

WINDSURFER and ***RACEBOARD***

NEW SOUTH WALES STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2020

For Raceboards, Windsurfer LT, One Design and Original Windsurfer Boards

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Saturday 14 November to Sunday 15 November 2020

With thanks to our Event Supporters and Volunteers



Toronto Amateur Sailing Club, 27 Victory Parade, Toronto, NSW

Organising Authority: Toronto Amateur Sailing Club in conjunction with
Windsurfer Class Association of Australia & Windsurfing NSW

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017 – 2020 including Appendix B (Windsurfing Competition Rules) and Appendix T (Arbitration); except where they are changed by the Notice of Race (NOR) or by the Sailing Instructions (SIs). In the event of a conflict, the SIs will prevail.

1.2. The Windsurfer Class rules will apply for the Windsurfer NSW Championship.

1.3 The Raceboard Class Rules will apply for the Raceboard NSW Championship.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located upstairs in the Toronto Amateur Sailing Club.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board at least 60 minutes before the scheduled start time of the first race of the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpoles located on the balcony of Toronto Amateur Sailing Club.

4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the RRS Race Signals. This changes WCR Race Signals.

4.3. When Code Flag 'Q' is displayed ashore, no boards are permitted to leave the shore.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 The competition schedule will be in accordance with the following, as well as notices to competitors:

Saturday 14 November

0830-1000	Registration/Weigh In
0930	Skippers' Meeting
1030	Earliest warning signal Race Session 1
1300	Approximate time for lunch
45 mins after lunch commences	Earliest warning signal Race Session 2
1600	Approximate end of Race Session 2
1700	Post-Race Social gathering, TASC
1900	Dinner Function at Bay Restaurant, RMYC Arnott Ave TORONTO

Sunday 15 November

0930	Skippers' Meeting
1030	Earliest warning signal Race Session 3
1300	Approximate time for lunch
45 mins after lunch commences	Earliest warning signal Race Session 4
1600	Last possible warning signal
ASAP after last race	PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

5.2 The warning signal for the last race of each day shall not be made later than 1700 hrs on Saturday and 1600 hrs on Sunday.

5.3 For Raceboards, no more than 3 consecutive races per day shall be sailed in non-planing or marginal planing conditions (for majority of fleet).

5.4 When more than one race or sequence of races will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race shall be made at the stated time and for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boards that a race or sequence of races will shortly

begin, an Orange Flag will be displayed (with one sound) on the Start Boat, within 2 minutes before a warning signal is displayed. No sound will be made when the Orange Flag is lowered..

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The Raceboard class flag will be a red R on a white background, or as described at the skippers meeting.

6.2 The Windsurfer class flag will be a black Windsurfer symbol on a gold background.

7. RACING AREA

7.1 The competition area will be as noted in the map as per Attachment A.

7.2 Note that the regatta does NOT have exclusive use of the waterway and land area. All competitors are required to have due regard to all members of the public who may be using the same area.

7.3 The racing area is defined as an area extending 50m beyond the course including the starting line, the finishing line and their extensions, in which a board would normally sail while racing.

7.4 Fixed maritime channel and/or warning markers are not to be used for any racing purpose.

7.5 Any other area of obstruction that may influence a race will be clearly defined on the ONB.

8. COURSES

8.1. The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses for Raceboards and Windsurfers.

8.2. All classes and divisions will race on the same course area.

8.3. Course racing sessions may consist of two or more races back-to-back. If the race committee intends to run another race back-to-back, it will display the pennant 2 flag (with no sound signal) on the Race Committee Vessel while boards are finishing.

8.4. A maximum of 3 races may be sailed back-to-back.

8.5. Rest Periods: Back-to-Back races. The warning signal for a subsequent race on the same day will be made as soon as practicable, except that the minimum interval between the closing of the finishing line and the new warning signal for that class will be 2 minutes.

8.6. Rest Periods: Ashore. At the completion of a series of back-to-back races there shall be, as much as reasonably possible, a rest period of 45 minutes **ashore** for the last finisher in the last race before the Warning Signal for further races.

8.7. A maximum of 10 course races will be conducted – dependent upon prevailing winds.

9. MARKS

9.1 Marks R1 and 2 will be yellow inflatable cans. Marks W1 and 3 will be red teardrop buoys..

9.2 The starting marks will be a flagstaff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end of the line and a yellow inflatable can (Mark 2) on the port end.

9.3 A clearance buoy may be streamed from the stern of the Race Committee start boat. Boards shall not pass between this buoy and the Race Committee start boat at any time.

