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# 2024 WASZP New South Wales Slalom Championships

9-10 November 2024

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### **1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY & RULES**

- 1.1 The Organising Authority (OA) is as stated in the Notice of Race (NOR).
- 1.2 The rules are stated in the NOR.
- 1.3 Where there is contention between the NoR and the SIs, the SIs take precedence.

### **2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 Changes impacting the racing schedule will be posted by 2000 the day before they take effect. Any other SI changes will be posted 90 minutes before they take effect.

### **3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

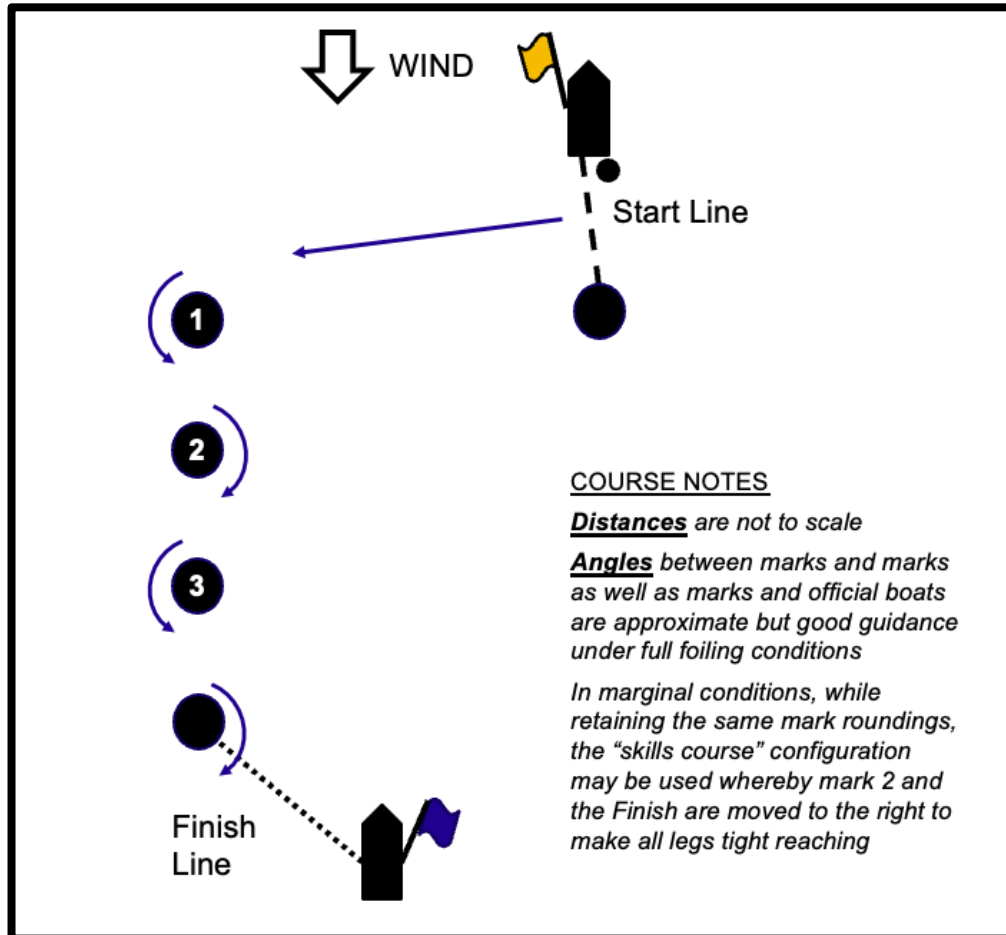
- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the WSC flag pole.
- 3.2 Race Signal AP is changed so that when flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes'.

### **4 FORMAT AND SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 4.1 Racing will be in a single fleet.
- 4.2 A maximum of 14 races will be sailed for the championship.

**5 COURSE AND MARKS**

- 5.1 Course; Start – 1 (port) – 2 (stbd) – 3 (port) – finish (see diagram).



