

7.19 WINTER SERIES – NOR

1. Rules

- 1.1 The racing will be governed by the *ISAF* Racing Rules of Sailing (*RRS*); the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (*YA*), except as altered by the Sailing Instructions; the Sailing Instructions which are also considered part of the rules; and the Rules as defined by *Section 6.10* of the *MYC* Handbook.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The racing is open to all mono hull yachts whose length overall is greater than 6m and less than 20m.
- 2.2 Boats must hold a Category 7 Equipment Compliance Certificate.
- 2.3 The owner of the boat or, in the absence of the owner, the owner's representative must be a member of *YA* or Member Club of State or Territory Yachting Authority (*MYA Club*). The crew who sail in more than three races must be a member of *YA* or a *MYA Club*.
- 2.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form, available from *MYC* and on the website www.myc.org.au, and submitting it, together with the required fee, a copy of the Certificate of Currency for the boat's insurance and a copy of the boat's Equipment Compliance Certificate to *MYC* by 1700 hrs Friday, one week prior to either the start of the series or any individual race.
- 2.5 Division must be constituted by a minimum of four boats.

3. Fees

- 3.1 The required fees are shown on the Race Entry form available from *MYC* and on the website www.myc.org.au.

4. Schedule

- 4.1 Racing is scheduled for:

Race	Date
Race 1	Sunday, 27th May 2012
Race 2	Sunday, 17th June 2012
Race 3	Sunday, 1st July 2012
Race 4	Sunday, 15th July 2012
Race 5	Sunday, 29th July 2012

- 4.2 The following divisions or classes will be sailed:

Division 1 - Yachts

Division 2 - Yachts

- 4.3 Yachts will be allocated a division by the Race Director. The decision will be based on the yacht's previous performance or its probable future performance. A written submission by the yacht's skipper or owner will be considered.
- 4.4 Any yacht which during the racing season makes a significant performance enhancing change to her rig or hull may have her handicap changed by the Race Director.
- 4.5 There is 1 race scheduled for each division per day.
- 4.6 All Races will be handicap starts.
- 4.7 The earliest start for the first boat will be 1200 hrs.

5. Sailing Instructions

- 5.1 The Sailing Instructions are available in the *MYC* Handbook and on the website www.myc.org.au.

6. Racing Area

- 6.1 Racing will be conducted within Sydney Harbour.
- 6.2 "Prohibited waters" and "obstructions" are described in the Sailing Instructions.

7. The Courses

- 7.1 Courses are described in the Sailing Instructions.

8. Penalty System

- 8.1 Your attention is drawn to Rule 44.2 which states in part that "a boat takes a One-Turn or Two-Turns Penalty by promptly making the required number of turns in the same direction, each turn including one tack and one gybe".

9. Scoring

- 9.1 The Low Point Scoring System *RRS*, Appendix A4 will apply.

10. Prizes

- 10.1 Prizes will be awarded on the deck at the end of the day's racing as described in the Sailing Instructions. All prizes not immediately accepted by competitors or their representatives will be redrawn.
- 10.2 Perpetual trophies awarded by *MYC* are shown in *Section 6.19, Trophies and Presentation*.

11. Disclaimer of Liability

- 11.1 Competitors participate in the racing entirely at their own risk. *MYC* will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the racing. *MYC* is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. *MYC* reserves the right to refuse an entry. Attention is drawn to *RRS* Rule 4 - Decision to Race.

12. Insurance

- 12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 million per event or the equivalent. A Certificate of Currency for this insurance will be held by the boat owner.

13. Further Information

- 13.1 A BBQ, presentation and get together will be held on the deck of *MYC* after racing.



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- 1.2 Unless in use, no part of any anchor may project forward of the bow at any time whilst racing.

2. Notice to Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located on the ground floor foyer of *MYC* and may be posted on the outside noticeboard at Davis Marina and on the *MYC* website www.myc.org.au.
- 2.2 Handicaps will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located on the ground floor foyer of *MYC* and may be posted on the outside noticeboard at Davis Marina and on the *MYC* website www.myc.org.au.
- 2.3 Handicaps may also be obtained from the Race Committee by contacting *MYC* by telephone on 9977 4949 or by radio on VHF Ch 72 no later than 1130 hours on the day of the race.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 hours on the day the change will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of racing will be posted at least one week before it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the *MYC* flagpole at the end of the jetty.
- 4.2 Code flag N means "All races scheduled for today are abandoned". When displayed alone the signal applies to all classes/divisions. When displayed over class/division flags the signal applies to the designated class/division only.

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- 5.3 There is 1 race scheduled for each division per day.

6. Class Flags

- 6.1 The class flags will be as follows:

Class	Flag
Division 1 Yachts	Numeral Pennant 1
Division 2 Yachts	Numeral Pennant 2

7. Racing Area

- 7.1 Racing will be conducted within Sydney Harbour.

8. The Courses

- 8.1 Courses for Division 1 are shown in **Appendix A10**.
- 8.2 Courses for Division 2 are shown in **Appendix A11**.
- 8.3 The number of the course to be sailed will be displayed on a large blackboard fixed to the MYC upper deck before the start time of the first boat.

9. Shortened Course

- 9.1 If the Race Committee signals a shortened course (displays Flag S with two sounds), the finish line shall be at a rounding mark, between the mark and a staff on the Committee Boat displaying Flag S.

