



WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019

Sailing Instructions

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Whangaparaoa, Auckland, New Zealand



Organized by:

Manly Sailing Club

in co-operation with the

Bic Sport & O'pen Bic Class Association

website: <http://world2019.openbicclass.org>

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The OBCA Class Rules apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions will take precedence. **This changes RRS 63.7.**
- 1.4. The [O'pen Bic Addendum Q](#), approved by World Sailing under RRS 86.2 and allowing umpiring on the water for all races, will apply.
- 1.5. App. P will apply as per O'pen Bic Class Rules. RRS P2.1 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one. RRS P5 will apply as stated in the class rules.
- 1.6. RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.7. *For all the rules governing this event*
 - 1.7.1. *[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury and may be less than disqualification*
 - 1.7.2. *[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.*
 - 1.7.3. *[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing. Both 'athlete' and 'competitor' mean a person competing or intending to compete in the event.*
- 1.8. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to the competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the lower floor of the clubhouse. The Event App will also be pushing notifications of any notices and changes to any documents. Failure to notify any changes will not be grounds for protest.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than 90 minutes before the scheduled warning signal of the race it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of the first race of the day will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Official Flag Pole located at the front of the Clubhouse
- 4.2. When a signal is displayed over a Division flag it applies to that Division only.
- 4.3. [NP][DP]When the Division flag is displayed ashore competitors can go afloat. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after this flag is displayed. **If the Division flag is NOT displayed competitors SHALL NOT go afloat**

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. The daily race schedule and the scheduled time of the Warning signal for the first race will be posted on the Official Notice Board and the App.
- 5.2. There will be no more than 4 races per day, and a maximum of 12 races in the championship, for each division.
- 5.3. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.4. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 16:00 hrs.

6. RACING FORMAT group racing

- 6.1. The regatta will consist of a final series only for both divisions.

7. CLASS FLAGS & GROUP BIB'S

Division/Group flags & Bib's shall be:

<u>Division</u>	<u>Flag</u>	<u>Bib</u>
Under 13	Blue with O' logo	Blue
Under 17	Yellow with O' logo	Yellow

8. RACING AREA

- 8.1 The racing area is defined in SI's Appendix A. The course area is defined as an area extending 75 metre beyond the course including the starting line, the finishing line and their extensions, in which a boat normally sails while racing.

9. COURSES AND FREESTYLE MANOEUVRES

- 9.1 The diagram in SI's Appendix B shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 Freestyle manoeuvres are:
 - **360°**: including a tack and a jibe (or a jibe and a tack) in the same direction when a yellow flag is displayed on the race committee starting vessel before or together with the warning signal
 - **Capsizing**: capsize the boat until the head of the sail touches the water, when a white flag is displayed on the race committee starting vessel before or with the warning signal
 - **Standing leg**: sail the boat between two buoys in a standing position, when a green flag is displayed on the race committee starting vessel before or together with the warning signal.
- 9.3 If a boat displaying a black "J" flag (Jury) in the vicinity of a course mark displaying either a yellow flag, white flag or Green flag, this means: "every boat shall do an additional free style manoeuvre according to the Flag colour from this mark until next mark" (**Additional Freestyle manoeuvre**)
- 9.4 If the average wind speed is clearly over 12 knots across the course the race committee may signal in accordance with RRS Appendix P5 that pumping, rocking

and ooching are permitted **except on a windward leg**. This changes rules RRS 42.2(a), RRS 42.2(b), RRS 42.2(c). RC will use flag “Oscar” as per Appendix P to grant free sheet pumping and roll and ooching. Flag “Romeo” will be used to signal that free pumping/roll/ooching is no more permitted. **Sculling is always prohibited**

10. MARKS

10.1 The marks will be:

Course Marks	Cylindrical YELLOW inflatable marks
Starting marks	Race committee starting vessel and a RIB Displaying Orange
Finishing	Race committee Finish vessel and a RIB displaying Blue flags
Changing	Cylindrical RED marks

11. FORBIDDEN AREAS & OBSTRUCTIONS

11.1 There are no restricted areas or obstructions in the racing areas.

12. THE START

12.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.

12.2 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

12.3 A boat starting later than 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. **This changes RRS A4 and A5.**

13. THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be between staffs displaying a Blue flag on the finish marks.

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1 The target time for the first finisher is 30 minutes.

14.2 The time limit for the first boat in each race to reach the first mark is 15 minutes.

14.3 The time limit for the first boat to finish a race is 60 minutes.

14.4 If the time limits in SI's #14.2 and #14.3 are exceeded the race shall be abandoned.

14.5 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes of the first finisher in their respective division or group shall be scored DNF except those who are scored DSQ, UFD, BFD, OCS, RET, RDG or DNE. **This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.**

15. PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THE O'PEN BIC ADD.Q ABOUT PROTESTS

15.1 Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered at the Race Office within the appropriate time limit.

