



Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club

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Phil Johnston Memorial 14 ft Catamaran Regatta

17th – 18th October 2026

Sailing Instructions

1 ORGANISATION

- 1.1 The Organising Authority is Mannering Park Amateur Sailing (MPASC).
- 1.2 The Conducting Authority is MPASC.

2 RULES

- 2.1 The regatta shall be governed by the following;
 - (i) 2025/2028 Racing Rules of Sailing,
 - (ii) The Prescriptions and Special regulations of Australian Sailing.
 - (iii) The rules of relevant Class Associations (for competing classes) except as amended by the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions as amended from time to time.

3 ENTRY

- 3.1 An MPASC 2026 14ft Catamaran Regatta Entry form must be completed & signed for each boat wishing to participate in all or part of the regatta. The boats form must be submitted online prior to its participation.

4 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official Notice Board in the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club.

A competitors meeting will be held at the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club at approximately 10:30 on Saturday the 17th October 2026

5 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to Sailing Instructions shall be in writing and will be posted on the day it will take effect. A change to the Sailing Instructions shall be accompanied by one sound signal and Code Flag L shall be displayed ashore.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club.

6.2 Code flag 'AP' raised with two sound signals means **"The race is postponed"**. Code flag 'AP' lowered with one sound signal will be followed in no less than 30 minutes by the warning signal. Code flag 'L' with one sound signal means **"A notice to competitors has been posted on the official notice board"**.

7 RACING AREAS

The approximate location of the course & racing areas will be given at the competitors meeting at approximately 10.30 on Saturday 17th.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagram in Addendum A shows the course and the order in which marks are to be passed.

8.2 The course to be sailed (Course 1 or Course 2) will be displayed by a board on the Start Boat.

9 MARKS

9.1 The description of the Marks will be given at the competitor meeting.

10 THE START

10.1 The starting line will be between the signal flag on the start boat and Mark 3.

10.2 A distance mark may be laid astern of the start boat. Any boat touching this mark and or the start boat shall round the start boat before starting.

10.3 A boat starting later than 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rule A4.

10.4 The Start Sequence shall be 3 minutes, this changes rule RRS 26.

10.5 Saturday 17th October 2026 no warning signal after 1700 hrs.

10.6 Sunday 18th October 2026 no warning signal after 1500 hrs

11 THE FINISH

11.1 The finishing line will be between the finish boat and Mark 4.

11.2 Code flag 'S' will indicate a shortened course in accordance with RRS 32.2.

12 RECALLS

12.1 Recalls shall be in accordance with RRS 29.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe is required.

14 TIME LIMITS

14.1 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the correct course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes rules 35 and A4.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR ADDRESS

15.1 Protests will be in accordance with RRS 61 except the time limit for lodgment is 1 hour after the protesting boat's finishing time in the last race of the day. [The same time limit applies to protests by the race/protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2].

15.2 Protest forms will be available from MPASC.

15.3 Protests shall be lodged at the registration table at MPASC in person.

15.4 Protest hearing notice/s shall be posted on the official notice board approximately 30 minutes after the expiry of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties or named witnesses. It is a party's responsibility to ensure his/her witness/es attends the hearing.

15.5 The posting of such notices shall be notification to the parties in accordance with RRS 63.2.

15.6 Notices of protest by the race/protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1** Use the Sign-on, Sign-off sheets provided at MPASC clubhouse. Skippers who fail to sign-on or sign-off may be recorded DSQ at the discretion of Organising Authority.
- 16.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. The Sign-off sheet should still be used to record DNS or DNF as required.
- 16.3** Wind strength/conditions;
The Race Officer shall be the sole arbiter of wind strength and conditions, he/she shall have the absolute discretion as to whether to shorten or abandon a race. If the Race Officer is not present it rests with the Deputy Race Officer.

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior approval of the race committee.
- 17.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

- 18.1** Other prizes awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

19 SUPPORT BOATS

- 19.1** No competitor support boat shall be allowed on the course after the warning signal.
- 19.2** The penalty for an infringement of Sailing Instruction 20.1 shall be the disqualification of any boat associated with the support personnel on the competitor support boat.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 20.1** All persons taking part in this event do so entirely at their own risk and responsibility. The Organising Authority, the Sponsors, their servants and Volunteers will not accept any liability for damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after this event. The Race Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry. ***Persons taking part in this event are referred to RRS Rule 3 (Decision to Race).***

