



# WA 9er State CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

The Cruising Yacht Club of WA



The Cruising Yacht Club of WA & WA9er Association  
(Organising Authority)

Saturday 29 to Sunday 30 March 2025

## Sailing Instructions

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the following rules:
  - a) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS),
  - b) Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 2 for Off the Beach Boats,
  - c) The Class Rules (except where any of these are altered by the Sis)
  - d) RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, shall apply
- 1.2 Racing Rules will be changed as follows:
  - a) RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.3 The SI takes precedence when there is a difference between the Notice of Race (NoR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI).

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official noticeboard located at the Clubhouse.

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1700 on the day before it will take effect.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast situated at the Clubhouse lawn area.
- 4.2 When flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than 30 minutes" in Race Signals AP.
- 4.3 When flag "D" is displayed ashore this means, "Boats shall not leave the shore.". This adds to race signals. [DP]



Flag 'D'

## 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The regatta will consist of up to 10 races.
- 5.2 There shall be a maximum of 6 races per day.
- 5.3 There will be no warning signal made after 1600 on Sunday 30 March 2025.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
<b>Sat 29 March 2025</b>	0700 – 0930	Measurement / Registration
	0930	Volunteers Briefing
	0945	Competitor Briefing
	1100	Racing – 1 <sup>st</sup> Warning
		Subsequent Races to follow
<b>Sun 30 March 2025</b>	1000	Racing – 1 <sup>st</sup> Warning
		Subsequent Races to follow
		There may be a lunch break
	1600	No warning signal after 1600
		Prize Presentation as soon as practical after racing

## 6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 29er 29er class flag.
- 6.2 29er XS 29er XS class flag
- 6.3 49er 49er class flag



## 7. RACING AREAS

- 7.1 Racing will be conducted in the water directly out from TCYC

## 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 Attachment A shows 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. MARKS

- 9.1 Marks are as described in Attachment A.

## 10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 amended as follows:

Minutes before Starting Signal	Visual Signal	Sound Signal	Meaning
<b>3</b>	Class flag	One	Warning signal
<b>2</b>	P, U or Black flag	One	Preparatory signal
<b>1</b>	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute to start signal
<b>0</b>	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

11. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of starting mark at the port end.
12. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [SCP]
13. A boat that does not start within 2 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing.
14. A buoy may be attached to the Race Committee boat. Boats shall not pass between this buoy and the Race Committee boat at any time.

## 15. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 15.1 During the race, the course will not be changed.

## 16. THE FINISH

- 16.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a Blue Finish flag on the Race Committee boat and the course side of the starboard end finishing mark.

## 17. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 17.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 17.2 Appendix T – Arbitration shall apply.
- 17.3 [DP] Discretionary Penalty – the penalty for a breach of this rule may at the discretion of the Protest Committee (PC), be less than disqualification.
- 17.4 [SCP] Scoring Penalty – for some specific breaches of the rules, the Race Committee (RC) may apply a scoring penalty [SCP] without a hearing. The RC may still protest a boat when they consider the SCP inappropriate. A boat may request redress when they believe the application of the SCP improper. The scoring penalty is 2 points
- 17.5 [NP] Breaches of the SI's marked [NP] will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

## 18. TIME LIMIT & TARGET TIMES

- 18.1 The target time for both fleets is 30 minutes.
- 18.2 The time limit for the first boat is 45 minutes.
- 18.3 The finish window is 15 minutes.
- 18.4 If no boat has passed Mark 1 (29er) or Mark 2 (29er XS) within 15 minutes, the race will be abandoned.
- 18.5 If no boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit for the first boat, then the race will be abandoned.
- 18.6 Boats failing to finish within the time stated in the finish window after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 18.7 Failure to meet target times will not be grounds for redress. [NP]

## 19. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 19.1 Protest forms will be available at the Club desk.
- 19.2 The hearing requests shall be delivered to the Race office within the protest time limit which is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

- 19.3 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 witnesses. Arbitration will be held in the Off the Beach Area. Full Hearings will be held in the Protest Room located in the main clubhouse beginning at the time posted.

