



# MANLY 16FT SKIFF SAILING CLUB SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Junior Division

2023 / 24 Season

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**Record of Amendment**

Revision	Date	Change Summary
Revision 2.0	August 2014	Addition of Incident Reporting requirements General formatting
Revision 3.0	March 2015	<b>5.0 – Handicaps</b> Race committee must review the Handicap of a Boat who has a change (inc substitute) of crew or skipper. Reviews or changes to handicaps must be documented by the Race Committee or Handicappers.  <b>10. Change of Skipper or Crew</b> 10.1.1 – Change of wording to remove any ambiguity between “Substitution” or “Change”. 10.1.4 –Review a boats handicap following a change/substitute or Crew or Skipper must be undertaken.  <b>13 Safety Regulations</b> 13.1.1 Sign on/Off requirements 13.1.2 Failure to sign on or off
Revision 4.0	November 2015	<b>1.5 Casual Entries</b> 1.5.6 Casual entry fee discretion 1.5.7 Casual Entry Scoring  <b>4.6 Time Limits</b> 4.6.1 and 4.6.2 Finishing on Course and Scoring  <b>8 Point Scores and Prizes</b> 8.3.1 and 8.3.2 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Half Point Season Dates.
Revision 5.0	July 2016	General formatting  Removal of specific season dates and replacement with as per “Junior Sailing Calendar”  <b>8.5 – Prizes</b> F11 class amendment to limit to 1 cash prize.  <b>10.0 Change of Skipper or Crew</b> 10.1.1 – Change of wording to clarify that change of skipper or crew is subject to approval by Junior Race Committee 10.1.2 – Clarity that skipper and crew can both undertake tasks on boat including crew helming the boat 10.1.3 – Failure to comply with instruction 10.1.1 and 10.1.2 will result in boat being DNC.
Revision 7.0	August 2017	Update for 2017/18 season  Update for 2017-2020 ISAF Rules of Racing  1.5.2 Correction of minor typographic error 4.2.3 Clarification regarding handicap starts 8.4 Golf Club Trophy 8.4.2 – Change to remove inconsistency between 8.4.2 and 8.4.3
Revision 8.0	August 2019	Update for 2019/20 season  1.2 Inclusion of Novice definition in Division Eligibility 3.3.1 Provision for course change for Novice fleet in 1 <sup>st</sup> half of season 4.1 & 4.6 amended to take account of new race format with two races on one day. 5.2.3 amended to give discretion as to whether to review handicap 8.1.1 amended to provide for six (6) races to be scheduled for Club Championship PS 11.1.2 amended to remove “sails, foils, mast” and focus on substitution of damaged hull and sail number 11.1.3 and 11.1.4 are additions
Revision 9.0	September 2021	Update for 2021/22 season  1.1.1 Update for 2021-2024 ISAF Rules of Racing
Revision 10.0	July 2022	Update for 2022/23 season
Revision 11.0	July 2023	Update for 2023/24 season

## **1. RACING (JUNIOR) AT MANLY 16FT SKIFF SAILING CLUB - OVERVIEW**

### **1.1 Rules**

- 1.1.1 All races conducted by Manly 16ft skiff sailing Club will be governed by the "rules" as defined by the 2021 - 2024 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions and Special Regulations (Part 2) of Yachting Australia (YA), the Constitution, Sailing By-Laws, Policy Documents of the Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club, and the rules of the relevant Class Associations except as any of these are changed by these Sailing Instructions.

### **1.2 Eligibility & Divisions**

- 1.2.1 Flying Eleven Class and Manly Junior Class boats registered with the Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club will be eligible for the Junior Division Point scores.
- 1.2.2 Manly Junior Class will have two divisions for the first half of the season: The Open Division and the Novice Division. To be eligible for the Novice Division the helmsperson shall be in their first season as skipper and shall have had no more than one season as crew. Notwithstanding, the Race Committee, at their ultimate discretion, may accept or reject entry to this Division or may direct boats and crews to the Division. Novice Division boats shall each fly a green ribbon from the mainsail clew at all times while racing.
- 1.2.3 All boats shall have a minimum of AUD\$10 million public liability insurance covering the use of the boat while racing.

### **1.3 Entry**

- 1.3.1 To be considered an entry in Club races listed in the Junior Sailing Calendar and be included on the Club Boat register, boats shall complete and lodge the following:
- Boat registration Form – Junior Division (Form: 115) or;
  - Equivalent online registration as determined by the Junior Committee
- 1.3.2 With the exception of new Junior Class Boats, boats who fail to provide this documentation, completed in full by 30th September will be deemed to be a Casual Entry for the purposes of scoring.