21 INSURANCE

- 21.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party property liability insurance with a minimum policy cover of \$5 million (\$10 million recommended) for any one incident over the period of the Regatta, event or equivalent.
- 21.2** All owners/charterers/competitors who complete the online entry form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

22 ADVERTISING

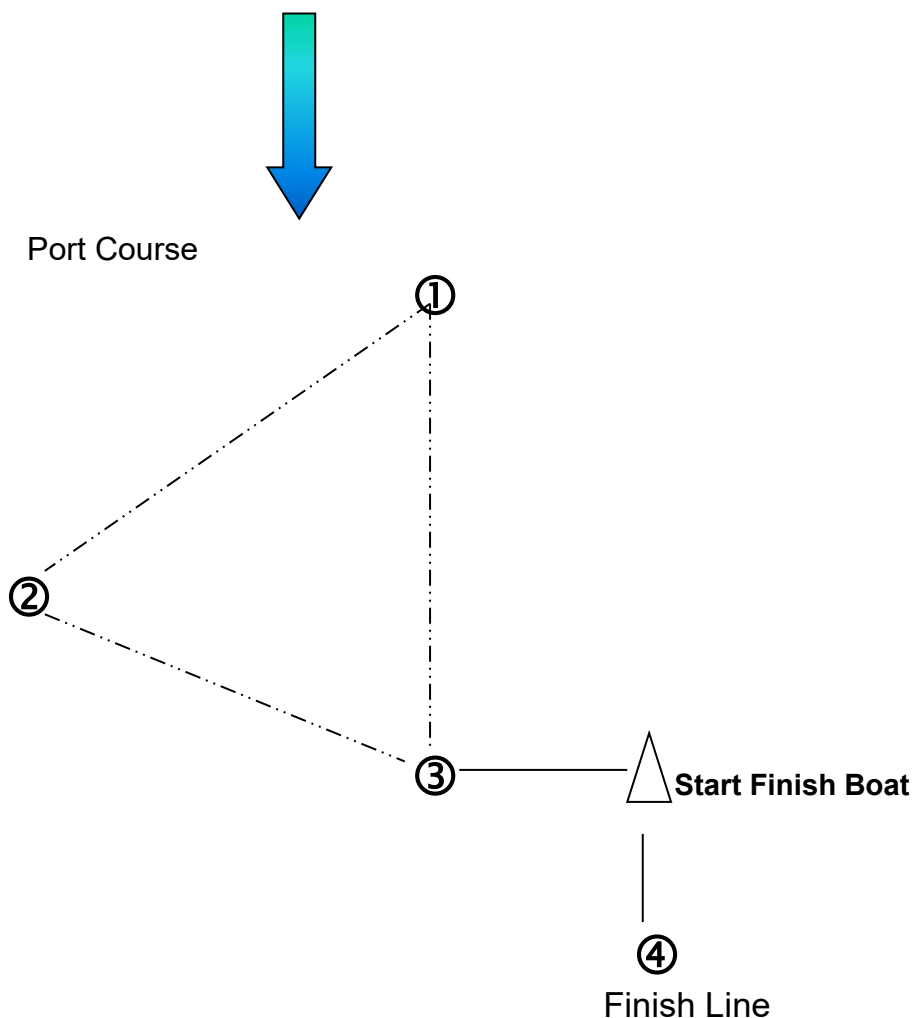
- 22.1** This event is conducted under World Sailing Regulation 20, Category C, however the Sailing Committee reserves the right to caution or disqualify any Boat that is in breach of this code and openly displays signage inappropriate or disrespectful toward the events primary Sponsors and/or Organising/Conducting Authority.
- 22.2** Any boat entering, displaying signage NOT relevant to the event must include a fee of \$50 to be made out to the Organising Authority. A declaration of signage is required to be submitted with the application for race entry.
- 22.3** The Sailing Committee reserves the right to waive the \$50 signage declaration fee.

23 SCHEDULE

Date and Time	Event
Saturday 17 th 1030	Competitor Briefing
Saturday 17 th 1200	Race 1 Warning Signal
Saturday 17 th 1700	No Warning Signal made after this time
Sunday 18 th 1000	Race 1 Warning Signal
Sunday 18 th 1500	No Warning Signal made after this time
Sunday 18 th ASAP	Presentation

Addendum: A

Course Format



Start line will include Mark ③ and be to port of the Start Boat/Finish Boat.

The Finish Line will be between Mark ④ and the Start/Finish Boat.

Course 1 Start 1,2,3,1,3, Finish

Course 2 Start 1,2,3,1,3,1,2,3 Finish