- 5.2 Marks are inflatable with colours as follows:

Mark	Start	1	2	3	Finish
Colour	White	Red & Yellow	Yellow	Red & Yellow	Blue

- 5.3 Competitors may submit a scoring enquiry at the WSC sailing office.
- 5.4 The finishing line is between the staff displaying a blue flag on the Finish Vessel and the Finish mark.
- 5.5 The course will not be changed during a race.

## 6 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

6.1 Relevant time limits are set out in the following table:

Target Time	Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit (see RRS 35)	Finishing Window
5 minutes	2 minutes	10 minutes	5 minutes

6.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

6.3 If no boat Finishes within the Race Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

6.4 Operation of the Finishing Window is set out in SI 9.

6.5 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 7 THE START

7.1 The class flag will be a gold flag with the class insignia.

7.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound approximately three minutes before a warning signal is made.

7.3 All races will be started using RRS 26, modified as follows:

Signal	Flag Movement	Sound Signal	Minutes
Warning	Class Flag displayed	1	3
Preparatory	P, U or Black Flag displayed	1	2
One-minute	Preparatory Flag removed	1 long	1
Starting	Class Flag removed	1	0

7.4 The starting line is between the staff displaying the orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the start mark.

7.5 A boat that does not start within three minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## 8 OCS PENALTY

8.1 OCS whilst attempting to start:

8.1.1 Competitors OCS shall drop off the foil completely (while continuing in the direction of Mark 1) and reinitiate foiling before continuing to race behind the middle of the fleet (i.e. half those starting that race) (changes RRS 28 and 29).

8.1.2 OCS penalties must be served before getting approximately half way to Mark 1.

8.1.3 The Race Committee may further penalise a competitor who has either not correctly completed their penalty or gained an advantage by pointing a red flag at them with a sound signal indicating the competitor should take a further "off the foil" penalty. If this is not taken, the competitor will be scored OCS.

## 9 FINISHING WINDOW

- 9.1 As the first finisher crosses the finish line, the Finishing Window opens. Around the same time the Finish boat will display a chequered Finish flag.
- 9.2 The Finishing Window remains open for the earlier of 5 minutes or last boat finishing and the closing of the Finishing Window will be indicated by dropping of the chequered Finish Flag.
- 9.2.1 While the Finishing Window is open, competitors will be scored in their finishing order.
  - 9.2.2 At the time the Finish Window closes, any competitor who has not finished may receive a place allocated by the race committee (reflecting the competitor's progress along the course). This changes RRS 28.1 and A4.

## 10 SCORING

- 10.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores discarding her worst scores based on the number of races completed with reference to the following table:

Races completed	3 - 4	4 - 7	8 - 11	12 - 14
Discards	0	1	2	3

- 10.3 Competitors may submit scoring enquiries at the sailing office.

## 11 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 11.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed.
- 11.2 [DP] Competitors attention is drawn to Class Rule D.3.5.

## 12 HEARING REQUESTS

- 12.1 The protest time limit is 40 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 12.2 Hearing request forms can be obtained from (and submitted to) the sailing office.
- 12.3 Notices will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

## 13 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 13.2 [SP] Boats shall sign on before going afloat and sign off at the first reasonable opportunity after returning ashore. Signing sheets will be outside the Race Office. The penalty for a breach of this instruction is 5 points added to the race sailed closest to the breach of the rule, but no worse than the score for disqualification.
- 13.3 A safety boat in close attendance to a craft or competitor in difficulty is an Obstruction.
- 13.4 Boats shall follow the reasonable instructions of Safety boats. Failure to do so will be reported to the Race Committee, which may protest the boat. Boats penalised under this instruction may be scored DNE, or such other penalty that the Protest Committee may decide. This changes rule 64.1(a).
- 13.5 Outside help shall be reported to the Protest Committee on a form available from the sailing office before the protest time limit of that session.