



44TH AUSTRALIAN SABRE CHAMPIONSHIP

WEDNESDAY 11 TO SATURDAY 14 JANUARY 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organising Authority: Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania

[DP] Discretionary Penalty

[NP] Not protestable by a competitor

1. Organising Authority

Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania.

2. Rules

The Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing and the Prescriptions of Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 – Off The Beach Boats.

Appendix P will apply to this regatta changed so that P2.2 will apply to second and subsequent penalties. P2.3 is deleted.

Appendix T Arbitration will apply to this regatta as changed below.

3. Entries

As per Notice of Race.

4. Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at the RYCT OTB Centre.

5. Changes in Sailing Instructions

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice boards not less than 60 minutes prior to the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

6. Signals Made Ashore

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole at the RYCT OTB Centre.

Flag AP with two sound signals (one when lowered) means “The race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered.” This changes *Race Signals*.

7. Schedule of Events

Day/Date	Action	Time
Wednesday 11 January	Registration	0900- 1100
Wednesday 11 January	Competitor Briefing	1100
Wednesday 11 January	Back-to-Back Championship Races	1300
Thursday 12 January	Back-to-Back Championship Races	1300
Friday 13 January	Back-to-Back Championship Races	1300
Saturday 14 January	Back-to-Back Championship Races	1300
Saturday 14 January	Prize Presentation	1900

After a long postponement, to alert boats that a start sequence will begin soon an orange flag will be displayed with one sound. The orange flag will be displayed for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

There will be no Warning Signal made after 1630 on Saturday 14 January 2023.

There will be a maximum of ten races in the regatta with no more than four races on any one day.

8. Class Flag

Sabre Class insignia on a white background.

9. Racing Area

As shown in NoR Attachment A.

10. Courses

The courses shall be as set out in SI Attachment 1.

11. Marks

1, 2 & 3	Orange inflatable buoy
Starting Line	A yellow & blue inflatable buoy
Finishing Line	Black & white chequered inflatable.
Change of Course	Yellow inflatable.

12. The Start

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end and the starting line mark.

[DP] [NP] A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

13. Change of Course After the Start

A change of course after the start will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not then be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark. This changes Rule 33.

14. The Finish

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee finishing boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

Code Flag L when flown from a race committee boat at the Finish shall mean ***Another Race will start as soon as practical.*** This changes Race Signals.

15. Time Limit

[NP] The time limit for the first boat to reach Mark 1 is 30 minutes and for the first boat to *finish* is 90 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes of the first boat will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes Rule 35.

Target time for a race will be 50 minutes.

Failure to meet target times will not be grounds for redress.

16. Support Boats [DP][NP]

No support boat will go within 100 metres of the course, any racing boat or a *mark* of the course while boats are *racing* unless requested by the Race Committee to do so or in an emergency.

Penalties for a breach of this Sailing Instruction will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee up to and including disqualification of all boats associated with the team or private support boat.

At all times, support boats must be on call on VHF channel 10.

In the State of Tasmania, the law requires that all occupants of powered craft under 6m in length shall wear an approved lifejacket at all times when underway.

17. Measurement

As per Notice of Race.

18. Penalties

Appendix P will apply to this regatta modified so that P2.2 will apply to second and subsequent penalties, and P2.3 is deleted.

A schedule of boats penalised under Rule 42 & Appendix P will be posted on the noticeboard.

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

19. Protests & Requests for Redress

Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the race office no more than 60 minutes after the last boat's finish in the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals 'no more racing today'.

Protests & requests for redress will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

Within 30 minutes of the end of Protest Time, a schedule will be posted on the noticeboard at the RYCT OTB Centre, listing the parties to the protests and any witnesses.

A competitor may not protest on a question of measurement or equipment control later than the normal protest time applying to Race 1 except on the grounds that there has been a subsequent alteration to the boat or its equipment.

On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

In the case of requests for redress relating to Rule 29.1 Individual Recall and Rule 30 Starting Penalties, the requesting party shall hear the race officers' recordings of the starts prior to requesting redress. The recordings will be available at the race office before the end of Protest Time.

Appendix T Arbitration will apply to this regatta amended so that an arbitrator may be part of a protest committee in a subsequent protest.

20. Electronic Communications [DP]

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive electronic communications while racing which are not available to all boats. This includes mobile phones. Race information may be broadcast on VHF Ch 10.