9.4 The finish marks will be the flagstaff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the port end of the line and a staff with a blue flag at the starboard end.

10. THE START

10.1 Course races will be started using rule WCR 26 System 1 amended for WINDSURFERS as follows:

Minutes before starting signal	Flag Signal	Sound Signal	Means
5	Class Flag or Division Flag	One	Warning Signal
4	Code Flag P, I, U, Z, Black	One	Preparatory Signal
1	Preparatory Flag Removed	One long	One minute
0	Class Flag or Division Flag removed	One	Starting Signal
+ 30 Seconds		3 short (optional)	Cease pumping DOES NOT APPLY TO RACEBAORDS

10.2 A board starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored 'Did Not Start'. This changes WCR A4 and A5.

10.3 The warning signal for each succeeding division shall be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding division.

10.4 Boards whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

11. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Vessel on the starboard end and a staff with a blue flag at the starboard end.

12. PROPULSION

12.1 Rule 42 shall apply to Windsurfers only when competitors are sailing to windward or on a close-hauled course from 30 seconds after the starting signal (this changes rule 42). Three short sound signals may be made to indicate 30 seconds after the starting signal.

12.2 A member of the race committee or a designated observer who sees a competitor infringing SI 12.1 may disqualify that competitor without a hearing. This changes WRC A4 and A5.

13. PENALTIES

13.1 A board that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 44.1 shall inform the Race Office within the protest time limit.

13.2 Penalties for breaches of WCR's 23.3 and 77, and Sailing Instructions 10.3, 16, 17 and 20 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

14. TIME LIMIT

14.1 The target time for the first board to complete the full course will be 25 minutes.

14.2 The time limit for the first board to complete the full course will be 40 minutes. The time limit for the first board to reach R1 and W1 in their respective classes is 15 minutes. If a time limit is exceeded the race for that class will be abandoned.

14.3 Boards failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first board in their class finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Competitors intending to protest shall inform the finish boat as soon as practicable after finishing.

15.2 Protest forms will be available from the Toronto Amateur Sailing Club, the official notice board or from the race officer. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race officer within the appropriate time limit.

15.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last board has finished the last race of the day.

15.4 Notices of protests will be posted on the official notice board 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 upstairs area of Toronto Amateur Sailing Club beginning at the time posted.

15.5 Breaches of WCR 23.3 and 77 and Sailing Instructions 10.3, 16, 17, 19 and 22 will not be grounds for protest or redress by a board. 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'.

15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered: within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes Rule 66.

15.7 On the last scheduled day of competition, a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes Rule 62.2.

15.8 Arbitration will be available and will be conducted in accordance with WCR Appendix T.

16. SCORING

16.1 The WCR Appendix A Low Point Scoring System will apply. Each board will be awarded points for each race based on its across the line finishing place in its class and any applicable division.

16.2 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.3. When five or more course races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score ("one drop"). When 9 or more course races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worse scores ("two drops"). This changes WCR A2 (a) and (b).

16.4 To request correction of an alleged error in the posted races or series results, a board shall direct their enquiry to the Race Office.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1. For each race session each board intending to race shall personally sign-on with the designated Covid Marshall in the designated area of Toronto Amateur Sailing Club prior to the warning signal of the race or race session, and shall personally sign-off as soon as practicable upon returning to shore, but no later than the protest time limit for that day. Failure to sign on will result in a board being given a scoring penalty of 5 places in the first race of that race session by the Race Committee. Failure to sign off will result in a board being given a scoring penalty of 5 places in the last race of that race session by the Race Committee. This changes Rules 63.1 and A4.1.

17.2. All competitors shall wear, while competing, personal flotation devices which are in good condition and in accordance with the specifications issued or approved by Australian Sailing. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 1.2.

17.3. A competitor who retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the race office as soon as possible after returning ashore and before the protest time limit.

17.4 Competitors, support staff, family, friends and spectators will be required to comply with TASC's Covid-19 Safety Plan. The relevant requirements will be posted on the Official Notice Board and around the club and can be reviewed on the club website here: www.tasc.org.au/Covid-19-Procedures

18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

18.1. A board or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water, a board can be instructed by a Race Committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

18.2. Substitution of equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18.3. Competitors shall not wear or carry clothing or equipment for the purpose of increasing their weight. However, a competitor may wear a drinking container that shall have a capacity of at least one litre and weigh no more than 1.5 kilograms when full.