### **1.4 New Junior class boats**

- 1.4.1 A new boat to the Club is defined as:
- a boat that has not previously raced or been registered with the Club for the season (either as a Casual Entry or otherwise) or
  - a boat that is new or a second-hand hull that is replacing the hull of a boat previously registered with the Club in the season.
- 1.4.2 A new Junior Class Boat, as defined above shall lodge the required documentation as per SI 1.3, otherwise it will be deemed to be a Casual Entry for the purposes of scoring.

### **1.5 Casual Entries**

- 1.5.1 Casual entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Junior Race Committee.
- 1.5.2 To be eligible to compete, Casual Entries shall be lodged with the Sailing Office or Junior Race Committee at least one (1) hour prior to the start of the race and be accompanied by the following:
- 1.5.3 Completed Boat registration form – Junior Division (Form: 115)
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- 1.5.4 Proof of AS Membership (skipper & Crew)
- 1.5.5 Payment of the Casual Race Entry fee – \$20 (per race) which may be waived at the discretion of the Junior Race Committee
- 1.5.6 For the purposes of scoring, boats that are casually entered for a race will not be recorded as a place getter if it finishes the race and will not be scored in Junior Division Point Scores. Alters RRS A2.

## **2. RACE ORGANISATION**

### **2.1 Sailing Season and Race Schedule**

- 2.1.1 The sailing season will commence not before the first Sunday in September and conclude by the third Sunday of April the following year.
- 2.1.2 Races are scheduled as per the Manly Junior Sailing Calendar.
- 2.1.3 Races may be postponed if they conflict with 16ft Skiff, 13ft Skiff, Flying Eleven or Manly Junior Association fixtures including State and National Championships.
- 2.1.4 In the event of any conflict with outside events the Junior Race Committee may deem any scheduled race to be Non-Point score.

### **2.2 Notices to Competitors**

- 2.2.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the front entry of the Club.
- 2.2.2 VHF channel 72 will be used as the Race Communications channel.

### **2.3 Changes to Sailing Instructions**

- 2.3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions made ashore will be posted before 1000hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the Program of Events will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 2000hrs on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.3.2 Any change to the sailing instructions made afloat will be communicated to all competitors verbally. This will be identified by Code Flag 3rd substitute with three (3) sound signals.

### **2.4 Signals made Ashore**

- 2.4.1 Signals made ashore will be on the flag-mast located on the Club deck.
  - 2.4.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the Race Signal AP. This alters RRS race signals.
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### **3. RACE CONDUCT**

#### **3.1 Class Flags**

- 3.1.1 The Class Flag for the Manly Junior Class will be a white flag with a red Manly Junior emblem.
- 3.1.2 The Class Flag for the Flying Eleven Class will be a white flag with a blue Flying Eleven emblem.

#### **3.2 Racing Area**

- 3.2.1 The racing area will be on the waters of North Harbour and the Sound of Sydney Harbour.

#### **3.3 Courses**

- 3.3.1 Courses for the Manly Junior Class are as described in Form 116.
- 3.3.2 Courses for the Flying Eleven Class are as described Form 118B & 118D.
- 3.3.3 The Junior Race Committee may determine courses for special events, such as the "Snow May Sprint Series" and "Forward Hand" races and advise competitors on the day. Separate Sailing Instructions may be issued for these events.

#### **3.4 Marks**

- 3.4.1 Marks for the Manly Junior Class are as described in Form 116.
- 3.4.2 Marks for the Flying Eleven Class are as described in Form 118C & 118D.
- 3.4.3 The Start/Finish mark will be an orange inflatable cylindrical buoy.
- 3.4.4 The Change mark will be a pink inflatable cylindrical buoy with a black band.

#### **3.5 Areas that are Obstructions**

- 3.5.1 The area of water inside the registered moorings and the adjacent shoreline inside North Harbour will be considered Prohibited Water (ie: obstruction) for boats that are racing and boats shall not sail inside the area designated Prohibited Water. Boats that infringe this instruction will be scored DNF.
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## 4. RACE PROCEDURES

### 4.1 The Start

- Races will be started in accordance with RRS26.
- The Warning signal for the Manly Junior Class will not be before 1055hrs on days when there is one race, or 1025hrs on days there are two races.
- The Warning signal for the Flying Eleven Class will not be before 1425hrs on days when there is one race, or 1355hrs on days there are two races.
- A minimum of three boats starting is required to constitute a race.
- A boat starting later than six (6) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. Alters RRS A4.1.

