

# GIRLSAIL

**TOORAK COLLEGE**  
**in association with Davey's Bay Yacht Club**  
**as Organising Authority**

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**Davey's Bay Yacht Club, Mount Eliza**  
**Friday, 23rd February 2024**

*The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).*

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 All races will be umpired as provided in the Notice of Race and Attachment **B** – Rules for Boat Handling.
- 1.3 Teams will be required to wear numbered bibs for identification purposes. These will be supplied at registration and worn outside all other clothing whilst afloat. Bibs are to be returned to registration after racing.
- 1.4 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be considered as misconduct. **[DP]**

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

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect. There will be no change to the schedule of races.
- 2.2 When flag 'L' is displayed on the Race Committee starting vessel, competitors shall come within hail, and ascertain any change to the sailing instructions, which may be communicated orally.

### **3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the windows of the boat display room adjacent to the training room of the Davey's Bay Yacht Club.
- 3.2 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. **[DP]**

## 4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials. [DP]

4.2 Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality. [DP]

## 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole adjacent to the Davey's Bay Yacht Club tower.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in the race signal AP.

## 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Dates of racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Time (Warning Signal)</i>
Friday 23rd February 2024	Information Session	0830 hrs
Friday 23rd February 2024	Racing	0900 hrs – 1600 hrs
Friday 23rd February 2024	Presentation	1630 hrs

The initial draw of teams in each Division will be in accordance with Attachment A and **will be available at Registration**. Attachment A for each division will be based on the number of teams entered in the division. It also outlines the order in which fleets will be raced.

6.2 There will be a short break between the qualifying rounds and the finals whilst the finals fleets are determined.

6.3 No warning signal will be made after 16:00 hrs.

## 7 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

Class                      Flag

1<sup>st</sup> Division              Naval numeral 1



2<sup>nd</sup> Division              Naval numeral 2



## 8 RACING AREAS

The racing areas will be in as close proximity to the Davey's Bay Yacht Club as allowed by the conditions on the day.

## 9 THE COURSES

9.1 The diagrams in Attachment C show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

- 9.2** No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg and the course to be sailed on the course board at the stern of the boat.
- 9.3** Courses will not be shortened, however the Race Committee may consider abandoning a race as per RRS 32.1. This changes RRS 32.
- 9.4** RRS 33 does not apply. Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal.

## **10 MARKS**

- 10.1** Marks will be as described on the course diagrams in Attachment C.
- 10.2** Where only 1 mark is present where there should be a gate the remaining mark shall be rounded to Port.

## **11 THE START**

- 11.1** Races will be started with the Warning signal being made **3** minutes before the starting signal and the Preparatory signal **2** minutes before the Starting signal. This changes RRS 26.
- 11.2** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.4** If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 11.5** A boat that does not start within **2** minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## **12 THE FINISH**

- 12.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag or shape on a race committee vessel and the course side of the port-end finishing mark

## **13 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

- 13.1** The target time for each race will be 10 to 20 minutes.
- 13.2** Boats failing to finish within 3 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be finished on the water in their current position.
- 13.3** Failure to achieve the target time for a race shall not be grounds for redress. This alters RRS **35**, **62.1(a)**, **A4** and **A5**.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1** Boats intending to protest or request redress shall inform the umpire immediately or the committee vessel upon finishing the race concerned. A hearing will be conducted on the water as soon as possible if arbitration is not successful.

## **15 SCORING**

**15.1** The Low Point Score system as per RRS Appendix A4 will apply. Teams will be assigned to a fleet in a Division. Fleets will sail multiple races in qualifying rounds.

A complete round is where all teams in a division have sailed an equal number of races.

### **15.2 For each Division:**

a) A Team's Qualifying series score shall be the total of her race scores of completed qualifying rounds. Partially completed rounds will not contribute.

b) 3 Complete Qualifying rounds shall be sailed to constitute a Series for that Division.

c) At the end of the Qualifying series the teams will be divided based on their scores into Gold Fleet and Silver fleet

d) For the Finals series, the number of rounds to be sailed for each fleet will be announced prior to the start of the Finals.

e) A Teams Final Series score shall be the total of her race scores in the Finals. If Finals are not sailed the Qualifying series scores shall be the Final Series score.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

### **16.1 Personal Buoyancy**

Approved personal buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors at all times while afloat. Wet or dry suits do not constitute approved personal buoyancy. Flag Y will not be displayed. This alters the preamble to Part 4, RRS 40 and race signal Y.

