



**M**  **FSC** **2025**  
**EASTER** **25**  
**REGATTA**

**18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**



SUPPORTED BY:



The Organising Authority (OA) is Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club Inc.

## **1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in:
  - 1.1.1. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
  - 1.1.2. The Prescriptions of Australian Sailing (AS) including the Special Regulations Part 2 for Off The Beach Boats.
  - 1.1.3. The Class rules where applicable,
- 1.2. [SP] It is the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that life jackets comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in the AS regulations.
- 1.3. Appendix T - Arbitration will apply.
- 1.4. [DP] Appendix P5.1 applies if the Class Rules permit pumping, rocking and ooching when the wind speed exceeds a specified class applicable limit.
- 1.5. RRS41 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1. Any change to the SIs will be posted at least two (2) hours before the scheduled time of the first race of the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

## **3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 3.1. Notices to competitors (NTC) will be posted on the official noticeboard (ONB) located at the entrance to the Sundowner Bar.
- 3.2. The Race Office is located in the Sundowner Bar (located just inside the doors of the Hook undercover area).
- 3.3. On the water, the Race Committee (RC) intends to operate on the following VHF channels:

ALPHA COURSE	BRAVO COURSE
74	72

## **4. CODE OF CONDUCT**

- 4.1. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

## 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag mast on the southern side of the Clubhouse.
- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the Race Signals AP.
- 5.3. [DP] When flag D is displayed with one sound signal means 'Boats shall not leave the shore'. No warning signal will be made until at least 45 minutes after removal. This adds to race signals.
- 5.4. Signals made ashore for Alpha or Bravo course specific will Fly the A (Alpha) flag for Alpha course or B(Bravo) flag for Bravo course above the relevant signal flag

## 6. SCHEDULE


- 6.1. The schedule is as follows:

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday, 17 <sup>th</sup> April	2400	Closing of Entries
Friday, 18 <sup>th</sup> April	All Day	Pre-Regatta Coaching (Class/Club Organised)
	1300-1600	Registration
Saturday, 19 <sup>th</sup> April	0800 - 0900	Registration / Race Office
	0845	Volunteers / Coaches Briefing
	0900	Competitors Briefing
	1030	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning signal
	After racing	Regatta Galley – WAIODA Raffle
Sunday, 20 <sup>th</sup> April	0845	Volunteers / Coaches Briefing
	0900	Competitors Briefing
	1030	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal
	1500	No warning signal after 1500
	After racing	Pizza supplied by OA and presentation of prizes in the Galley

- 6.2. The RC intend to sail 4 races per day. Additional races may be sailed at the discretion of the RC.
- 6.3. No warning signal will be made after 1500 on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2025
- 6.4. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

## 7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1. Class flags are shown below on their allocated racing areas:

ALPHA COURSE		BRAVO COURSE	
	Open Skiff		ILCA 4
	Optimist		ILCA 6
	Minnow		ILCA 7
	Alpha Mixed Fleet		Mixed Fleet

## 8. RACING AREA

8.1. SI Attachment A shows the approximate locations of racing areas.

8.2. Racing will be conducted over two racing areas – Alpha & Bravo.

## 9. COURSES

9.1. SI Attachment B shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2. If only one bottom mark is present, boats shall round the single mark to port.

9.3. The course to be sailed will be designated by the following:

ALPHA COURSE	BRAVO COURSE
Int. numeral pennant	Int. numeral pennant

## 10. MARKS

ALPHA COURSE		BRAVO COURSE	
<b>1</b>	Yellow Cylindrical buoy	<b>1</b>	Orange Tetrahedral buoy
<b>1a</b>	Orange Tetrahedral buoy	<b>2</b>	Orange Tetrahedral buoy
<b>2S/2P</b>	Yellow Cylindrical buoy	<b>3</b>	Orange Tetrahedral buoy

## 11. THE START

- 11.1. Races will be started in a 3-minute starting sequence as described below. This changes RRS 26.

MINUTES BEFORE STARTING SIGNAL	VISUAL SIGNAL	SOUND SIGNAL	MEANING
3	Class flag	One	Warning signal
2	P,U, Black flag	One	Preparatory signal
1	Prep removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

- 11.2. The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.3. [SP][NP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.4. [SP][NP] After starting a race, a boat shall not sail through the start line in either direction while racing.
- 11.5. 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 RSA5.
- 11.6. Classes may be started in any order and combined with other Classes.

