



AUSTRALIAN 16ft SKIFF & 13ft SKIFF CHAMPIONSHIP

1st January 2018 – 7th January 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

Organised By

The Australian 16ft Skiff Association Inc.

Hosted By

The Middle Harbour 16ft Skiff Club
The Spit, Mosman, NSW 2088

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing as amended.
- 1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing will apply – Part 2 - Off-the-Beach Boats
- 1.3 The rules of the Australian 16' Skiff and 13' Skiff Associations only where they do not conflict with the RRS and the Australian Sailing Prescriptions and Special Regulations, except as any of these are altered by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 In the event of a conflict the Sailing Instructions (SI) shall prevail.
- 1.5 Sub-paragraph (2) of RRS 61.1 (a) is deleted (i.e. *"if the hull length of the protesting boat is less than 6 metres, she need not display the red flag;"*) Thus, a skiff wishing to protest another skiff for an incident in the racing area **SHALL** conspicuously display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity and continue to display it until she is no longer racing.
- 1.6 All Skiffs while afloat shall carry the following safety equipment:
 - 1.6.1. A shackle key to unfasten or unrig.
 - 1.6.2. Each crew member of a Skiff must carry a Safety Knife.
 - 1.6.3. An orange flag or similar (approx. size 600mmx200mm) to be displayed or waved in an overhead arc in the event that the skiff requires immediate outside assistance.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 All advertising will be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.2 In the event a major sponsor is secured for the regatta all Skiffs competing may be required to display advertising in a nominated position/s. Failure to do so may be seen as a breach of the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.3 Competitors in the 16ft skiff class may be required to display the Australian 16ft skiff logo which is to be applied to the starboard side along the foot of both registered mainsails. The logos will be provided by the Australian 16ft Skiff Association to promote the 16ft skiff Class.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all 16ft Skiff and 13ft Skiff boats who meet the following criteria:
 - Registered with a State Class Association
 - All crew are members of a yacht or sailing club affiliated with a State Yachting Authority and Australian Sailing; and
 - AS sailor Identification number shall be produced on request.
- 3.2 Entries can be made via the online entry form which can be found under the "events" tab on the Australian 16' Skiff Association website.
- 3.3 Entries close 11th December 2017.
- 3.4 Late entries will be accepted up to 10:00hrs, 22nd December 2017 which must include \$100.00 late entry fee for (16ft skiffs) and \$50.00 for (13ft skiffs). No entry will be accepted after this time.

4. FEES

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows:
- 4.2 16ft Skiffs: Entry fee - \$10.00, Regatta Fee - \$340.00; TOTAL FEE: \$350.00
- 4.3 13ft Skiffs: Entry fee - \$10.00, Regatta Fee - \$90.00; TOTAL FEE: \$100.00
- 4.4 *Late Entry Fees apply for entries received after 11th December 2017 and before 10:00hrs on 22nd December 2017.*

5. SCHEDULE

Date	Event	Time/First Warning Signal
Monday 1 st January 2018	Registration	13:00 -16:00hrs
	Pre – regatta conference and AGM	16:00hrs.
Tuesday 2 nd January 2018	Competitor briefing	Not before 11:30hrs.
	Race 1	Not before 14:25 hrs.
Wednesday 3 rd January 2018	Race 2	Not before 14:25 hrs.
Thursday 4 th January 2018	Race 3 Race 4 (Will be back to back with Race 3)	Race 3 not before 12:55 hrs.
Friday 5 th January 2018	Lay Day. Possible re-sail day.	
Saturday 6 th January 2018	Race 5 Race 6 (Will be back to back with Race 5)	Race 5 not before 12:55 hrs.
Sunday 7 th January 2018	Post regatta conference	09:00 hrs.
	Race 7	Not before 11:55 hrs.
	Presentation (Championship) at MH16'SC	18:30hrs.

5.1 If the Race Committee reschedules races no more than 3 races will be scheduled on any one day.

6. MEASUREMENTS

6.1 All skiffs may be subject to measurement and safety checks at any time throughout the regatta. A boat or crew which fails such inspection will be subject to protest and subsequent disqualification.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on line at the 16' Skiff Association website and the Middle Harbour 16' Skiff Club website no later than 18:00hrs on Friday 29th December 2017 and in paper form at registration on Monday 1st January 2018.