Screen-less GPS tracker devices are allowed.

21. Scoring

As per Notice of Race.

22. Trash Disposal [NP]

Trash may be put on board RC boats.

23. Safety Sign-On/Sign Off [NP]

Daily sign on and sign off will be at the RYCT OTB Centre.

Each competitor shall personally sign on each day before leaving shore for the course area.

Each competitor shall personally sign off each day no later than the end of Protest Time.

Failure to comply with this sailing instruction will incur a 2-point scoring penalty, but not exceeding DNF, applied to the race closest to the breach.

24. Prizes

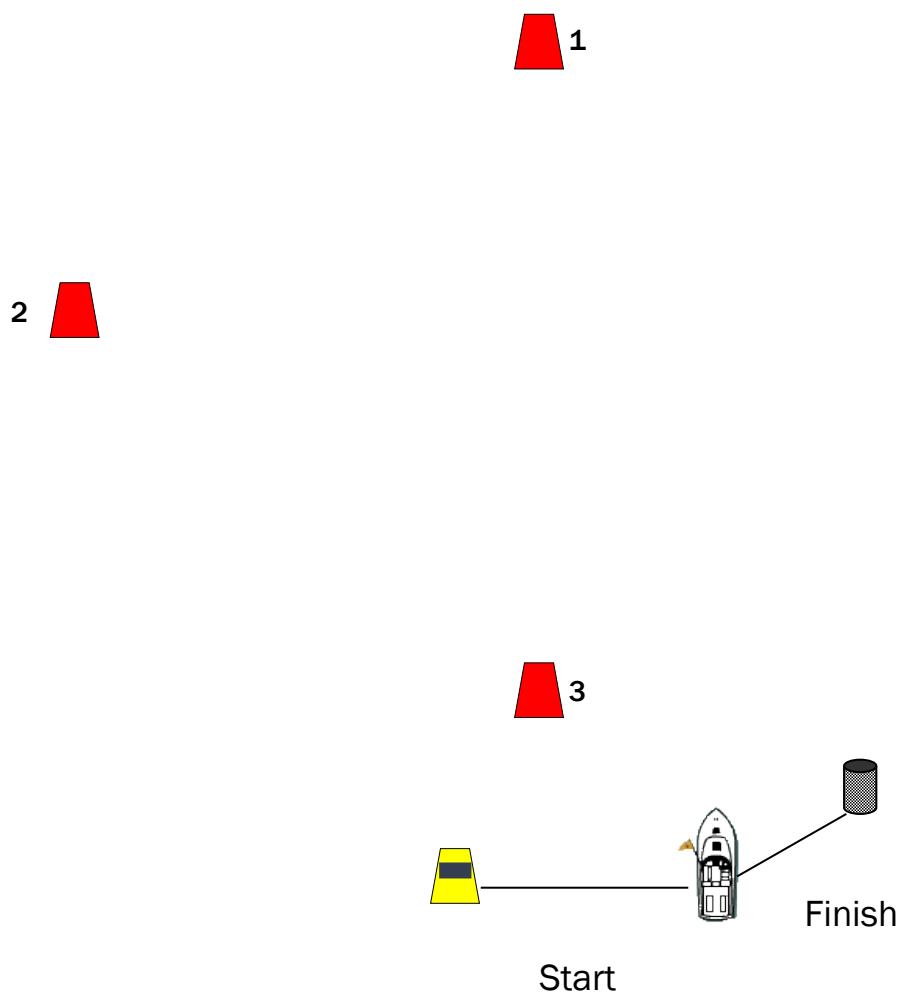
As per Notice of Race.

25. Responsibility

All those participating in the Australian Sabre Championship 2023 regatta races do so entirely at their own risk and responsibility. ATTENTION is drawn to RRS 3 Decision to Race.

The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, the Sabre Sailing Association of Tasmania, the Sabre Sailing Association of Australia, their executives, boards, employees, volunteers, sponsors and agents and all other parties involved with the conduct and organisation of the event disclaim any and every responsibility for loss, damage, injury, death or inconvenience that might occur to persons or property, both ashore or afloat, as a consequence of participation in the race covered by this notice of race and by the sailing instructions.

Attachment 1 – Courses



Change of Course Mark 

Courses

T2 Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - Finish

T3 Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish

All turning marks left to Port.