

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Murray's Brewing Co.
Heats 4,5 & 6 of the
NSW 12 Foot Skiff State Championships
2006/2007

To be conducted by
Sydney Flying Squadron
on behalf of the NSW 12 foot Sailing Skiff Association

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2005-2008)*, the *Class Rules of the 12 Foot Sailing Skiff Association*, and the *Prescriptions & Special Regulations of Yachting Australia*.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Sydney Flying Squadron in the boat shed near the stairs up into the club house.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 12:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the clubhouse of Sydney Flying Squadron from the flag pole on the balcony nearest the park.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 min minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1

	Date	Starting Time	Venue & Organising Authority
Heat 4	Saturday 9 th December 2006	15:10	Sydney Flying Squadron
Heat 5	Sunday 10 th December 2006	14:30	Sydney Flying Squadron
Heat 6	Sunday 10 th December 2006	After heat 5	Sydney Flying Squadron

5.2 When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that a succeeding race will begin soon, an answering pennant will be displayed from the start boat for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed

6. RACING AREA

The races will be conducted on Sydney Harbour in the area bounded from the Sow and Pigs to Kirribilli Point.

7. THE COURSES

7.1 The course will be signified by displaying a number on the committee boat prior to the race that corresponds to the designated course number.

7.2 For Heat 4 on Saturday 9th December we will be using the SFS STATE TITLES LONG COURSES.

7.3 For Heat 5 & 6 on Sunday 10th December we will be using the SFS STATE TITLES SHORT COURSES.

7.4 The committee boat will not distinguish the short course from the long course.

7.5 Courses will be available from the club from Saturday December 9.

8. MARKS

8.1 Flag marks are orange flags with black "SFS".

8.2 Permanent marks are described in the course sheets.

9. THE START

9.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

9.2 The starting line shall be between the committee boat and an orange flag mark with a black "SFS".

9.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rules A4 and A5

10. THE FINISH

10.1 The finishing line shall be between the committee boat and an orange flag mark with a black "SFS". The committee boat shall be left to starboard.

- 10.2** A blue flag will be displayed on the starters boat while the finishing boat is ‘on station’ for the finish.
- 12. PENALTY SYSTEM**
Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 12. TIME LIMITS**
- 12.1** The time limit for heat 4 will be 3 hours. Skiffs’ failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat finishes, or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored Did Not finish. (Amends RRS 35).
- 12.2** The time limit for heats 5 & 6 will be 105 minutes. Skiffs’ failing to finish within 25 minutes after the first boat finishes, or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored Did Not finish. (Amends RRS 35).
- 13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**
- 13.1** Protest forms are available from the officer of the day.
- 13.2** The protest fee is \$25.
- 13.3** The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 14. SAFETY REGULATIONS**
- 14.1** A representative of each boat must sign-on prior to the race and sign-off after the race within 90 minutes of finishing the race.
- 14.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the On Shore safety officer as soon as possible. He will be located on the SFS wharf.
- 15. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**
A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules or Part 2 of the Special Regulations of Yachting Australia, especially Specific Regulation R1 (Personal Buoyancy).
- 16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
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.
- 17. INSURANCE**
Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance for racing with a minimum cover of \$5 million.