8. VENUE

8.1 The regatta venue is the Middle Harbour 16ft Skiff Club, 237 Spit Rd, Mosman.

8.2 Attachment A shows the location of the racing area.

9. THE COURSES

Courses will be as shown in attachment A.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

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

11. SCORING

- 11.1 The Low Point Scoring System and other relevant provisions of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2 Seven (7) races are scheduled, of which five (5) shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.3 In the event that only five (5) races shall be completed, a boat's total score shall be the sum of its scores for all races.
- 11.4 When 6-7 races are completed a boat's score will be the sum of its scores for all races excluding her worst score.

12. 13ft SKIFF – AGE RESTRICTION

- 12.1 To be eligible to win or score a place in the 2017 - 18 Australian 13ft Skiff Championship, a male skipper or crew must have been under twenty-three (23) years of age as at 1 October 2017 as per Class Rule 12.2.
- 12.2 To be eligible to win or score a place in the 2017 -18 Australian 13ft Skiff Championship, a female skipper or crew must have been under twenty-six (26) years of age as at 1 October 2017 as per Class Rule 12.3. This age limit is extended to thirty (30) years of age but only where the female is a skipper, her crew is a male under 23 years age and he is being trained to advance into a 16ft skiff.
- 12.3 In accordance with Rule 12.4, however, a parent may sail with their child in the 2017-18 Australian 13ft Skiff Championship, providing the child is the skipper and is under the 23 year age restriction for males as provided in Class Rule 12.2 or the 26 year age restriction for females as provided in Class Rule 12.3, however, they will not be eligible to win or score a place in the Championship. (Note: for clarification, a skiff meeting the criteria of Class Rule 12.4 may complete in the Championship, however it is not eligible to be recorded as a winner or a place getter for the overall Championship. The skiff may, however, be recorded as a winner or place getter in each race in the Championship, however the skiff's total score will be discarded for the purpose of the final point score. Where such a discard occurs, no subsequent adjustment will be made to the points by any other eligible skiff in any race in the series.)

13. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats will register with the Race Committee at the Race Office and be issued with a support boat flag and pay a \$50.00 refundable deposit for said flag.

Coaches and other support personnel shall remain a minimum of 100 metres from all competing skiffs from the time of the preparatory signal for the start until the skiff has finished or the race committee signals a race postponement or abandonment. A skiff which has been flagged as finished or has retired may be approached by support personnel provided it is clear of the race area. The penalty for failing to keep clear could result in disqualification of boats associated with the support personnel.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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.

15. TELEVISION AND MEDIA

Attendance at a media/press conference each day may be required for the top three competitors as well as individual heat winners if this is to occur. Suitable notification will be given.

16. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in an event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organizing Authority and the sponsors of the event, 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 him/her during the period of the competition for said event in which the competitor participated and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

17. PRIZES

Medallions, Ribbons and Pewter's will be awarded in accordance with the ASSA rules. Other daily prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the host club.

18. DISCLAIMER OF ENTRY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authorities of the Australian 16ft Association and the host club the Middle Harbour 16ft Skiff Club 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 nor for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment for damage which may result from competing in this event.

