



141st Sailing Season

Foiling

14th September 2025

Until

08th March 2026

SUPPLEMENTAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SSI)

Organising Authority

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The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SI's) means that a protest committee can award a penalty less than disqualification (including no penalty) at their discretion. This changes RRS 60.5 and RRS64.

The notation '[SP]' in a rule of the NoR and/or SIs means that a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing per RRS 60.5(b)(3).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The SSI shall be read in conjunction with the Sailing Instructions for the 141st Sailing Season – Off the Beach Classes. The SSI shall take precedence in the event of conflict with the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The SSI shall apply to WindFOIL and WingFoil.
- 1.3 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix B will apply to all windsurfing classes
- 1.5 The Australian Sailing prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 2 will apply
- 1.6 Class Rules shall apply.
- 1.7 RRS Appendix A5.3 will apply.
- 1.8 The Race Committee may signal that competitors shall sail on a specific tack during the 10 seconds before and 10 seconds after the starting signal is made, by displaying a green flag for starboard tack before or with the warning signal.
- 1.9 Appendix T – Arbitration will apply.
- 1.10 Attention is drawn to applicable class rules requiring the use of a helmet & to SSI 11.2.

2. CHANGES TO SSI

- 2.1. Any changes to the SSI may be made not less than 1 hour before the warning signal of the races they affect.

3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1.

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Racing per Sailing Program	Briefing	1230 hrs
	First Warning Signal	1330 hrs

- 3.2. There will be a competitors briefing on racing days at the Windsurfing Centre 1 hour before the first possible Warning Signal.
- 3.3. The First Warning Signal is at 1330 hours.

4. CLASS FLAGS

- 4.1. The class flags are:

Fleet	Flags
WindFOILS	Red & blue Formula class insignia on white background
WingFoil	Black WingFoil class insignia on white background

5. FORMAT OF RACING

- 5.1. The Race Committee will advise competitors at competitor's briefing of the format of racing for the day on the basis of wind conditions and forecasts.
- 5.2. There will be a maximum of 4 W/L course races per day and a maximum of 5 Slalom Races per day.
- 5.3. Racing shall take place in suitable conditions for foiling and the decision on suitable conditions shall be made by the Race Officer and, where appropriate, the Class Representative. The wind range generally shall be from 7 to 25 knots. Competitors will be kept onshore if wind conditions are not suitable for racing.

6. COURSES

- 6.1. The courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, the side on which each mark is to be left, and the description of the Marks are described in SSI Attachment A.

7. CHANGE OF COURSE

- 7.1. There will be no changes to the course after the Preparatory Signal.

8. THE START

- 8.1. To alert boards that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed (with one sound) for at least 2 minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 8.2. All races will be started by using the following signals: This changes RRS 26.1 and RRS 26.2.

Minutes before Starting signal	Visual signal	Sound signal	Means
3	Class flag displayed	One	Warning signal
2	U or Black flag displayed	One	Preparatory signal
1	U or Black flag removed	One long	One-minute signal
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

9. THE FINISH

- 9.1. For W/L course races, attention is drawn to SSI Attachment B "Grand Prix Finish".

10. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 10.1. Target times, time limits and Finish Windows for races in minutes are as follows:

	Target Times	Time Limits	Finish Window
W/L Course Races	15	25	10
Slalom Races	8	12	6

- 10.2. Competitors failing to finish within the time stated in the Finish Window, after the first competitor in that group sails the race according to RRS 28 will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35, RRS A5.1, RRS A5.2 and RRS A10.

11. [NP][DP]SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 11.1. All skippers shall SIGN ON before racing each day and SIGN OFF at the earliest possible time after the completion of racing (but not later than the end of protest time). The sign on/off is via a web board interface accessed by a smartphone.
- 11.2. All Maritime Queensland Aquatic Event conditions must be followed including:
 - 11.2.1. All Participating ships are not to impede power driven vessels traversing Manly Boat Harbour and associated channels.
 - 11.2.2. All Participating ships are to obey the gazetted speed limit in Manly Boat Harbour (6 knots).
- 11.3. No sailing vessel shall berth on or impede traffic to/from the RQYS fuel dock without permission from the RQYS Sailing or Marina Office.
- 11.4. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1. Rule 3 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a competitor's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is theirs alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
 - 12.1.1. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their board to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - 12.1.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves and their board and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - 12.1.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - 12.1.4. Their equipment is in good order, prepared for sailing in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - 12.1.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol vessels and other officials and volunteers by the race organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - 12.1.6. The provision of patrol vessel cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - 12.1.7. The fact that the Race Committee or Technical Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a vessel does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this SSI.
- 12.2. All participants are required to comply with any safety provisions as mandated under the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for Off The Beach Boats, and any Class Rules that may apply. The Squadron encourages and supports competitors who believe it is appropriate to exceed the above requirements (such as the wearing of body armour, impact vests, etc.) if they or their guardian believe that conditions and their personal circumstances warrant. All competitor's attention is drawn to SSI 12.1.