### 4.2 Starting procedure for Handicap Races

4.2.1 Races will be started using the following procedure: Alters RRS 26.

Time	Code Flag	Signal
Five (5) minutes before the start	Warning	Class Flag displayed – 1 sound
Four (4) minutes before the start	Preparatory	Code Flag (P) displayed – 1 sound
One (1) minute before the start	1 Minute	Code Flag (P) removed – 1 long sound Handicap Board (20) displayed
Start	Start	Handicap Board (20) removed Handicap Board (19) displayed Class flag removed when handicap board (s) removed.

4.2.2 A numeral placard will be displayed corresponding to the maximum handicap for the race. This placard will be removed after one (1) minute intervals and successive numeral placards will be displayed at further one (1) minute intervals. The lowering of the placard corresponding to the boat's handicap will be its start signal.

4.2.3 Recalls Handicap Starts – if a boat is OCS the flag X will drop when the OCS boat has sailed back to the prestart side of the line or 30 seconds whichever occurs first. The dropping of flag X may not be a signal that the boat has returned to the prestart side, it is the responsibility of each boat to ensure they have started correctly, Alters RRS Rule 29.1

### 4.3 Starting Line

4.3.1 The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the start mark at the port end.

### 4.4 Changing the Course

4.4.1 When changing the position of the next mark, the Junior Race Committee will lay a change mark in accordance with RRS 33. Any subsequent marks may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration. This adds to RRS 33. Where possible, a Committee vessel will be stationed near the mark to assist with identifying its position.

### 4.5 The Finish

4.5.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee boat and the Finish mark.

#### **4.6 Time Limit**

- 4.6.1 The time limit for the Manly Junior Class is 120 minutes (or 60 minutes on days with two races) from the start of each race. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes (or 15 minutes on days with two races) from of the first boat to finish, who are still racing, will be finished on course (FOC) and scored based upon the number of finishes within the 30 minutes (or 15 minutes on days with two races) plus one. This alters RRS 35, A4 and A9.
- 4.6.2 The time limit for the Flying Eleven Class is 120 minutes (or 60 minutes on days with two races) from the start of each race. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes (or 15 minutes on days with two races) from of the first boat to finish, who are still racing, will be finished on course (FOC) and scored based upon the number of finishes within the 30 minutes (or 15 minutes on days with two races) plus one. This alters RRS 35, A4 and A9.
- 4.6.3 If no boat has finished within the time limit from the start of a race, the race will be abandoned.

### **5. HANDICAPS**

#### **5.1 System**

- 5.1.1 The handicap system adopted at the commencement of a season shall not be altered during the season.
- 5.1.2 The maximum handicap will be twenty (20) minutes.
- 5.1.3 Any new boat to register during the season must sail two (2) races on a scratch handicap before a handicap is assigned.

#### **5.2 Revision or Changes to Handicaps**

- 5.2.1 A boat may seek revision of its handicap. An application shall be made in writing to the Junior Race Committee.
- 5.2.2 Handicaps will be reviewed weekly and may be adjusted where necessary. The Junior Sailing Division Handicappers reserve the right to adjust a boat's handicap at any time. This will not be cause for redress. Alters RRS 62.
- 5.2.3 In the event of a change of boat, skipper or crew, the Junior Race Committee may review the Handicap to determine if it requires adjustment. The Junior Race Committee may then amend or set the boat's handicap at its discretion, however no boat shall receive a handicap higher than its last adjusted handicap with its regular skipper. This will not be cause for redress. Alters RRS 62.
- 5.2.4 Any changes or reviews made under clauses 5.2.1, 5.2.2 & 5.2.3 must be documented and include justification for such changes (records must be retained for the season).

### **6. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 6.1.1 RRS 61.1(a)(2) is amended by deleting "if the hull length of the protesting boat is less than 6 metres, she need not display a red flag".
  - 6.1.2 Protest Forms are available at the Sailing Office. Protests are to be delivered there within the protest time limit.
  - 6.1.3 The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the last boat of her class has finished the last race of the day. Alters RRS 61.3 & 62.2.
  - 6.1.4 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform
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competitors of the Hearing(s) in which they are parties or named as witnesses, the order of the Hearing(s), the time and location of the Hearing(s).

- 6.1.5 Notices of Protests by the Race Committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1 (b).
- 6.1.6 Breaches of Sailing Instructions 4.6, 8.1, 10 and 11 shall not be grounds for Protest by a boat. Alters RRS 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.

