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Hunter 19 National Championships 2022

Witbank Yacht Aquatic Club, Witbank Dam, Mpumalanga
From 19-21 March 2022

Sanctioned 21 October 2021

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES.

The Regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the World Sailing racing rules of sailing (**RRS**), **2021-24**. Rules of the competing class as defined in the notice of race, SA Sailing Requirements for National / Provincial Championships, Notice of Race, unless specifically amended by these sailing instructions, Sailing instructions and any amendments thereof.

2. Advertising

In keeping with World Sailing Regulation 20 – Advertising Code, boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS.

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official Class WhatsApp site.

4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

Any changes to the SAILING INSTRUCTIONS will be posted on the notice board no later than **08:00** on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races / schedule starting time of the first race of the day will be posted by **19:00** on the day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE.

Signals made ashore will be displayed on a flagpole located in front of the clubhouse.

Flag **AP** "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes", in race signal AP

Flag **B** Hoisted to the yardarm with one long sound signal means that PROTEST time has begun. Lowered to the dip with one long sound signal means that 10 minutes remain to Protest Time Limit. Lowered completely with one long sound signal, shall mean that the protest time limit has ended.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES.

1. SCHEDULE

- Registration on the day: Saturday 19 March 2022 from 8h00 – 10h00
- Measurement and inspection: 19 March 2022 randomly
- Sailing continues until either AP/H or N/H is shown

7. NATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.

4 Races will constitute a Regatta

8. CLASS FLAGS

Class Flag – Pennant 1

9. THE COURSES.

The course to be sailed will be displayed on a board at the stern of the committee boat.

10. MARKS.

Marks 1, 2 & 3 will be large round shaped Yellow buoys.

The starting and finishing marks will be the race committee boat and a small buoy.

11. THE START.

A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DID NOT START (DNS). This changes rule A4.1.

12. CHANGES OF POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK.

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finish line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although a new mark may not yet be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be re-located without further signalling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

13. THE FINISH.

The finish line will be between the course side of the staff displaying a BLUE flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the finishing mark at the port end.

14. Shorten Course

Should the Race Committee shorten course, the finishing line will remain in the same place as the start mark. The committee boat will signal the shortening of a course for a specific Division when the leading boat in that Division rounds the Leeward mark. This will be signalled by making 2 sound signals and the hoisting of the "S" flag together with the appropriate Division flag and a blue Committee Boat on station flag. Boats shall proceed from the Leeward mark to the finish line. This changes RSS 32.2

15. PENALTY SYSTEM.

A boat has taken a penalty or retired under rule 44.2 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.

As provided in rule 67, the protest committee may, without a hearing, penalise a boat that has broken rule 42.

16. TIME LIMIT

Time limits are as follows

Class

Mark 1: time limit 20 minutes

If no boat has passed MARK 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race shall be abandoned.

Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and a4.1.

17. PROTESTS.

Protests forms are available on the Notice Board. Protests shall be delivered within the protest time limit to the Bridge Officer.

The protest time limit is 60 (sixty) minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the protest committee and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

Notices will be posted as soon as possible 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 place stated on the protest notice beginning at the time stated therein.

Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b)

The list of boats that, under the instruction "Penalty System: rule 67" have acknowledged breaking rule 42 or have been disqualified by the protest committee will be posted before the protest time limit

For the purpose of rule 64.3(b) the "authority responsible" is the measurer appointed by the organizing authority.

On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered

(a) Within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day.

(b) No later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee and protest committee.

Each yacht shall race with her correct registration number displayed on her sail, with the sail/s used in the first race and only the scrutinised and certified approved equipment. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests in writing for substitution shall be submitted to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. Such replacement equipment may be scrutinised for compliance with class rules before such approval is given.

19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

20. SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

Support boats shall be marked with a Yellow Flag, such flag to measure no less than 600mm x 600mm and to be hoisted at such a height so as to be visible from all points. Support boats shall provide their own flags.

21. DIVING EQUIPMENT & PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the starting signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

22. AWARDS, PRIZES AND TROPHIES. (at discretion of Race committee)

The prize giving and closing ceremony will be held at the WITBANK club house at 15H00
Prizes will be given as follows:

Prizes will be presented to competitors in accordance with the SA Sailing and WYAC requirements.

23. INSURANCE

Each participating boat is encouraged to carry sufficient valid third-party liability insurance to cover any liability arising during the event.