19. SUPPORT BOATS

19.1. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boards are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boards have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. This instruction does not apply to a support boat assisting a person in distress or responding to a request by the race committee.

19.2 During any start sequence support boats shall stay at least 50 metres below the starting line and its extensions.

20. BASIC PRINCIPLES

20.1. Environmental Responsibility: participants are encouraged to minimize any adverse environmental impact for the event.

20.2. Sailors shall not put rubbish in the water. Rubbish may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

21. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

Radio: except in an emergency, a board shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boards. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

22. RACE RESULTS

Race results will be posted on the official notice board when available. Results may also be published online.

23. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

24.1. Competitors who participate in competition at Toronto Amateur Sailing Club do so entirely at their own risk and responsibility. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4, Decision to Race, which states: The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

24.2. Toronto Amateur Sailing Club, Windsurfing NSW, Australian Sailing and the Windsurfer Class Association of Australia, its officers, officials, members, servants, volunteers and agents accept no liability with respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of competitors' participation or intended participation in the event or howsoever arising in connection with the event.

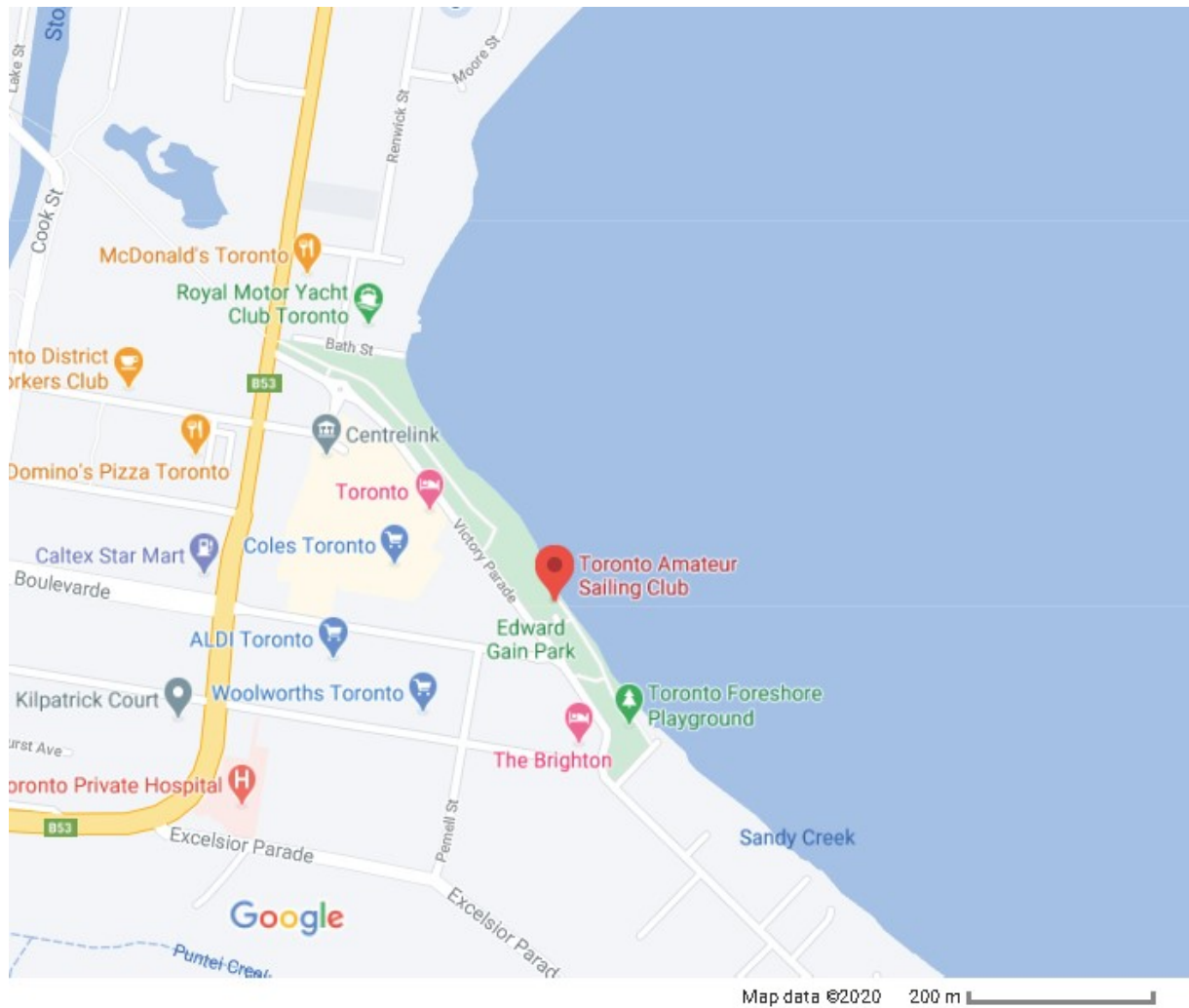
24.3. ENTRY DISCLAIMER

