – not less than two or more than five places.

12.4 A boat penalised which is competing in more than one division shall have the percentage penalty and adjustment of points applied to each of its racing divisions independently and separately.

13 TIME LIMITS

The time limit for all races shall be 7 hours.

Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (amends RRS 35 and A4.1).

14 PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

14.1 Protest forms are available from the CYCA sailing office. Protests shall be delivered to the sailing office in person or by facsimile (02) 9363 9745 /email (sailingoffice@cyca.com.au) no later than the time limit stated in these Sailing Instructions.

14.2 For each division, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat of that division has finished in the last race of the day.

14.3 Protest hearings will be heard in the approximate order they are received. The schedule of hearings will be posted on the official notice board within 30 minutes of the end of the time limit for making protests. Posting of the hearing schedule shall be deemed compliance with RRS 63.2 as notification to the parties (amends RRS 63.2).

15 SCORING

15.1 The CYCA Trophy will be scored by the Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A2), with no discard. A minimum of 1 completed race shall constitute a series.

Each boat's series score will be the total of the boat's race scores. The boat with the lowest series score will be scored first and the other boats ranked accordingly.

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16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 All boats shall comply with Australian Sailing Addendum A, Special Regulations Part 1 for Race Category 4.
- 16.2 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

17 OFFICIAL BOATS

- 17.1 Official boats may be identified by a white flag with black 'CYCA' letters or by a CYCA Burgee.
- 17.2 Boats shall not interfere with or restrict official boats after the preparatory signal.
- 17.3 Official boats rank as obstructions surrounded by navigable water.
- 17.4 The position of an official boat shall not be grounds for redress (amends RRS 62).

18 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 18.1 All boats shall maintain a listening watch on Radio VHF Channel 72 for announcements by the committee vessel.

19 CHANGES TO CLASS RULES AND RACING RULES OF SAILING

19.1 Changes to the IRC Rules

IRC Rule 22.4.: The maximum total weight of crew in kilograms that may sail aboard a boat shall not exceed the crew number printed on the boat's IRC certificate multiplied by 85.

19.2 Changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing

RRS 51: A boat with movable or variable ballast (within the meaning of those terms in the Special Regulations) may move that ballast for the purpose of changing trim or stability.

RRS 52: RRS 52 does not apply to the adjustment and operation of sails or to the adjustment of movable appendages on any boat.

RRS 78.2: Valid rating/class certificates shall be produced by the due date specified in this Notice of Race.

20 FLAGS AND BOW DECALS ON BOATS

Backstay Flags and Bow Decals are not required for the CYCA Trophy Series.

21 OTHER CONDITIONS

- 21.1 Competitors must maintain a minimum distance of 500m from the bow of any ship and 200m from any ferry and no less than 30m from the sides/stern of any ship or ferry underway.
- 21.2 A boat shall not cause interference to an ocean-going vessel or other vessels having right-of-way under the government right-of-way regulations.

22 ADVERTISING

A boat shall comply with the advertising requirements of the Notice of Race.

23 PRIZES

Prizes and trophies will be awarded as per Notice of Race 16.

24 RESPONSIBILITY

24.1 All those taking part in the CYCA Trophy do so at their own risk and responsibility.

The Organising Authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat, or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

The Organising Authority is not responsible for any damage or injury, either ashore or at sea, to a person or boat which might result from participating in the CYCA Trophy Series.

24.2 Decision to Race

Attention is drawn to RRS 4:

“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”

24.3 Crew Requirements

Attention is drawn to RRS 46:

A boat shall have on board a person in charge designated by the member or organisation that entered the boat.

Australian Sailing prescribes that the person in charge shall be a member of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing and an Australian Sailing card holder (SIN), or, if an international competitor, a member of club affiliated to a World Sailing recognised Member National Authority. Furthermore, except in an international event, any crew member who sails in more than 3 races in a season shall be a member of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing and an Australian Sailing card holder (SIN).