



SHARPIE TASMANIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Organising Authority: Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

23 & 24 March 2024

1 RULES

As per Notice of Race.

2 ELEGIBILITY

2.1 All competitors shall be members of a club affiliated with AS and financial member of the Tasmanian Sharpie Association

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Off-The-Beach training centre.

4 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board not less than 30 minutes prior to any race in which it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the race day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the OTB Centre.
5.2 Flag AP with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means "The race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered."

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Day & Date	Event	Time
Saturday 23 March 2024	Event Registration	1000 - 1100
Saturday 23 March 2024	Championship Races	First Warning Signal 1300
Sunday 24 March 2024	Championship Races	First Warning Signal 1300

No warning signal will be made after 1630 on Sunday 24 March 2024. There will be no more than five races each day.

7 CLASS FLAG

Sharpie

White flag with Sharpie insignia

8 COURSES

The diagram in Addendum A shows the courses including the approximate angles between legs and the order in which marks are to be passed. There will be a target time of 45 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress.

All turning marks to be left to Port.

9 MARKS

Mark 1A and Mark 2 will be yellow inflatables, Mark 4 will be an orange and white inflatable. The Start mark will be a yellow inflatable with a blue band. The Finish mark will be a black & white chequered inflatable.

10 SIGN ON, SIGN OFF

10.1 Each boat shall personally sign on before the start of the first race of each day and sign off within one hour of the finish of the last boat in the last race of the day. Sign on and sign off will be at the OTB Centre. Failure to sign on will result in that boat being penalised three places in the first race of the day, but not worse than DNF. Failure to sign off shall result in that boat being penalised three places in the last race of the day but not worse than DNF. This changes rule 63.1. If races are sailed "back-to-back", boats are required to sign on and sign off once only for the two races.

10.2 Boats that launch from locations other than RYCT will be permitted to sign on by hailing the start boat prior to the start of their first race on each day.

10.3 All boats shall, before their warning signal is made, register with the Race Committee boat by sailing close to the boat and hailing their sail number.

11 THE START

Races will be started as follows:

Warning Signal	Class Flag	3 Minutes before Start
Preparatory Signal	P, U or Black Flag	2 Minutes before Start
Preparatory Signal Removed		1 Minute before Start
Starting Signal	Class Flag Removed	At Start

This changes RRS 26.

The starting line will be between a mast flying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end, and the start mark at the port end.

A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing.

12 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 mark may not then be in the new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the repositioned mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff or mast bearing a blue flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end, and the finishing mark at the outer end.

14 TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 60 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat finishes or within the time limit, whichever is earlier, will be scored DNF. This changes Rule 35.

15 PROTESTS

- Protests shall be delivered to the race office within Protest Time, which will be one hour after the last boat finishes the last race of the day, or the Race Committee abandons racing.
- Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.
- Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing to which they are parties or named as witnesses.

16 SCORING

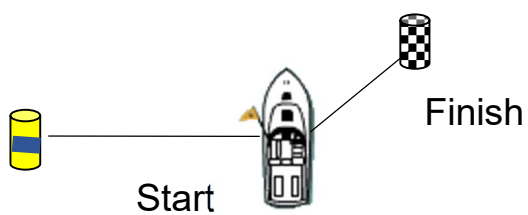
- There will be a maximum of six races. A minimum of two races will constitute a series.
- If fewer than five races are completed a boat's score will be the total of her series scores.
- If five or more races are completed a boat's score will be the total of her series scores excluding her worst score.

Races will be scored on Elapsed Time (ET) and Performance Handicap System (PHS).

17 PRIZES

Prizes will be as set out in the Notice of Race.

Addendum A – Courses



Course 1: Start – 1A – 2 – 4 – 1A – 4 – 1A – 2 – 4 – Finish (Two triangles)

Course 2: Start – 1A – 2 – 4 – 1A – 4 – 1A – 4 – Finish (One triangle)

All turning marks to be left to Port.