13. RISK STATEMENT

- 13.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**
- 13.2. All participants are required to comply with any safety provisions as mandated under the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for Off The Beach Boats, and any Class Rules that may apply. The Squadron encourages and supports competitors who believe it is appropriate to exceed the above requirements (such as the wearing of helmets, body armour, impact vests, etc.) if they or their guardian believe that conditions and their personal circumstances warrant. All competitor's attention is drawn to the Risk Statement - Section 13.1 of the Sailing Instructions.

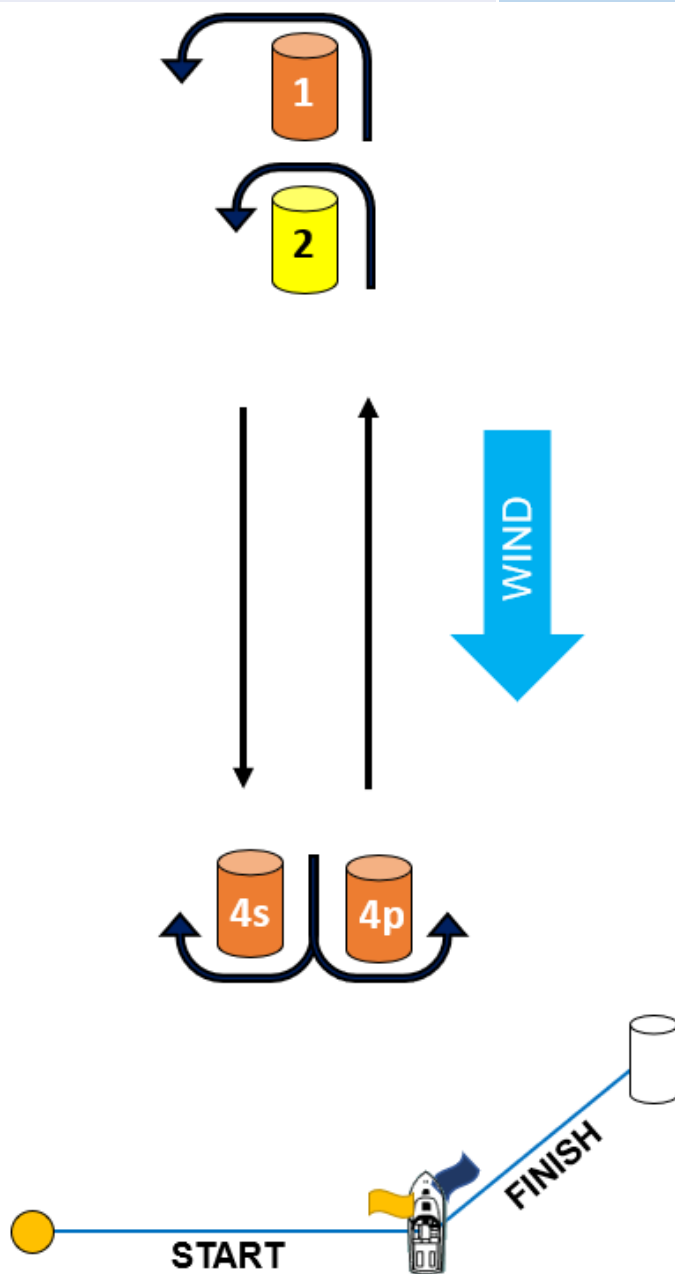
14. INSURANCE

- 14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000AUD per incident or the equivalent.

SSI ATTACHMENT A – WindFoil Courses

SSI A.1 – Windward Leeward (W/L) Course Race

CODE	COURSE	MARKS DESCRIPTION
LA1	Start – 1 – 4p – Finish	Marks 1 & 4s/4p: Orange Inflatable Mark 2: Yellow Inflatable Start & Finish Pin: Orange Teardrop
LA2	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4p – Finish	
LA3	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4p – Finish	
L1	Start – 2 – 4p – Finish	
L2	Start – 2 – 4s/4p – 2 – 4p – Finish	
L3	Start – 2 – 4s/4p – 2 – 4s/4p – 2 – 4p – Finish	