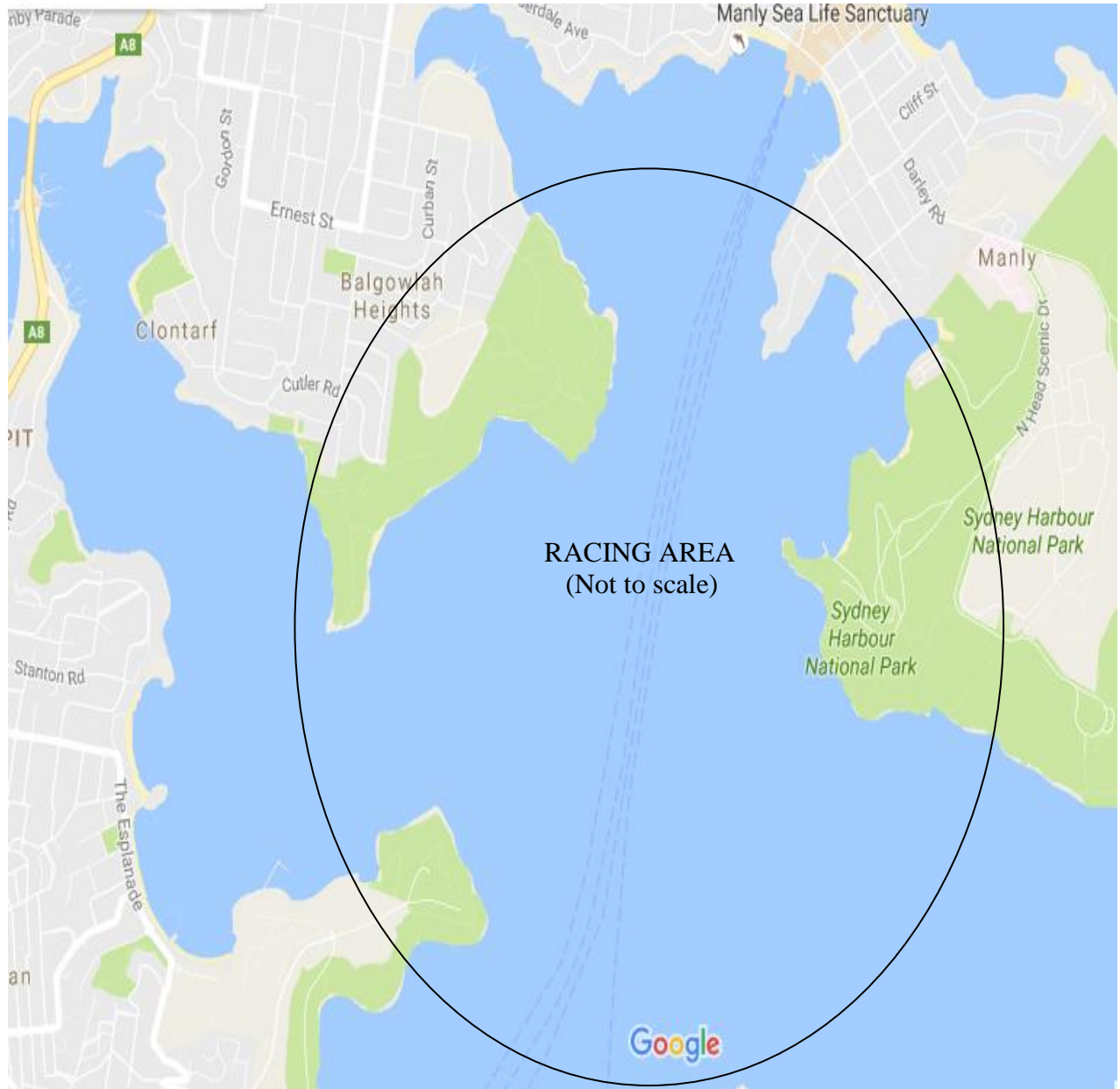
19. INSURANCE

All boats shall have an appropriate, current and valid Third Party Liability Insurance Policy with a minimum cover of \$5 million for the duration of the regatta.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

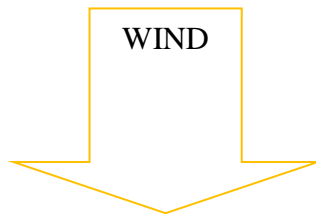
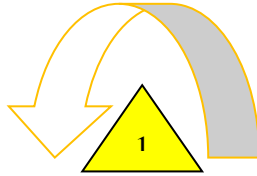
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ATTACHMENT A

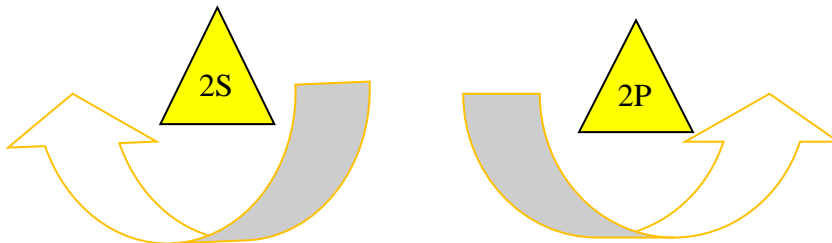


Course Diagram

Note: Course diagram is NOT to scale and is showing approximate mark locations only.



Skiffs may round either Mark 2P or 2S



Pin Boat

Start Line



Start / Finish line



COURSE DESCRIPTION

Mark 1 is passed to port.

Mark 2P is passed to port.








Mark 2S is passed to starboard.

When approaching downwind skiffs may round either Mark 2P or 2S.

Skiffs sailing their last leg to the finish are not required to pass between Marks 2P and 2S.

Designation	Sequence of mark rounding
13's course	Start - 1 - 2S or 2P -1- Finish (The total number of times to Mark 1 will be displayed on Race Committee boat prior to warning signal)
16's course	Start - 1 - 2S or 2P - 1 – Finish (The total number of times to Mark 1 will be displayed on Race Committee boat prior to warning signal)

Numeral pennants/course to be sailed:

- 1  Start-1-Finish
- 2  Start-1-2S/2P-1-Finish
- 3  Start-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-Finish
- 4  Start-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-Finish
- 5  Start-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-Finish
- 6  Start-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-Finish
- 7  Start-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-2S/2P-1-Finish