

## **Sailing Instructions**

### **Western Cape Regional Regattas 2023**

The Sailing Instructions, and any changes thereto, will be posted on the Regatta Noticeboard after registration.

A Skippers' briefing for all races will be held at the superstructure after opening parade, and if necessary, before subsequent races at the discretion of the Race Officer. Skippers will be notified of additional briefings, or when changes are posted on the Noticeboard, by the flying of the flag 'Lima' accompanied by one sound signal.

A course card will be displayed on the notice board. The applicable course for each race will be displayed on the notice board prior to the warning signal for each race.

**N.B:** No instructions or directions or race information may be shouted from the shore to participating boats, at any time after the warning signal for that race and may lead to disqualification at the discretion of the Race Officer.

#### **Start / Finish**

- 1.1 **The start/finish line** will be a line between the flag-pole on the superstructure and a mark as indicated on the course displayed on the Noticeboard. Any limiting marks laid near the shore do not form part of the start/finish line, and boats may not start from the shore side of these marks.
- 1.2 The warning signal (Saldanha Class Flag) for each pulling race will be raised one minute before the start.
- 1.3 The warning signal (Saldanha Class Flag) for each sailing race will be raised five minutes before the start.
- 1.4 After a postponement, flag AP will be lowered one minute before the warning signal for the next race.
- 1.5 Boats that are not off their moorings and underway within one minute of their warning signal, may be disqualified from that race.
- 1.6 A boat that has finished a race must immediately sail well clear of the finish line, failing which she may be disqualified. Boats may not be moored alongside in such a way that their sails obscure the view of the start/finish line from the Bridge.
- 1.7 In the event of a 'back-to-back' race being held, flag 'Lima' will be flown at the finish of the previous race. Boats must remain on the water in the vicinity of the start/finish line but must keep clear of boats finishing.

#### **Scoring**

- 2.1 The low-point scoring system will be used.
- 2.2 Where five or more races constitute a series, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. She may not exclude a 'DNE' result.

## Protests

- 3.1 Protest forms are available at the Bridge, and only written protests on the official form will be considered. The time limit for delivering a protest is 20 minutes after the last boat has finished the race in which the incident occurred.
- 3.2 Competitors will be notified of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the bridge.
- 3.3 Protests will be heard by a Protest Committee drawn from members of the SSB Racing Committee.
- 3.4 Queries regarding race results must be addressed in writing to the Racing Committee.