## **6.2 Protest Mediation – Manly Junior Division Only**

- 6.2.1 For protests involving an alleged breach of a rule of RRS Part 2 or Part 4, a short mediation hearing may be held prior to a Protest Hearing. This changes Part 5, section B.
- 6.2.2 After a written protest is lodged, one representative from each boat will meet with the mediator. The time and place of the hearing will be decided by the mediator and such advice may be given verbally. No witnesses will be permitted at this hearing. The mediator shall decide the manner in which the testimony is given.
- 6.2.3 The mediator will be appointed by the Protest Committee but shall not be a member of a subsequent Protest Committee. Should the protest proceed to a Protest Hearing the mediator may be called as a witness at that hearing.
- 6.2.4 After taking testimony at a mediation hearing the mediator shall make one of the following conclusions:
  - a) The protest does not comply with RRS 61 and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
  - b) The protest shall proceed to a Protest Hearing. (This may be because a RRS other than Part 2 or Part 4 may be involved, or because evidence is too complex or divergent to reach a reasonable conclusion, or due to the apparent severity of the alleged infringement, or for any other reason decided by the mediator).
  - c) There was no infringement and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
  - d) There has been an infringement by one or more boats involved. A boat that accepts the mediator's opinion that she broke a rule of Part 2 or Part 4 shall have her elapsed time for the race increased by 3% or 5 minutes (whichever is greater). Protests not resolved by mediation will be forwarded to the Protest Committee.
- 6.2.5 The acceptance of a mediator's opinion cannot be grounds for redress or reopening. This changes RRS 60.1, 62 and 66.

## **7. SCORING**

- 7.1.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply as modified by SI 8.

## **8. POINT SCORES AND PRIZES**

### **8.1 Club Championship**

- 8.1.1 Six (6) races will be scheduled for the Club Championship Point score.
  - 8.1.2 Points will be awarded to the boat on the basis of scratch results.
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- 8.1.3 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute the Club Championship.
- 8.1.4 If more than four (4) races are completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding the worst score. If four (4) or less races are completed, all races shall count. Alters RRS A2.
- 8.1.5 To be eligible for the Club Championship, a boat must be scored in 75% (in total) of the following Club events:
- Opening Day race – NPS (if scheduled in the Junior Sailing Calendar)
  - Snow May sprint series
  - Forward Hand race

**and all completed races in the Annual Point Score.**

*Note: A boat which does not score in a race is one which has been scored DNC.*

- 8.1.6 If a boat competes in either the State or National Championships for its Class, the boat must nominate Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club as the Club it is representing as an additional requirement to be eligible for the Club Championship.
- 8.1.7 In the event that the boat fails to qualify for the Club Championship, a placing gained in any race sailed by that boat shall count in so far as the calculation of points allotted for all other boats registered to sail with the Club in that race.

**8.2 Annual Point Score**

- 8.2.1 A minimum of 12 races will be scheduled for the Annual Point score.
- 8.2.2 Points will be awarded to the boat on the basis of Handicap results.
- 8.2.3 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute the Annual Point Score.
- 8.2.4 If more than nine (9) races are completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding the worst score. If nine (9) or less races are completed, all races shall count. Alters RRS A2.

**8.3 Half Season Point Score**

- 8.3.1 The first Half Season Point score will consist of all Point Score races sailed in the period specified in the Junior Sailing Calendar.
- 8.3.2 The second Half Season Point score will consist of all Point Score races sailed in the period specified in the Junior Sailing Calendar.
- 8.3.3 Points will be awarded to the boat on the basis of Handicap results.
- 8.3.4 Two (2) races may constitute the first Half season and second Half Season Point Scores.
- 8.3.5 If more than four (4) races are completed a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding the worst score. If four (4) or less races are completed, all races shall count. Alters RRS A2.

**8.4 Golf Club Trophy Point Score**

- 8.4.1 A minimum of five (5) races will be scheduled for the Golf Club Trophy Point Score.
- 8.4.2 All nominated races prior to final round of the State Championships will be
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scratch starts.

- 8.4.3 All nominated races after the final round of the State Championships will be Handicap starts.
- 8.4.4 Points will be awarded to the boat on the basis of Handicap results.
- 8.4.5 Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute the Golf Club Trophy Point Score.
- 8.4.6 If more than three (3) races are completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding the worst score. If three (3) or less races are completed, all races shall count. Alters RRS A2.