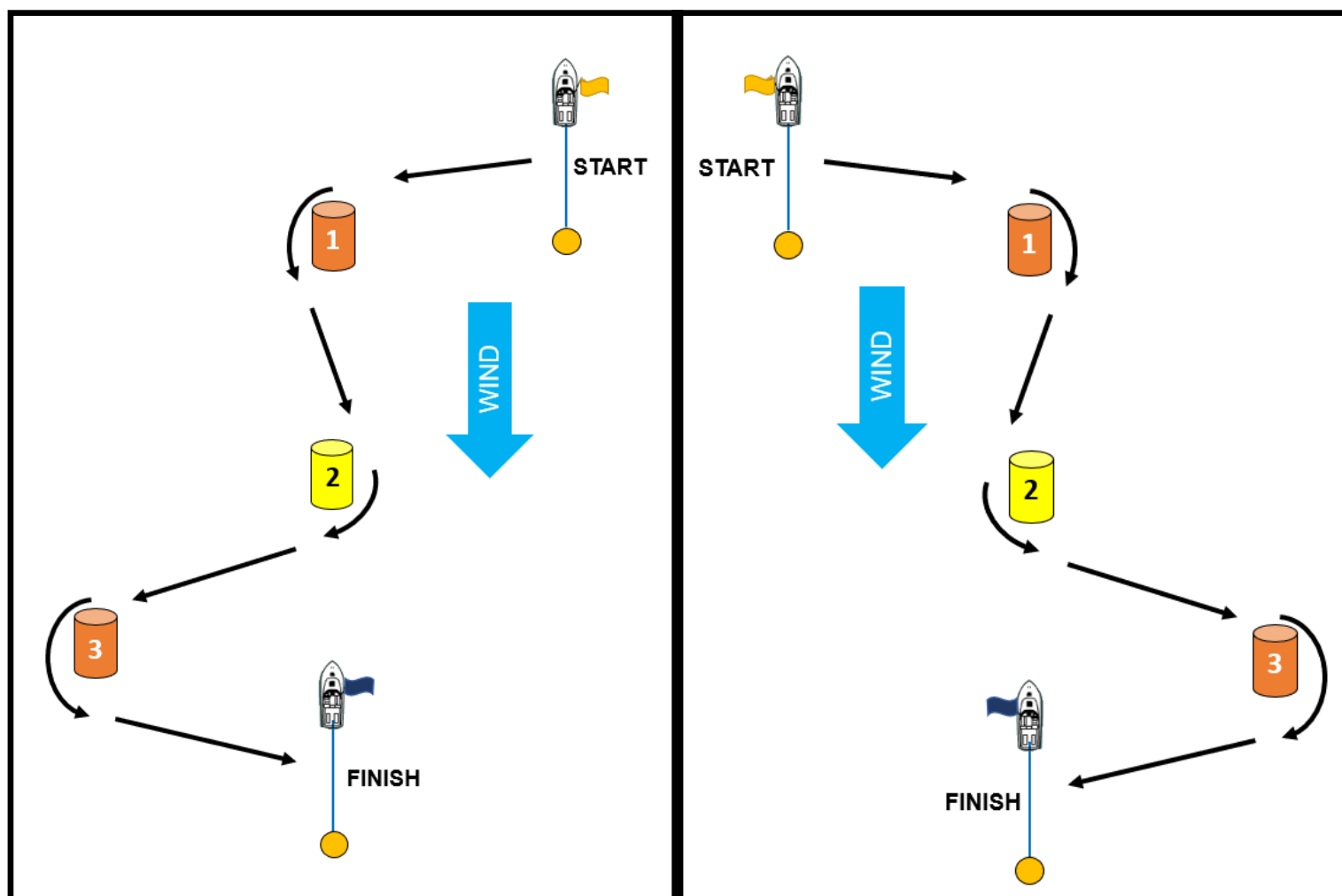


SSI A.2 – Slalom Downwind Courses

CODE	COURSE	MARKS DESCRIPTION
SD	Start – 1(p) – 2(s) – 3(p) – Finish	Marks 1 & 3: Orange Inflatable
PD	Start – 1(s) – 2(p) – 3(s) – Finish	Mark 2: Yellow Inflatable
		Start & Finish Pin: Orange Teardrop

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SSI ATTACHMENT B – Grand Prix Finish for W/L Course Races

- B.1 Each race will consist of the number of laps designated by the course signal displayed as part of the starting sequence.
- B.2 After completing the required number of laps, boats shall Finish between the Race Committee Boat displaying a blue flag and the finish mark (see Course Map).
- B.3 When the first boat completes the course and Finishes correctly, the Race Committee Boat shall display a red flag(s) with a sound signal. This indicates that the Finishing Window (10 minutes) is open.
- B.4 All boats shall continue sailing the course and when are next completing a lap shall pass through Gate 4 and proceed to Finish regardless of the number of laps they have completed.
- B.5 All boats crossing the finish line while the Finish Window is open will be deemed to have Finished. Their race result will be determined from the finishing order and number of laps they correctly completed; those having completed the most laps being ahead of those with fewer laps completed. For example, boats with 2 laps completed will be ranked ahead those with 1 lap.
- B.6 Lowering the red flag(s) closes the Finishing Window.
- B.7 Boats not Finishing while the Finishing Window is open, will be scored after those Finishing. These boats will be scored according to their relative positions and number of laps completed as they last passed through Gate 4.
- B.8 Boats who have not completed one lap by the time the Finishing Window closes shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.