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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GUIDE TO COMPETITORS INTENDING TO SAIL AT MBSC (part By-laws)

1.1 BOAT REGISTRATION

Boats must be registered with the Club each season. The owner must be a financial member of the Club to register a boat. Please complete a registration form available from the Club office or the club website and pay the required registration fee. Stickers issued must be displayed on the boat's transom.

1.2 BOAT NAME/SAIL NO.

The name of the boat, registered sail number and name of Club must be displayed on the outside of the hull. It is recommended that the name of the boat should also be clearly marked on all spars and equipment in case of loss or theft.

1.3 BOAT STORAGE

Registered boats may be stored on Club premises. Boat storage forms are available from the Club office and there are storage fees. Storage stickers issued must be displayed on the boat's transom. **Boats stored at the Club are entirely at the owner's risk.**

1.4 CREW

It is the responsibility of Owners and Class Captains to ensure that helmspersons and crewpersons are financial members of the Club. Non-financial member "crewpersons" are permitted to sail **in only three** MBSC events before they must become financial members.

1.5 INVITATION RACES

MBSC Class Captains may, with the approval of the Sailing Committee, declare any Club event an Invitation Race for their class to promote the Club, the class and competition.



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1.6 RIGGING AREA

Access ways must be kept clear. Boats must not remain lying on their sides any longer than necessary for rigging adjustments. Members wishing to rig and sail boats not scheduled to race, must not hinder or occupy space required by fleets racing on any particular day. The line of vision between the Club finish box and the finishing mark **shall be kept clear** by all boats ashore.

1.7 TRAILERS, CRADLES & TROLLEYS

Car trailers, cradles and trolleys must not remain within 10 metres of the water's edge, ramp area or in access ways of rigging areas. Car trailers must be removed from rigging areas as soon as possible - parking is available outside the Club grounds for car trailers.

1.8 CLASS CAPTAINS

Make yourself known to your Class Captain and check with them on race days on anything specific to your class fleet.

1.9 RACING RULES OF SAILING (RRS)

The RRS is available from most chandleries or On-line.

1.10 RACE BRIEFING

A race briefing will be held after training for junior training/racing classes on race days. A briefing will be held at 1300hrs (or otherwise advised) for all other competitors, start team, mark laying and safety boat personnel on race days.



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2 NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 RULES

2.1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2.1.2 The prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing will apply. Attention is drawn to AS Special Regulation Part 2, regulations 1.02 and 5.01.

2.1.3 Yachting WA Special Regulations for Ballasted Keelboats sailing in Twilight Events on the Swan River shall apply to the Cruiser Division twilight events.

2.1.4 If there is a conflict between these Sailing Instructions and Sailing Instructions issued for a special event, the Sailing Instructions issued for the special event shall prevail.

2.1.5 The Race Committee shall, except in respect of Rule 62, comprise of the Rear Commodore, Sailing, Officer of the Day and the Race Officer of the Day or delegate.

2.1.6 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

2.2 ENTRY & ELIGIBILITY

2.2.1 To enter a race, the helmsperson must "sign-on" (see instruction 20) on the class race registration sheet provided.

2.2.2 By entering a race, a boat is deemed to have been entered in any "series" or "mini-series" in which the race is part thereof.

2.2.3 Other than for Invitation Races, each boat shall be registered with the Club and the helmsperson and crew (see Rule 56) shall be financial ordinary members of the Club.

2.2.4 All scheduled dinghy races are Invitation Races for "Fremantle Sailing Club dinghy members".

2.3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located adjacent to the Club office (or the twilight starter's trolley in the case of Cruiser Twilight events).

2.4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted or communicated orally to the Club class captain (or delegate) by the race officer (or delegate), no less than 45 minutes



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before the warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before it will take effect.

2.4.2 Changes to the sailing instructions may be communicated on the water to each boat, orally by the race committee or written on a board, when code flag L is displayed on the race committee signal boat. Such changes may be made up to the warning signal of a race.

2.4.3 Changes to the sailing instructions for junior training/racing classes will be made orally to sailors by their instructor/coach.

2.5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

2.5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Club balcony flag mast.

2.5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

2.6 SCHEDULE, NUMBER OF RACES & SCHEDULED TIME OF WARNING SIGNAL

2.6.1 The Club's sailing fixtures form part of these sailing instructions in respect of "schedule" and "number of races".

2.6.2 A briefing will be held for all class captains, crews and safety boat personnel at 1300hrs each race day. A briefing for junior training/racing sailors will be held by their coach/class captain preceding racing.

2.6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for racing each day, if changed, may be communicated orally to the Club class captain (or delegate) at the race briefing.

2.6.4 After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

2.6.5 A Club championship race may be rescheduled in the event that a heat is abandoned due to either foul weather or insufficient wind.