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

- 12.1. To change the next leg of the course, the RC will move the original mark (or move the finishing line) to a new position.

## 13. THE FINISH

- 13.1. **Alpha Course:** The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC vessel at the port end and the course side of the starboard end finishing mark.
- 13.2. **Bravo Course:** The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC vessel at the port end and the course side of the starboard end finishing mark.
- 13.3. [SP][NP] Except when finishing, boats sailing through the finishing line in either direction, while RC vessel is displaying a blue flag will incur a scoring penalty [SP] without a hearing.

## 14. PENALTIES

- 14.1. [NP] - The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule.
- 14.2. [SP] - The notation '[SP]' denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the RC without a hearing. The SP for this regatta is 2 points for each breach.
- 14.3. DP - The notation '[DP]' denotes a rule of which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification.

## 15. PROTESTS

- 15.1. Competitors **shall hail the finish boat as soon as they have finished that race.**
- 15.2. Protests shall be written on forms available at the Regatta Office and delivered to the Regatta Office within 60 minutes from the time the last boat has finished in the last race of that day.
- 15.3. Parties to a protest will be advised of the time and location of the arbitration and protest hearing. This advice may be given verbally and may be posted on the notice board.
- 15.4. The Protest Time Limit will be posted on the Admin Notice Board

## 16. TIME LIMITS

- 16.1. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored 'Did Not Finish'. This changes RRS 35 & A5.

## 17. SCORING

- 17.1. Scoring shall be in accordance with the tables below:

ALPHA COURSE		BRAVO COURSE	
8 Races in series		8 Races in series	
3 Races to constitute a series		3 Races to constitute a series	
Discards after 4 races		Discards after 4 races	

## 18. [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC at the first reasonable opportunity. Promptly after returning to shore, the boat shall complete a retirement declaration form.

## 19. SIGN ON/OFF

- 19.1. [SP] Skipper or Crew of a Boat shall sign on **at the Sign On Board** before leaving the shore.
- 19.2. [SP] Skipper or Crew of a Boat shall sign off **at the Sign On Board** before leaving the shore.
- 19.3. The Sign On Board is located outside the Race Office.
- 19.4. [DP][NP] Parents, coaches or any support person shall not sign on or off for the crew of a boat at any time. The penalty for a boat for a breach of this SI will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee

who may take advice from the RC and RO, up to and including disqualification from the race nearest the breach or event.

**20. [DP]REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

20.1. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless previously authorised in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity in Writing stating the reason and should include a photo of the damage.

**21. [DP]SUPPORT BOATS - See Attachment C**

**22. TRASH DISPOSAL**

22.1. Trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

**23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

23.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.

23.2. Competitor attention is drawn to RRS 3 – Decision to race.

23.3. It is the competitors' decision to enter the Event or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Event is at their exclusive risk in every aspect. By way of entry in the Event competitors must indemnify the Organising Authority their Offices, members, staff, volunteers and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Event.

23.4. Competitors are responsible for the seaworthiness of the boat that they are sailing and for the sufficiency and adequacy of its equipment for the prevailing conditions.

23.5. The Organising Authority their offices, members, staff, volunteers and agents accept no responsibility in respect to loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage of property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Event howsoever arising in connection with the Event.