15.2 No protest will be valid unless the protesting boat notifies the finish boat on the water immediately after finishing. The only exception is for boats that retire from the race. **This changes RRS 63.1.**

15.3 [NP][DP]Boats retiring from a race shall complete a Retirement Declaration Form at the Race Office before the end of the protest time limit.

15.4 For each Division the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat of her Division has finished the last race of the day, or the Race Committee signals “AP/N over A”, whichever is later.

- 15.5** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as a witness. Hearings will be held in the protest room located next to the clubhouse.
- 15.6** Notices of protest by the Race Committee, Technical Committee or Jury will be posted on the Official Notice Board to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.7** On the last day of the series a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- Within protest limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.
 - No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. **This changes RRS 66.**
- 15.8** Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 16. SPARE**
- 17. SCORING**
- 17.1** Scoring will be according to RRS Appendix A as amended for discards.
- 17.2** Minimum of Three (3) races are required to be completed by each Division to constitute a series.
- 17.3** When up to 5 races have been completed there will be no discard. When 5 to 9 races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 10 or more races have been completed there will be 2 discards.
- 17.4** To request correction of an alleged error in the posted races or series results, a boat shall complete a Scoring Enquiry Form available at the Race Office. The Scoring Enquiry Form shall be delivered not later than 19:00 of the day involved except if the results list is published after 18:30 in that case the form shall be delivered not later than 9:00 of the day after.
- 18. SAFETY REGULATIONS [NP][DP]**
- 18.1** All competitors shall sign on before leaving the beach by leaving your **ID Card** on the **Sign On** board on the Lower floor of the Clubhouse. When you return to the beach you shall pick up your **ID Card** and wear it then we know you are safely back ashore.
- 18.2** Competitors leaving the race before finishing shall inform the Race Committee (RC boats or Rescue boats) as soon as possible. If this is not possible the competitor shall inform the Race Office.
- 19. [DP] REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT**
- 19.1** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Technical Inspector. Request for substitution shall be made in writing at the first reasonable opportunity. Forms for replacement are available at the Race Office.
- 20. [DP] EQUIPMENT CHECKS**
- 20.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class Rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the Technical Inspector to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21. SPARE

22. OFFICIAL BOATS

22.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:

- **Race Committee** boats will be marked with a red flag with a white "RC"
- **Safety Leader** will be marked with a white flag with Red "SL"
- **Safety boats** will be marked with a white flag with a black "S1 – S15"
- **Jury boats** will be marked with a white flag with a black "J"
- **Media boats** will be marked with a red flag with a white "P"
- **Class Representative boat** will be marked with a white flag with O'pen Bic Logo

23. [DP][NP] SUPPORT BOATS

23.1 All team support boats shall display the national flag of their country or the national 3 letter code clearly visible on the support boat.

23.2 Coach and support boats shall stay outside areas (75 mt min from any laylines and starting/finishing marks) where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment except to assist a crew in distress or at request of the Race Committee.

23.3 Support boats shall comply with any reasonable request from a race official.

23.4 When **Flag T** is displayed on the Race Committee Signal Vessel with repetitive sound signals all coaches and other support boats shall monitor **VHF channel 77** and go to the Race Committee Signal Vessel to assist in Search and Rescue operations.

23.5 A personal flotation device shall be worn by all support boat personal at all time while afloat.

23.6 **No more than 2 persons will be allowed onboard of any support boats. Support boat drivers and passengers shall use the killcord in the recommended manner.**

23.7 All coach boats shall carry a tow rope (minimum 15 metres long and 8 mm thick).

23.8 An alleged breach of any of the regulations in SI #23 may be referred to the Race Committee and Jury. The Race Committee may instruct the organizing authority to withdraw accreditation and access rights to the regatta venue and the course area from the offending party without the option of replacement during the regatta.

24. [DP] TRASH DISPOSAL

24.1 As sailors, we seek to protect and restore our oceans and coastal waters. Boats shall not intentionally put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. **This changes RRS 55.**

