



# CENTREBOARD WINTER SERIES 2021

## NOTICE OF RACE

**EFFECTIVE FROM 1 MAY, 2021**

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### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 (Off the Beach Boats) shall apply unless changed by this Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 Class rules shall apply.

### **2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 The MHYC Centreboard Winter Series is open to the International Optimist, 420, 29er and other dinghy classes at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry at [www.mhyc.com.au](http://www.mhyc.com.au)
- 2.3 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid Third Party Property insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$10 Million per incident or equivalent.
- 2.4 Casual entries will be accepted on race days up until 90 minutes prior to the start time upon payment of race fees.
- 2.5 Participants registered in an MHYC Youth Training or Development Squad program at the time of the Series are required to submit a race entry as per the Notice of Race, but are exempt from paying race fees.

### **3 FEES**

Required fees are as follows:

Series Name	Races	Casual (per race day)	Series (non- member)	Series (member)	MHYC Dinghy Storage License Holder
MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	33	\$20.00	\$140.00	\$100.00	\$50.00

*Important Note – Entry in the MHYC Centreboard Winter Series does NOT include entry into the 2021 Combined Clubs Optimist Winter Series or NSWIODA Traveller Trophy Series.*

## **4 SCHEDULE**

4.1 The schedule of races is detailed in Appendix A.

4.2 Up to two (2) additional races may be sailed each day provided no division becomes more than one race ahead of schedule

## **5 MEASUREMENT**

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate upon request.

## **6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions are attached to this Notice of Race and are available at

[www.mhyc.com.au](http://www.mhyc.com.au)

## **7 VENUE**

7.1 The venue is Middle Harbour Yacht Club, The Spit, Mosman, NSW. Racing shall be held in the waters of Middle Harbour and The Sound.

7.2 Where racing at other race venues is scheduled, the host club Sailing Instructions shall apply.

## **8 THE COURSES**

The courses are described in the sailing instructions.

## **9 HANDICAPS & SCORING**

9.1 Class Yardsticks may be adjusted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

9.2 Five races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

(a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total excluding her worst race score.

(c) For every additional 4 races completed, one additional score may be excluded up to a maximum of 8 excluded scores.

## **10 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats. This includes mobile phones.

## **11 PRIZES**

Centreboard Winter Series prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

## **12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organising 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 series.

## **13 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information contact the MHYC Sailing Office

Phone 02 8969 3103 Email [sailing@mhyc.com.au](mailto:sailing@mhyc.com.au)

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## NOTICE OF RACE APPENDIX A

### SCHEDULE

Date	Venue	Start Time	Event/s	Races
Sunday 9 May Optimist Open & Inter.	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1000	Optimist CCOWS & MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	1 2 3
Sunday 9 May 29er & 420 Classes	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1300	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	1 2 3
Sunday 23 May All Classes	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1300	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	4 5 6
Sunday 6 June Optimist Open & Inter.	Hunters Hill Sailing Club (HHSC SIs)	0900	Optimist CCOWS & MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	7 8 9
Sunday 6 June 29er & 420 Classes	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1300	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	7 8 9
Sunday 20 June All Classes	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1300	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	10 11 12
Sunday 4 July All Classes	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1300	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	13 14 15
Sunday 25 July All Classes	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1300	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	16 17 18
Sunday 8 August All Classes	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1300	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	19 20 21
Sunday 22 August All Classes	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1300	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	22 23 24
Sunday 29 August Optimist Open & Inter.	Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS SIs)	0930	Optimist CCOWS & MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	25 26 27
Sunday 29 August 29er Class	Hunters Hill Sailing Club (HHSC SIs)	TBC	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	25 26 27
Sunday 5 September Optimist Open & Inter.	Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS SIs)	TBC	NSWIODA TT & MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	28 29 30
Sunday 5 September 29er & 420 Classes	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1300	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	28 29 30
Sunday 19 September All Classes	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	1300	MHYC Centreboard Winter Series	31 32 33

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### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board outside the MHYC Office and circulated via the Sailor App.

### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the MHYC Starters Tower flagpole.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 When Flag D is displayed with one sound signal, boats shall not leave the beach until this signal is lowered.

### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 The schedule of races shall be as per the Notice of Series or Notice of Race.
- 5.2 A competitors briefing may be held each race day on the hardstand rigging deck 60 minutes before the scheduled start time.
- 5.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange flag may be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

### **6 CLASS FLAGS & DIVISIONS**

- 6.1 A minimum of 3 boats is required to constitute a division.

- 6.2 Class Flags will be:

29er	Red 29er Insignia on White Flag or Code Flag J
420	Blue 420 Insignia on White Flag or Code Flag K
Optimist Open	Black Optimist Insignia on White Flag or Code Flag W
Optimist Intermediate	White Optimist Insignia on Blue Flag or Code Flag R
Optimist Green Fleet	White Optimist Insignia on Green Flag or Code Flag G
Other Classes	As determined by the Race Committee

### **7 RACING AREAS**

Racing shall be held in the waters of Middle Harbour and The Sound.

## **8 COURSES**

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The race committee signal vessel will display the numeral pennant corresponding to the course number below the class flag at the warning signal, or on a course board.

## **9 MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks 1, 4 and 5 will be orange inflatable buoys.
- 9.2 Mark 1a will be a yellow inflatable buoy.
- 9.3 Marks 2 and 3 will be pink inflatable buoys.
- 9.4 The start / finish mark will be a yellow inflatable buoy.
- 9.5 The alternative finishing mark will be an inflatable buoy with a black and white band.

## **10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

- 10.1 The area of water between the registered moorings and the adjacent shoreline inside Sydney Harbour including the Bombora or Dobroyd Head, Sow and Pigs and Naval Waters shall be considered a continuing obstruction for boats that are racing.
- 10.2 All navigational marks shall be passed on their designated side.

## **11 THE START**

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the MHYC Race Committee Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.2 The starting sequence shall be as follows:

Signal	Time	Visual Signal	Sound Signal
Warning	3 minutes before start	Class flag displayed	One Sound
Preparatory	2 minutes before start	P, U or Black flag displayed	One Sound
One Minute	1 minutes before start	P, U or Black flag removed	One Long Sound
Start	Start	Class flag removed	One Sound

This changes RRS 26.

- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.4 A boat that does not start within 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

## **12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee may move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

## **13 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the MHYC Race Committee Boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

## **14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

- 14.1 For all classes the time limits and target times are as follows

<i>Time Limit</i>	<i>Mark 1 Time Limit</i>	<i>Target Time</i>
60 minutes	20 minutes	30 Minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS62.1.

- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be allocated a place by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the Sailing Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or names as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the location advised to the competitors.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5 Breaches of SIs 11.3, 16, 17, 19, 20, and 23 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing 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 RRS 62.2.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 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).
- 16.2 The Sign On/Off process is via the Sailor App. The race committee may, at its discretion, accept a Sign On or Sign Off in writing.
- 16.3 Boats failing to sign on/off shall be scored DNC without a hearing. This changes rule 63.1, A4 and A5.

## **17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW**

Substitution of competitors will be allowed without prior approval of the race committee.

## **18 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash shall not be placed in the water but may be placed aboard support or official boats.

## **19 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 19.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This includes mobile phones.
- 19.2 All support boats shall monitor the race management channel VHF72 (or any alternative channel determined by the Race Committee).

## **20 COACHING**

- 20.1 Any person may provide assistance to competitors subject to prior approval from the race committee. Approval may be withdrawn by the Race Committee at any time.
- 20.2 Approved coaching of competitors does not constitute grounds for protest under RRS 41.