## **20 SCORING**

- 20.1 The low point scoring system, Appendix A shall apply.
- 20.2 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 20.3 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 20.4 When 6 to 8 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 20.5 When 9 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.
- 20.6 Requests for scoring review may be lodged with the Race Office

## **21 SIGN ON AND SIGN OFF [SCP]**

- 21.1 "Sign on/off" – A boat shall complete the "sign on" which will be available at least 1 hour before the 1<sup>st</sup> warning signal of the day.
- 21.2 Boats shall "Sign Off" before the protest time limit expires.
- 21.3 Retirement from a race – A boat that retires shall notify a Race Committee boat and complete the "Sign Off" immediately upon returning to shore.
- 21.4 Boats that fail to "Sign On or Off" shall receive a [SCP] without a hearing for each breach.

## **22 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]**

- 22.1 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **23. OFFICIAL BOATS [NP]**

- 23.1 Official boats will be marked 'Safety'.

## **24 SUPPORT BOATS [DP]**

- 24.1 Support and coach boats shall register with the OA.
- 24.2 All support and coach boats shall keep clear of the racing areas while boats are racing (except when rendering assistance to a boat in distress).
- 24.3 Support and coach boats shall remain at least 50 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 24.4 All support and coach boats are required to have VHF radio and maintain a listening watch on VHF a channel specified by the Race Committee.
- 24.5 All occupants of support / coach boats less than 6m LOA shall wear an approved PFD whilst afloat.
- 24.6 When requested by the Race Committee, support and coach boats shall render assistance as and when required.

## **25 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

## **26 PRIZES – refer to the NoR**

- 26.1 Final presentations will be held in the Clubhouse of The Cruising Yacht Club of WA commencing as soon as practicable following racing on the final day.
- 26.2 Overall prizes will be awarded as follows:
- 26.3 Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> overall.
- 26.4 The WA 29er State Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the first placed WA entrant.
- 26.5 The Junior Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the first placed WA skipper and crew who are both under 16 years old on the 31st December 2025 (team can be male, female or mixed).
- 26.6 A prize will be awarded to the first placed all female team.
- 26.7 A prize will be awarded to the first placed 29er XS team and 49er team.
- 26.8 Further prizes may be given at the discretion of the Organising Authority

## **27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **28 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD10 million per incident or the equivalent.

## **29 MEDIA DISCLAIMER**

Competitors agree to grant the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make use, and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

## **30 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact:

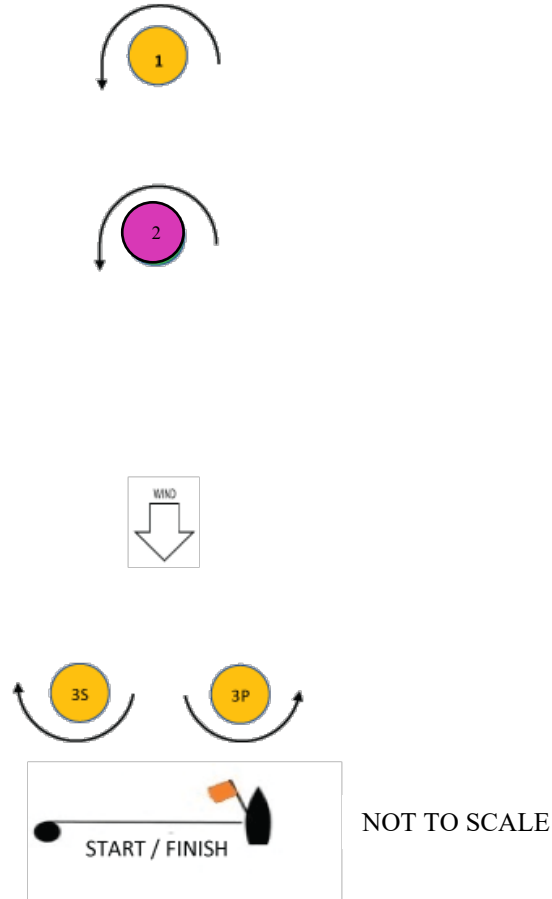
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
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
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Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025

## ATTACHMENT A – COURSES



	SIGNAL	29er XS – MARK ROUNDING ORDER
1		Start – 2 – Finish
2		Start – 2 - 3S/3P – 2 – Finish
3		Start – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 – Finish

	SIGNAL	29er – MARK ROUNDING ORDER
1		Start – 1 – Finish
2		Start – 1 - 3S/3P – 1– Finish
3		Start – 1 – 3S/3P – 1 – 3S/3P – 1– Finish

### DESCRIPTION OF MARKS

Mark 1, 3s/3p	Orange buoys
Mark 2	Pink buoy
Start/Finish Pin	Float with Orange Flag
Change of Mark	Green buoy