25. PRIZES

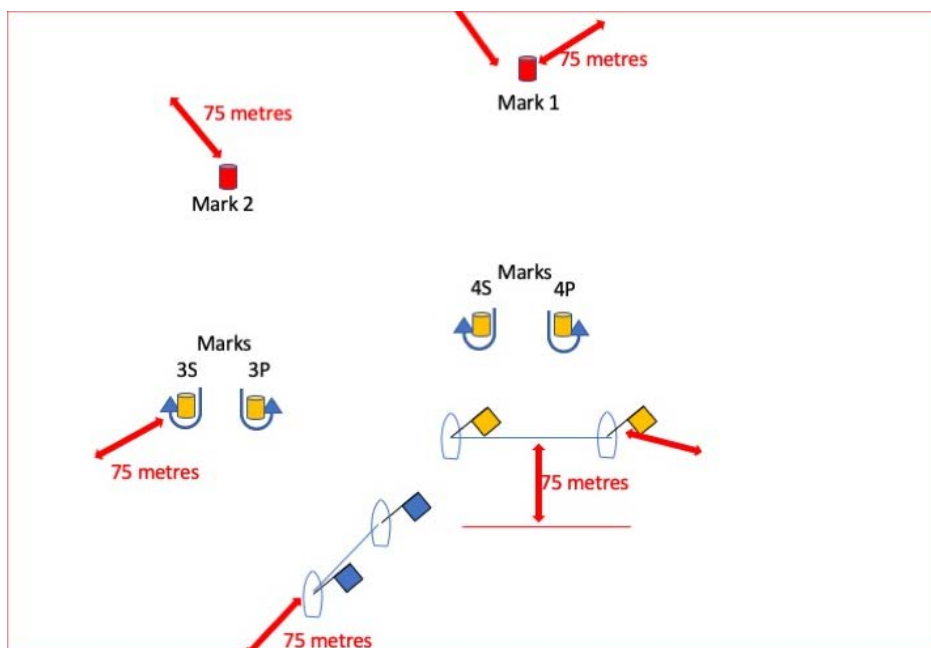
25.1 Prizes will be given according the Notice of Race.

APPENDIX A Racing Area

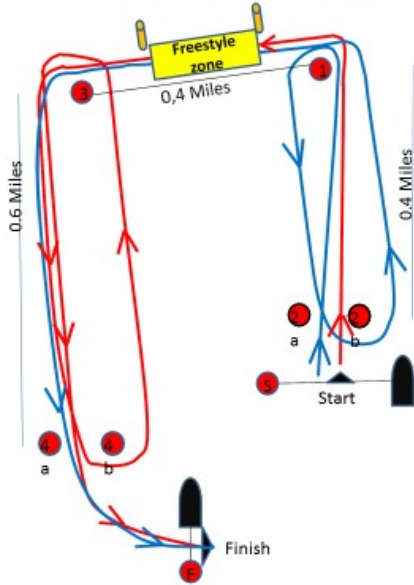
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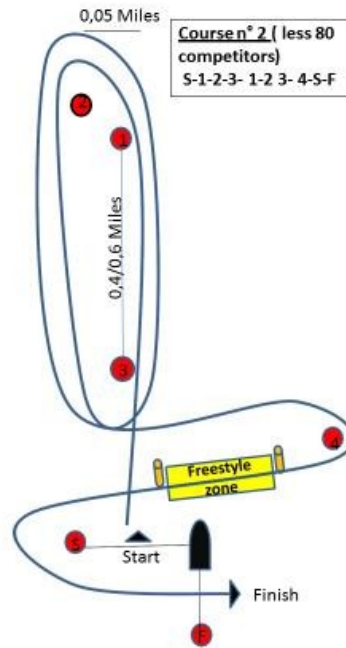
The Course area is defined as follows not closer than 75 metres of any boat racing (except a boat in distress requiring assistance) or to a mark, layline or rhumb line, and inside the course trapezoid. Coach boats shall be at least 75 metres below the starting line or its extensions from the Warning Signal.



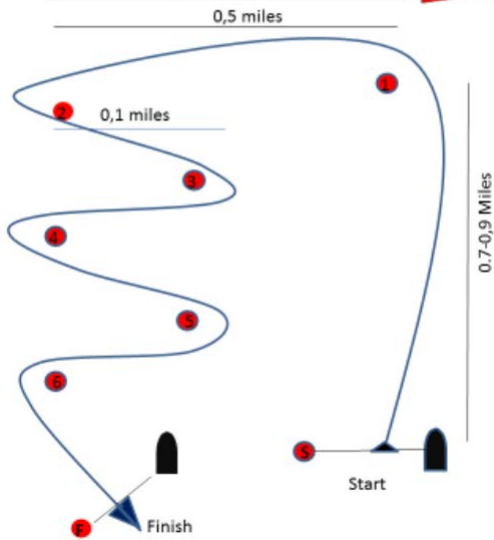
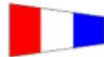
Course n° 1 (over 80 competitors)
 U17 S-1-3-4 a/b-3-4 a/b-F
 U13 S-1-2 a/b-1-3-4 a/b-F



Course n° 2 (less 80 competitors)
 S-1-2-3- 1-2 3- 4-S-F



Course n° 3 bis Slalom wind over 12 nods with Oscar Flag: S-1-2-3- 4-5-6-5



Course n° 4: S-1-2-S-1-2 -S-F