10. Marks

- 10.1 The approximate position of most marks is shown on the inside back cover of the MYC Handbook.
- 10.2 The following marks are YA yellow spar buoys: Forty Baskets, Manly West, Manly East, Reef Beach, Cannae Point, Edwards Beach, Rocky Point, Obelisk Bay, Lady Bay, Shark Island, Rose Bay, Eastern Channel, Chowder Bay North, Chowder Bay South, Nielson Bay, Taylor's Bay and Point Piper.
- 10.3 Wedding Cake East is a white timber navigation mark.

11. Areas that are Obstructions

- 11.1 The areas of water between the outer line of all permanent moorings and the shoreline of Port Jackson shall be "prohibited waters" for boats that are racing.
- 11.2 All State and Federal exclusion zones shall rank as an "obstruction" for boats that are racing, and shall not be entered.
- 11.3 All cardinal marks shall rank as "obstructions" for boats that are racing and shall be passed on the side indicated on the cardinal mark, with the exception of the channel separation marker north of the Sow and Pigs.
- 11.4 The area of water around any commercial ships, 30m on either side and astern and 500m ahead; or ferries, 30m on either side and astern, and 200m ahead - shall be an active exclusion zone and shall rank as an "obstruction" for boats that are racing.

12. The Start

- 12.1 All Races will be handicap starts.
- 12.2 The earliest start for the first boat will be 1200 hrs.
- 12.3 Boats will start west of the Manly Ferry path on a line which is the extension of a line joining the centre points of the two hot pink/orange triangles on the MYC wharf and the upper deck of the club house.
- 12.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made should avoid the starting area.
- 12.5 The starting area is defined as the area bounded by the start line to the south; the beach to the north; and west of the Manly Ferry path.
- 12.6 A boat's warning signal is the time 5 minutes prior to her allocated start time.
- 12.7 A boat may start at or after her assigned handicap time.
- 12.8 There will be no countdown for handicap starts. Competitors should synchronise their watches to Telstra time by phoning 1194.
- 12.9 A boat identified by the Race Committee as having entered the starting area prior to her warning signal shall have a penalty of 5 minutes added to her elapse time. This amends RRS 63.1.
- 12.10 Practice starts are not permitted and shall have a penalty of 5 minutes added to the boat's elapsed time.
- 12.11 A boat which mistimes its actual start may exonerate itself by restarting correctly and will not incur a 5 minute penalty.
- 12.12 There will be no recalls.

13. The Finish

13.1 Boats will finish west of the Manly Ferry path on a line which is an extension of a line joining the centre points of the two hot pink/orange triangles on the MYC wharf and the upper deck of the club house.

14. Penalty System

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15. Time Limits

15.1 The time limit for the races shall be 1630 hours.

16. Protests and Requests for Redress

16.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the MYC Office and delivered there within 2 hours after the time of the last boat's finish.

16.2 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

16.3 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

17. Scoring

17.1 The Low Point Scoring System *RRS*, Appendix A4 will apply; modified so each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, with her worst score discarded.

17.2 Handicaps will be set by the Race Committee and will not be subject to request for redress.

17.3 The number of races scheduled for the series is shown in *Section 4.9, MYC Calendar*.

17.4 Three races will constitute a series.

17.5 Handicap start times will be adjusted after each race:

Place	First	Second	Third
Additional	6 min	4 min	2 min

17.6 A boat finishing in the first half of the fleet (after 3rd Place) will not have its handicap adjusted. A boat finishing in the second half of the fleet will start two minutes earlier in the next race. If a boat finishes in the last half of the fleet as a result of receiving a penalty, it will not have its handicap adjusted at all for the next race.

17.7 Boats which have not crossed the finishing line by the time limit will be scored DNF.

18. Safety Regulations

18.1 It is the responsibility of each entrant to ensure that the boat complies with the requirements of the *RRS*, *YA Addendum A*, *YA Special Regulations*, at all times when racing.

18.2 Entries will only be accepted from boats with an appropriate Equipment Compliance form, minimum Category 7.

18.3 Races will not be started when in the opinion of the Race Committee the maximum wind gust averaged over 3 seconds exceeds 30 knots. Races not started will be postponed or abandoned at the discretion of the Race Committee.

18.4 Individual competitors who withdraw from the race, or who will not finish within the time limit, are required to notify the Race Committee immediately upon retirement. The Race Committee can be contacted in person on the start boat or the club house, or by telephone on 9977 4949 or radio VHF Ch 72.

19. Prizes

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- 19.2 Perpetual trophies awarded by MYC are shown in *Section 6.19, Trophies and Presentation*.
- 19.3 Grand prizes (where applicable) will be drawn "from the barrel" on the last day of racing in the series. Names of race entries for each race for each division will have one entry in the barrel. **Third** place in a race for each division allows one extra name in the barrel. **Second** place in a race for each division allows two extra names in the barrel. **First** place in a race for each division allows three extra names in the barrel. Casual entries are excluded from winning the major prize.
- 19.4 Owners or nominated helm must be present for the draw of the major prize otherwise the prize will be put up for redraw.
- 19.5 A presentation BBQ is available on the upper deck of MYC at the completion of racing.

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