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## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### APPENDIX A - COURSES

#### Course 1 (T1)

Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – Finish

1a

#### Course 2 (T2)

Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 4 – Finish

1

#### Course 3 (W2)

Start – 1 – 4 – 1 – 4 – Finish

2

#### Course 4 (W3)

Start – 1 – 4 – 1 – 4 – 1 – 4 – Finish

#### Course 5 (WL2)

Start – 1a – 4 – 1a – 4 – Finish

5s

5p

#### Course 6 (WL3)

Start – 1a – 4 – 1a – 4 – 1a – 4 – Finish

#### Course 7 (R2)

Start – 1 – 5(p/s) – 1 – 5p – Alt. Finish

3

#### Course 8 (R3)

Start – 1 – 5(p/s) – 1 – 5(p/s) – 1 – 5p – Alt. Finish

#### Course 9 (LR2)

Start – 1a – 5(p/s) – 1a – 5p – Alt. Finish

#### Course 0 (LR3)

Start – 1a – 5(p/s) – 1a – 5(p/s) – 1a – 5p – Alt. Finish

#### Note:

- All marks are to be rounded to port, except at a gate.
- Gate 5 may be replaced by a single mark of the same colour, in which case it shall be rounded to port.



## Code Flags & Pennants



A



B



C



D



1



E



F



G



H



2



I



J



K



L



3



M



N



O



P



4



Q



R



S



T



5



U



V



W



X



6



Y



Z



CODE FLAG &  
ANSWERING PENNANT



7



1ST SUBSTITUTE



2ND SUBSTITUTE



3RD SUBSTITUTE



8



9



0



## RACE SIGNALS

The meanings of visual and sound signals are stated below. An arrow pointing up or down (↑ ↓) means that a visual signal is displayed or removed. A dot (•) means a sound; five short dashes (-----) mean repetitive sounds; a long dash (—) means a long sound. When a visual signal is displayed over a class flag, fleet flag, event flag or race area flag, the signal applies only to that class, fleet, event or race area.

### Postponement Signals



↑ • • • ↓ •

AP Races not started are *postponed*. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal unless at that time the race is *postponed* again or *abandoned*.



↑ • •

AP over H Races not started are *postponed*. Further signals ashore.



↑ • •

AP over A Races not started are *postponed*. No more racing today.

### AP over a Numeral Pennant

*Postponement* of 1-9 hours from the scheduled starting time.



Pennant 1 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 2 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 3 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 4 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 5 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 6 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 7 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 8 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 9 ↑ • • ↓ •

## RACE SIGNALS

### Abandonment Signals



**N** All races that have started are *abandoned*. Return to the starting area. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal unless at that time the race is *abandoned* again or *postponed*.



**N over H**  
All races are *abandoned*. Further signals ashore.



**N over A** All races are *abandoned*. No more racing today.



**V** Monitor communication channel for safety instructions (see rule 37).

### Preparatory Signals



**P**  
Preparatory signal.



**I** Rule 30.1 is in effect.



**Z** Rule 30.2 is in effect.



**U** Rule 30.3 is in effect.



**Black flag.**  
Rule 30.4 is in effect.

### Recall Signals



**X** Individual



**First Substitute** General recall. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal.

### Shortened Course



**S** The course has been shortened. Rule 32.2 is in effect.

## RACE SIGNALS

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### Changing the Next Leg



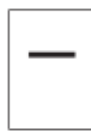
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**C** The position of the next *mark* has been changed.



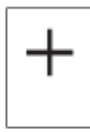
To starboard.



To port.



To decrease the length of the leg.



To increase the length of the leg.

### Other Signals



↑ ●  
**L** Ashore: A notice to competitors has been posted.  
Afloat: Come within hail or follow this vessel.



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**M** The object displaying this signal replaces a missing *mark*.



↑ ●  
**Y** Wear a personal flotation device (see rule 40).



(no sound)  
**Orange flag.** The staff displaying this flag is one end of the starting line.



(no sound)  
**Blue flag.** The staff displaying this flag is one end of the finishing line.