

HBSC Regattas
Hamilton Bay Sailing Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Seasonal Races

The Doug Kelley Regatta	Saturday, June 22nd
Woman's Helm Regatta	Saturday, Aug 17th
First mates and New Skippers Regatta	Saturday, Aug 17th
Turkey Regatta	Saturday, Oct 5 th

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 No other prescriptions or documents will apply.
- 1.4 The sailing instructions may change racing rules.

1. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 1.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Hamilton Bay Sailing Club.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 9:00 AM on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 10:00 PM on the day before it will take effect.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Hamilton Bay Sailing Club.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 Dates of racing: See list above
- 4.2 There will be a maximum of 7 races.
- 4.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 11:00 AM.
- 4.4 No warning signal will be made after 4:00 PM.

5. CLASS FLAGS

- 5.1 Races will be started with the Albacore class flag.

6. RACING AREAS

- 6.1 Races will be held in the western end of Hamilton Harbour.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 The course shall be triangle-windward-leeward.
- 7.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the mark rounding order for the race.

8. MARKS

- 8.1 Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be inflatable orange tetrahedrons.
- 8.2 The starting and finishing marks will be an orange buoy.

9. THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 9.2 The starting line will be between an orange buoy on the port side of the committee boat and the orange mark on the mast of the committee boat..
- 9.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between the orange mark on the mast of the committee boat and an orange buoy on the starboard side of the committee boat..

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 Rule 44 shall apply.

13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 13.1 Time limits are as follows:
 - (a)30 minutes for the first boat to reach Mark 1.
 - (b)60 minutes for the first boat to Complete The Race.
- 13.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.
- 13.3 If no boat has finished the race within the Complete The Race time limit the race may be abandoned.
- 13.4 Boats failing to finish within 9 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest forms are available from the race committee. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race chair within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the committee boat has docked.
- 14.3 Notice(s) 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. Hearings will be held in the club, beginning at the time posted on the notice(s).
- 14.4 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

15. SCORING

- 15.1 Low Point System of Appendix A.
- 15.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

- 15.4** When from 4 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15.5** When 7 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

17. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 18.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 20.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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.

21. INSURANCE

- 21.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.