**[DP] [NP]**

### **16.2 Retirement Afloat**

Any boat retiring from a race shall, when possible, notify an official vessel before leaving the racing area. **[DP] [NP]**

### **16.3 Signing On and Off**

All teams that register and are included in the draw will be deemed to have signed on. There will be no requirement to sign off. **[DP] [NP]**

### **16.4 Rescue Boats**

Competitors in difficulty are requested to respect the instructions of the rescue boat crews. **[DP] [NP]**

## **17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW**

**17.1** Crews may only be interchanged in exceptional circumstances with the prior approval of the Race Committee. **[DP]**

## **18 SUPPLIED BOATS**

**18.1** Boats will be supplied by the organizing authority. Class Rules will not apply.

## **19 SUPPORT TEAMS**

**19.1** This is not a coaching regatta. Team Managers and coaches will only be permitted to go on the water during racing if they are by prior arrangement assisting the race management team in some capacity on a boat organised by the organising authority. Competitors and Schools attention is drawn to the provisions of RRS 4. **[DP] [NP]**

## **20 TRASH DISPOSAL**

**20.1** Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats. **[NP]**

# Attachment A – Girlsail 2024 Race Schedule **SAMPLE ONLY**

Div 1 Qualifying Round 1			Div 1 Qualifying Round 2			Div 1 Qualifying Round 3			
DIV 1 FLEET 1		DIV 1 FLEET 2	DIV 1 FLEET 3		DIV 1 FLEET 4	DIV 1 FLEET 5		DIV 1 FLEET 6	
TEAM bib #	BOAT #	TEAM bib #	BOAT #	TEAM bib #	BOAT #	TEAM bib #	BOAT #	TEAM bib #	BOAT #
1	D1	21	D1	21	D1	6	D1	1	D1
2	D2	22	D2	22	D2	7	D2	2	D2
3	D3	23	D3	23	D3	8	D3	3	D3
4	D4	24	D4	24	D4	9	D4	4	D4
5	D5	25	D5	25	D5	25	D5	5	D5
6	D6	26	D6	6	D6	26	D6	21	D6
7	D7	27	D7	7	D7	27	D7	22	D7
8	D8	28	D8	8	D8	28	D8	23	D8
9	D9	29	D9	9	D9	29	D9	24	D9

  

Div 2 Qualifying Round 1			Div 2 Qualifying Round 2			Div 2 Qualifying Round 3			
DIV 2 FLEET 1		DIV 2 FLEET 2	DIV 2 FLEET 3		DIV 2 FLEET 4	DIV 2 FLEET 5		DIV 2 FLEET 6	
TEAM bib #	BOAT #	TEAM bib #	BOAT #	TEAM bib #	BOAT #	TEAM bib #	BOAT #	TEAM bib #	BOAT #
51	Y1	71	Y1	71	Y1	74	Y1	51	Y1
52	Y2	72	Y2	72	Y2	75	Y2	52	Y2
53	Y3	73	Y3	73	Y3	76	Y3	53	Y3
54	Y4	74	Y4	54	Y4	51	Y4	71	Y4
55	Y5	75	Y5	55	Y5	52	Y5	72	Y5
56	Y6	76	Y6	56	Y6	53	Y6	73	Y6

## Order of Fleets - **SAMPLE** showing 2 races sailed per fleet per round

- Division 1 Fleet 1 Race 1
- Division 2 Fleet 1 Race 1
- Division 1 Fleet 1 Race 2
- Division 2 Fleet 1 Race 2
- end of round 1                      changeover to next fleets

# ATTACHMENT B

## RULES FOR BOAT HANDLING [DP]

### 1. GENERAL

- 1.1. While all reasonable steps are taken to equalise boats, variations will not be grounds for redress (amends Rule 62).
- 1.2. Immediately after changeover competitors shall inspect their boat and report any breakdowns to the race committee at the changeover point.
- 1.3. All teams shall share the work of positioning, rigging, de-rigging, cleaning, securing and storing the boats and shall assist with any related Race Committee request.
- 1.4. Before starting and after finishing or retiring, boats shall sail to minimise any delay to the race schedule, handing over their boat as empty of water as practical, in racing trim and without interfering with any race in progress.

### 2. PROHIBITED ITEMS AND ACTIONS

- 2.1. The following are prohibited:
  - The adjustment or use of equipment or fittings for the purpose other than that intended.
  - Any additions or alterations of equipment supplied.
  - Adjusting or halyard or stay tension.

### 3 PERMITTED ITEMS AND ACTIONS

- 3.1 All fittings or equipment designated to be adjusted may be adjusted except those items listed in Item 2.
- 3.2 Cameras may be mounted on boats, but mounting or removing shall not delay racing or changeovers. A copy of the footage must be available to Davey's Bay Yacht Club and Toorak College for promotional purposes.

# Attachment C - Courses