**24. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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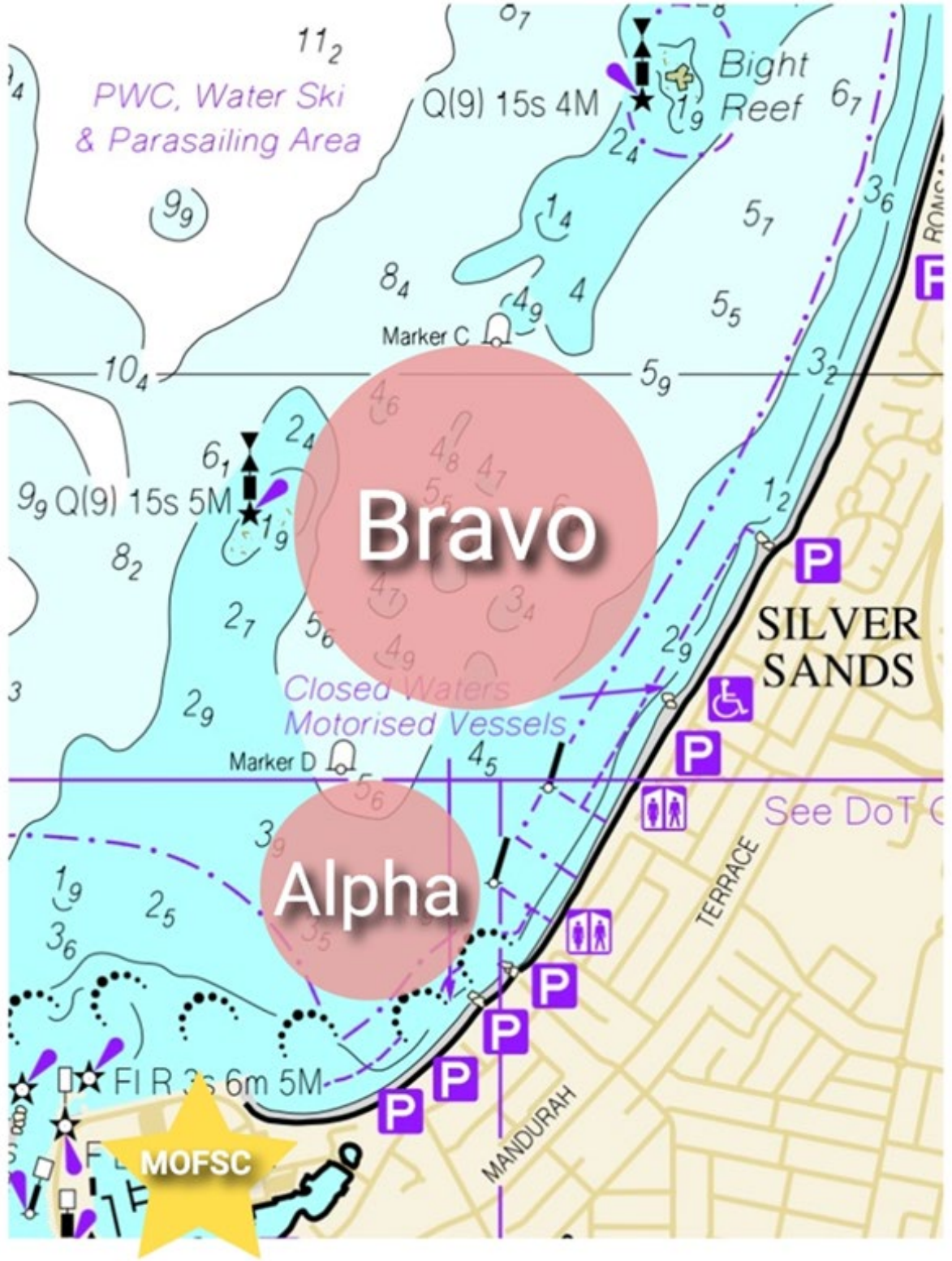
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ATTACHMENT A – Racing Areas



## Attachment B – Courses ALPHA COURSE



CLASS	COURSE	SIGNAL	MARK ROUNDING ORDER
Optimist, Minnow, Mirror	1		START – 1a – 2s/2p – 1a – FINISH
Optimist, Minnow, Mirror	2		START – 1a – 2s/2p – 1a – 2s/2p – 1a -FINISH
Open Skiff	1		START – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – FINISH
Open Skiff	2		START – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 -FINISH
RS Feva	1		START – 1a – 2s/2p – 1a – 2s/2p – 1a -FINISH
RS Feva	2		START – 1a – 2s/2p – 1a – 2s/2p – 1a – 2s/2p – 1a -FINISH