It is the competitor's sole decision to enter this event and to start and or to continue to compete. By way of entering, competitors acknowledge and agree that participation in this event can be dangerous and accept that their participation is at their exclusive risk in every respect. In addition, by way of entering competitors shall hold harmless the organizing authority, its officers, members, servants and agents and all other competitors in respect of all liability for injury to their person and or loss or damage to their property howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in this event and acknowledge and accept that the organizing authority, its officers, members, servants, agents and other competitors accept no responsibility in respect to loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of a competitor's participation or intended participation in this event or arising for whatever reason in connection with this event.

24.4. All competitors will be required to sign an entry form at registration that includes an entry disclaimer.

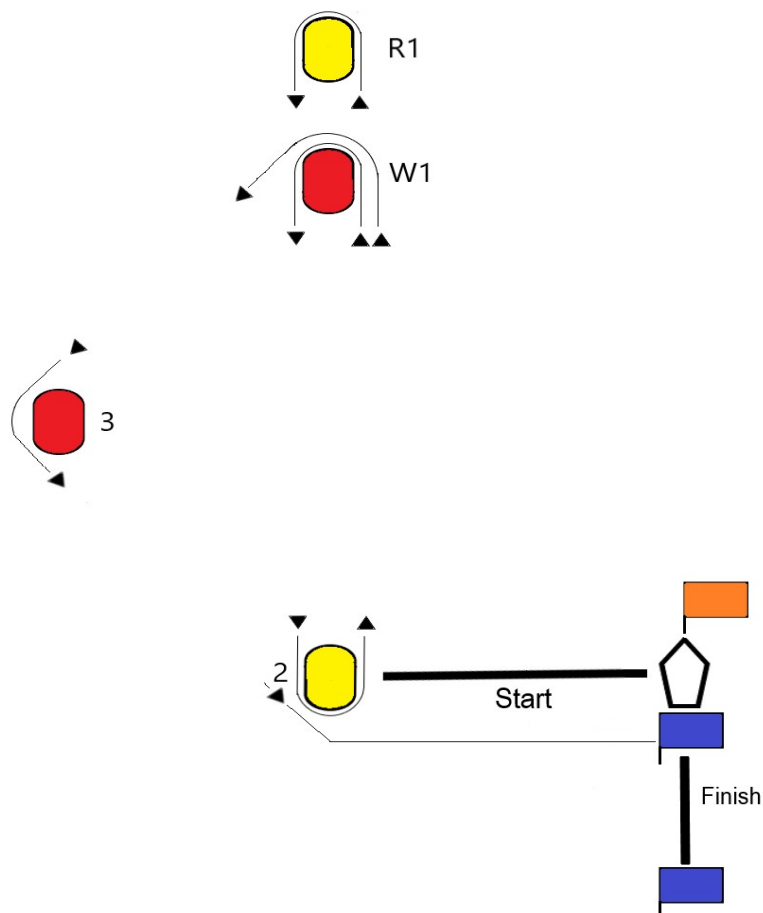
24.5. By way of entering, competitors also agree to compete in a spirit of good sportsmanship, which promotes safe, fair and inclusive sport.

ATTACHMENT A: APPROXIMATE RACE AREA



ATTACHMENT B – COURSE RACING DIAGRAM

The following diagram describes the courses, the order in which the marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.



Raceboard Course 1: Start – R1 – 2 – Finish

Raceboard Course 2: Start – R1 – 2 – R1 – 2 – Finish

Raceboard Course 3: Start – R1 – 2 – R1 – 2 – R1 – 2 – Finish

Raceboard Sprint Course 1: Start – W1 – 2 – Finish

Raceboard Sprint Course 2: Start – W1 – 2 – W1 – 2 – Finish

Raceboard Sprint Course 3: Start – W1 – 2 – W1 – 2 – W1 – 2 – Finish

Windsurfer Open: Start – W1(P) – 2(P) – W1(P) – 3(P) – 2(P) – Finish

Windsurfer Cruiser: Start – W1(P) – 3(P) – 2(P) – Finish