## **Bendigo Yacht Club Inc**

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#### 1 RULES

Series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the prescriptions of Yachting Australia and Class rules.

#### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board in the Clubhouse foyer.

#### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change(s) to the sailing instructions will be posted not less 1 hour before the race, on the day that the change(s) will take effect. Change(s) will be posted on the notice board in the Clubhouse foyer.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Main Flag pole South East of the Club House.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Races will be conducted as per Notice Of Race Twilight Series 2017
- 5.2 The first warning signal on race days will be at 17.55 hrs.

#### 6 DIVISIONS

Division Flag Classes

One Numeral Pennant 1 All Catamarans
Two Numeral Pennant 2 All Monohulls
Three Numeral Pennant 3 All Trailables

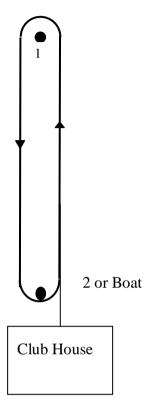
#### 7 RACING AREA

Lake Eppalock, Kimbolton Pool in the vicinity of Bendigo Yacht Club.

#### 8 SAILING THE COURSES

8.1 All Courses will be on the basis of average laps

All marks are to be left to Port unless the Green flag is display from the Main Flag pole South East of Club in which case courses are to be sailed to starboard.



The diagrams above shows a Port course, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

Division 1,2,3 : S-12-12-12 until signal to finish

#### 9 MARKS

Course marks 1, 2 will be red or yellow buoys

#### 10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started using Lights on the Front Gable of Club House as follows Warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal and one sound
  - 3 Minutes 3 Lights on and one sound
  - 2 Minutes 2 lights on and one sound
  - 1 Minutes 1 light on and one sound
  - Start all Lights off and one sound
- 10.2 Individual recall will be signalled by 1 Sound signal and 1 Light signal and will be left on until the boat returns to pre-start of line
- 10.3 The starting line will be between course Mark 2 or Boat and the Orange Panel at the front of the Club House

10.4 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4.1 and A5.

#### 11 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between Buoy 2 or Boat and the Orange Panel at the front of Club House

11.1 The Signal to finish will be 2 lights on and one sound signal

#### 12 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

12.1 If no boat has rounded the first mark of the course within 30 minutes after the start, the race will be abandoned. A race may also be abandoned at the discretion of the Race Committee.

#### 13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 13.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the race.
- 13.3 Notices will be posted as soon as able after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at a time and place determined by the protest committee.

#### 14 SCORING

- 14.1 Scoring will be as per the *Low Point System* (Appendix A4) and the *Race Scores In A Series Longer Than A Regatta* (Appendix A9).
- 14.2 **The minimum number of races** required to constitute a series is 3
- 14.3 **The number of exclusions** to apply for the Twilight Series is shown in the table below:

| Number of Races | Number of exclusions |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| 1-3             | 0                    |
| 4-6             | 1                    |
| 7-8             | 2                    |

#### 15 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

**Replacement of crew or equipment** should be noted on the sign on sheet. Changes of equipment due to repairs or upgrades over the series are permitted.

#### 16 HELMSPERSON

The **helmsperson** of a boat shall not change boats more than twice throughout the Twilight Series' within each division. When a helmsperson changes boats more than twice, a separate entry for each of those boats will **result.** 

#### 17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 **Sign-On**: Each helmsperson or a representative must Sign-On on the sheet provided at the Control Room window before racing. Boats that fail to sign on will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 17.2 **Sign-Off**: Each helmsperson or a representative must Sign-Off on the sheet provided at the Control Room window within 60 minutes of the last boat finishing the race. Boats that fail to sign off will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5. A boat that does not finish a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible by making a declaration on the sheet provided at the Control Room.
- 17.3 **Emergency Signal**: when the Emergency Signal is turned on, ALL boats (except Rescue Boats) are to immediately go ashore and no boats (except Rescue Boats) are to depart the club ashore.

The Emergency Signal is comprised of 4 white lights. The lights are located on the End gable above the main door of the Club's Common Room. The Emergency Signal applies to all boating activity being conducted by the Bendigo Yacht Club.

#### 18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time by an inspector appointed by the Sailing Committee for compliance with the class rules and the prescriptions of Australian Sailing.

#### 19 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

#### 20 PENALTY'S

For Divisions 1.2.3 rule 44.1 will apply.

#### 21 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as determined by the Bendigo Yacht Club.

#### 22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate 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 race/series.

#### 23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

#### 24 ENTRY FORM

Each helmsperson must have completed an entry form prior to competing. Sheets are available from the Race Office.