COURSE NOT TO SCALE

### Windward Return

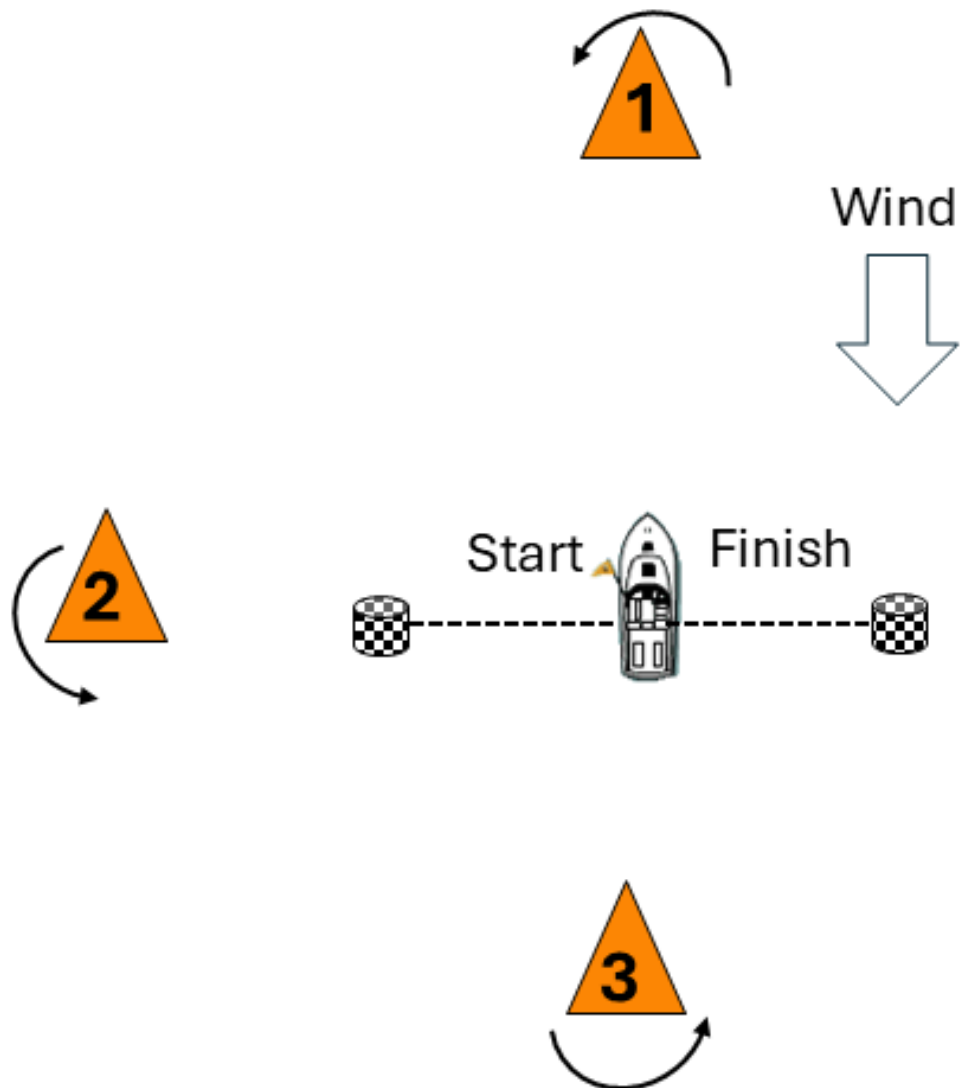


## Attachment B – Courses BRAVO COURSE

CLASS	COURSE	SIGNAL	MARK ROUNDING ORDER
All ILCA, Mixed Fleet	1		START – 1 – 2 –3 -1 -3 -FINISH
All ILCA, Mixed Fleet	2		START – 1 – 2 –3 -1 – 3 -1 – 2 –3 – FINISH

COURSE NOT TO SCALE

### Triangle Course



## ATTACHMENT C - SUPPORT TEAMS [DP]

Support Teams, including all Support Persons, Coaches, Team Leaders and their vessels, shall comply with the following:

1. All vessels shall be registered with the OA by emailing:  
owc@mofsc.com.au
2. All vessels will be required to comply with local marine legislation. Local marine regulations specify the safety equipment to be carried. A copy of the regulations is available at:  
<https://www.transport.wa.gov.au/imate/boating-safety.asp>
3. All vessels shall only be moored in the location as directed by a MOFSC representative.
4. Except for those coaches and support vessels **who are registered and accredited by MOFSC**, other vessels shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
5. No one on a support vessel is to communicate or signal in any way to a competitor from the warning signal until after finishing a race.
6. Each vessel shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 million per incident or the equivalent.
7. All skippers and their crews shall wear a personal flotation device securely fastened at all times when afloat.
8. All vessels will be required to assist in the event of an emergency as directed by the Race Management Team.
9. All support vessels shall have a working VHF radio and maintain a listening watch on the nominated VHF Channel/s.
10. All support vessel skippers shall:
  - a) attend the daily Volunteers Briefing with the Race Management Team.
  - b) wear an engine kill cord/safety lanyard or automatic engine immobilizer.
  - c) all persons on a Support Vessel must wear approved PFD's at all times.
  - d) hold a current RST or equivalent powerboat licence.
11. The penalty for failing to comply with the above requirements may, after protest, be applied to the race nearest the breach or event and may be up to and including the disqualification of all competing boats associated with the infringing vessel or support person.