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2.7 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

Optimist	Black Optimist logo on white background
O'Pen Bic	O'Pen Bic logo on white background
Flying Ant	Winged A on white background
Moth	Moth Logo on white background
GP14	Black bell on white background
Sabre	Red Sabre logo on white background
29er	Orange 29er on white background
Tasar	Red Tasar logo on white background
Musto Skiff	Musto logo on white background
Sharpie	Yellow kangaroo on green background
49er/49erFX	Blue 49er on yellow background
Cruiser Division	Naval Numeral 2
Windsurfers	White with Black WindSurfer

2.8 RACING AREAS

Racing areas include Matilda Bay, Melville Water East and Melville Water West.

2.9 THE COURSES

2.9.1 The course for each class is described in the class course sheet and form part of these sailing instructions. Class course sheets show the courses, the order in which marks



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are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. Class course sheets are available from either the Club office or adjacent to the official notice board.

2.9.2 Courses for the Club's Short Race Series will be posted on the official notice board.

2.9.3 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat will display the course identification flag as described in the class course sheet indicating the course to be sailed.

2.9.4 Courses may be shortened under rule 32 at the discretion of the race committee. Additionally, should Code Flag S be displayed at the warning signal, the shortened course described in the class course sheet will apply. This changes rule 32.

2.9.5 Courses for junior training/racing classes will be advised orally to sailors by their coach.

2.10 MARKS

2.10.1 Rounding marks are described in the Class course sheets.

2.10.2 The starting mark will be either a buoy displaying an orange flag or a Race Committee vessel displaying an orange flag. The finishing mark will be the MBSC Club yellow and black banded start/finish mark east of the end of the MBSC Club jetty.

2.10.3 Short Race Series marks will be described at the pre-start briefing

2.10.4 Marks for junior training/racing classes will be advised orally to sailors by their coach/class captain.

2.11 MAXIMUM WIND STRENGTHS

Racing will start as scheduled for each class where the average wind speed at the warning signal, measured from the race committee signal boat or the BOM inner dolphin recorder, does not exceed the following:



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Mudlark & Optimist	15 knots
Open Bic	20 knots
Cruisers	20knots
Flying Ant, Moth ,GP14 & Sabre	25 knots
29er, Musto Skiff & 49er/49erFX	25 knots
Sharpie	30 knots

Racing, at the discretion of the race officer may be abandoned due to either foul weather or insufficient wind.

2.12 THE START

2.12.1 The Starting Line will be:

- (a) Between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end and the starting mark at the port end; or
- (b) for the Cruiser Twilights/or designated Club Handicap Starts between the Twilight “starter’s trolley” located adjacent to the MBSC Sharpie/Upper Bar and the MBSC Club start/finish mark; or
- (c) For junior training/racing classes advised orally to sailors by their coach.

2.12.2 A buoy may be streamed from the race committee signal boat. For the purposes of application of the rules the buoy is deemed to be part of the race committee signal boat and any boat touching the buoy or passing between it and the race committee signal boat shall be deemed to have touched the race committee signal boat.

2.12.3 For mid-river, handicap starts, a boat’s starting signal will be either on the fall of a number assigned to her displayed from the race committee signal boat or at a particular time assigned to her.

2.12.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence of other races.

2.12.5 If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat’s hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or



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resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26 and A5. When flag U is used as the preparatory signal Rule 29.1 Individual Recall does not apply. The scoring abbreviation for a flag U penalty is UFD. This changes A11 Scoring Abbreviations.

2.12.6 A boat starting later than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4, A5 and 63.1.

2.13 GENERAL RECALLS

In the event that a general recall is signalled by the race committee, the warning signal for a new start for the recalled class shall be made at or after the starting signal of any succeeding class at the discretion of the race committee. Should there be no succeeding class starting following a general recall, the warning signal for a new start for the recalled class shall be made one minute after the First Substitute is removed. This changes rule 29.2.

2.14 ON-WATER COACHING

2.14.1 On-water coaching to a boat racing is permitted in all scheduled racing other than Club Championship heats. On-water coaching to a junior training/racing class boat is permitted during a Club Championship heat.

2.14.2 Coaches must register at the race briefing and be approved for on-water coaching by the Officer of the Day or Race Officer. Approved coach boats must be equipped with a VHF radio and display a safety flag (White with SAFETY written).

2.15 THE FINISH

2.15.1 The finishing line will be between the MBSC finish box and the finishing mark.

2.15.2 The finish line for Mid river finishes will be between Finish boat and Finishing mark.

2.15.3 The finishing line for junior training/racing classes will be advised orally to sailors by their coach.



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2.16 TIME LIMIT

2.16.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 1630 hrs.

2.16.2 Boats failing to finish within 45 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.

2.16.3 The time limits for junior training/racing classes will be advised orally to sailors by their coach/class captain.

2.17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

2.17.1 Protest forms are available at the Club office or finishing box. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

2.17.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

2.17.3 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. Hearings will be held in the protest room, at the location and time detailed on the notice.

2.17.4 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

2.17.5 Breaches of instructions 12.4, 14, 20, 23, 25, 26, and 28 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

2.18 ARBITRATION

2.18.1 Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2, Part 4 or rule 31 to take a penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a scoring penalty equal to a finishing place mid-way between the boat's actual finishing place and the score for a disqualification. Half points shall be disregarded and the points of other boats shall not be adjusted.

2.18.2 An arbitration hearing will be conducted for all protests lodged in accordance with rule 61 which allege an infringement of a rule of Part 2, Part 4 or rule 31. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to the protest hearing.

2.18.3 The time and place of the arbitration hearing will be decided by the arbitrator and such advice may be given verbally. One representative of each boat will attend the



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arbitration hearing and no witnesses will be allowed. The arbitrator will decide the manner in which testimony is given.

2.18.4 After taking testimony, the arbitrator will make one of the following conclusions:

- (a) The protest does not comply with rule 61 and the protestor should withdraw the protest.
- (b) The matter shall proceed to a protest hearing. This may be because rules not suited to arbitration may be involved or because evidence is too complex or divergent or because injury, serious damage or a significant advantage may have occurred or because of the apparent severity of the alleged infringement or for any other reason decided by the arbitrator.
- (c) No rule was broken and the protestor should withdraw the protest.
- (d) A rule was broken by one or more of the boats involved, the infringing boat(s) may accept a scoring penalty as detailed above and if so accepted, the protestor should withdraw the protest.

2.18.5 An arbitration hearing shall not be re-opened. No conclusion of an arbitrator shall be subject to appeal or be grounds for redress.

2.18.6 Should the protest proceed to a protest hearing then the arbitrator may be a member of the Protest Committee. Any evidence given by an arbitrator during a protest hearing shall be given only in the presence of the parties to the hearing.

2.19 SCORING

Handicaps will be maintained by the Club's handicapping software administered by the Rear Commodore of Sail in conjunction with the advice of each Club class captain/representative.



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2.19.1 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

The Championship series is comprised of seven scheduled “long” races

- (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her races.
- (b) When from five to seven races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her races excluding her worst score.

2.19.2 CLUB CONSISTENCY SERIES

Six races are required to be completed from Club Championship Series heats and Club races combined (excluding Short Race Series races) to constitute a series.

- (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her handicap race scores.
- (b) When from five to seven races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her handicap race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When from eight to ten races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her handicap race scores excluding her worst two scores.
- (d) When eleven or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her handicap race scores excluding her worst three scores.

2.19.3 SHORT RACE SERIES

A boat’s score each race day will be the total of her race scores. The races from three race days are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- (a) When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from six to eight races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When from nine to eleven races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.
- (d) When twelve to thirteen races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst three scores.
- (e) When fourteen races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst four scores



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2.19.4 CRUISER DIVISION TWILIGHT SERIES

Two races are required to be completed to constitute each mini-series.

- (a) When fewer than three races have been completed in a mini-series, a boat's mini-series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from three to five races have been completed in a mini-series, a boat's mini-series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) A boat's seasons series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her four worst scores, one from each mini-series.
- (d) A boat's DNC score for a mini-series will be used in calculation of her seasons series score. This changes rule A9.

2.20 SAFETY REGULATIONS – ALL RACING

2.20.1 Check-Out and Check-In: Each helmsperson shall “sign-on” prior to “going afloat” on the class race registration sheet located adjacent to the Club office detailing all crew aboard.

2.20.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

2.21 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

2.21.1 Substitution of helmspersons will not be allowed for Club Championship/SRS Championship heats without prior written approval of the race committee.

2.21.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will be permitted.

2.22 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat may be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.



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2.23 ADVERTISING

2.23.1 The World Sailing advertising code, Regulation 20 shall apply.

2.23.2 Competitors may be required to display Event sponsor's name(s)/logo(s) and bow numbers. If required, the Club will supply these items and they shall be affixed and/or worn as prescribed in any notice or supplementary Sailing Instructions.

2.23.3 The Club reserves the right to refuse advertising by a boat or competitor when it is in conflict with an Event sponsor, the laws of the Western Australian or Australian Governments or in conflict with Constitution of the Club as determined by the Sailing or Management Committee.

2.24 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats, other than the race committee signal boat, may display a safety flag (White flag with Wording Safety in Red, or have MBSC Safety on the side of boat)

2.25 SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment unless authorised for on-water coaching under instruction 14.

2.26 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard safety, support and Race Committee boats.

2.27 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in MBSC events, a competitor and/or the competitor's parent/guardian automatically grants to Mounts Bay Sailing Club (Inc.) the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time at its discretion, any motion pictures, still motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television, digital images and other reproductions of him/her during the period of competition for the event in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the event without compensation.



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2.28 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.

2.29 PRIZES

MBSC prize pennants will be awarded each race day for each class as follows:

Junior Club Races:	Fastest and 1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd on handicap
Senior Club Races:	Fastest and 1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd on handicap
Short Race Series:	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd
Club Championship Heats:	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd and 1 st on handicap
Cruiser Division Twilights:	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd

Trophies will be awarded at the conclusion of the summer sailing season for each class as follows:

Club Championship:	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd overall
Club Consistency:	1 st on handicap across all Club heats & Club races
Short Race Series:	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd overall
Cruiser Division:	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd by mini-series and overall

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.

2.30 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in MBSC events 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 any event.

2.31 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD 5,000,000 (or equivalent) per event.