## **8.5 Prizes**

- 8.5.1 Prizes for the Manly Junior Class will be awarded to the skipper and crew placing first, second and third overall in the Club Championship and Annual Point Score and first in the Half season and Golf Club Trophy Point scores. Further prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Junior Race Committee.
- 8.5.2 Boats in the Flying Eleven Class will be awarded to the skipper and crew placing first, second and third overall in the Club Championship and Annual Point Score and first in the Half Season and Golf Club Trophy Point Scores. Further prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Junior Race Committee.
- 8.5.3 Boats in the Manly Junior Class and Flying Eleven Class will be awarded only one (1) prize for places in the Club Championship, Annual Point Score, Half Season Point Scores and Golf Club Point Score. The name of the winning boat will be engraved on the applicable perpetual trophy.
- 8.5.4 Where a boat has placed in more than one (1) Point Score or Championship the boat may select from the relevant donated prizes the prize they wish to be awarded. Subsequent prizes will be awarded to the next eligible boat.

## **9. ABANDONED OR POSTPONED RACES**

- 9.1.1 Any scheduled race, which is Abandoned or Postponed may be sailed at a later date at the discretion of the Junior Race Committee. Any trophies for the Abandoned or Postponed race may be re-allocated.
- 9.1.2 Attendance at Abandoned races will not be considered in regards to SI 8.1.5 Refer RRS Definitions.

## **10. CHANGE OF SKIPPER OR CREW**

- 10.1.1 Substitution/change of crew or skipper will not be allowed without prior approval of the Junior Race Committee. Approval shall be at the sole discretion of the Junior Race Committee and they shall consider factors including the experience of the crew or skipper and the race being sailed.
  - 10.1.2 Any substitution/change of skipper or crew to that which is nominated on the Boat Registration Form, must be requested in writing by completing the Change of Skipper Form (Form 103). This form must be submitted to the Sailing Office or Junior Race Committee at least one (1) hour prior to the start of the race affected by the change, unless the change has previously been approved by the Junior Race Committee. For the purpose of clarity; the skipper and crew are both able undertake any and all activities on a boat during a race including having the crew helm the boat.
  - 10.1.3 Failure to comply with instruction 10.1.1 and 10.1.2 will result in the boat concerned being deemed DNC (Did not start; did not come to the starting area).
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This will not be cause for redress. Alters RRS62.

- 10.1.4 In the event of a substitution/change of skipper or crew, a boat's handicap must be reviewed in accordance with the provisions of clause 5.2.3 of these sailing instructions.

## **11. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 11.1.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the applicable Class Rules, YA Special Regulations, Part 2 and these Sailing Instructions.
- 11.1.2 Substitution of damaged or lost sails, foils, mast or hull will not be allowed unless authorised by the Junior Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made, in writing, to the Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 11.1.3 Failure to comply with 11.1.2 will result in the boat concerned being deemed DNC (Did not start; did not come to the starting area). This will not be cause for redress, Alters RRS62.
- 11.1.4 In the event of substitution/change of equipment, a boat's handicap may be reviewed in accordance with the provisions of clause 5.2.3 of these sailing instructions.

## **12. RACE COMMITTEE AND OTHER VESSELS**

### **12.1 Committee Vessels**

- 12.1.1 All race Committee vessels will be flying the burgee of the Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club.

### **12.2 Support Boats**

- 12.2.1 During Club races, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel (collectively support) boats will not assist or impede boats that are racing from the time of the Warning signal until all boats have finished the race or the race Committee signals a Postponement, General Recall or Abandonment.
- 12.2.2 The intention of this instruction is to ensure that no coaching or support is offered to boats during the race (unless there is a safety requirement).
- 12.2.3 At times the nominated coach or his/her representative/s may assist inexperienced tail end boats on the course. Amends RRS 41.
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## 13. SAFETY REGULATIONS

**Note:**

*Sailors are reminded that activity contrary to Maritime Legislation, Aquatic License Conditions or failure to report on-water incidents may result in the cancellation of the Clubs Aquatic License.*

### 13.1 General Safety Requirements

- 13.1.1 The skipper of each boat shall sign on before the start of the race and sign off within one hour of the finish of the last boat for that race. Sign on and sign off sheets will be placed in the Boatshed.
- 13.1.2 Failure to sign on will result in that boat being recording as DNC. A Failure to sign off will result in that boat being recorded as DSQ. This changes Rule 63.1.
- 13.1.3 All boats shall report to the Junior Race Committee boat prior to the start of the race by sailing past on starboard tack and hailing their sail number indicating they intend to start the race.
- 13.1.4 A boat that retires shall notify a Race Committee vessel. The boat shall sign off upon return to shore.
- 13.1.5 Bombora X (Dobroyd Point) and Danger Pile X in North Harbour are CARDINAL marks and shall be passed to seaward at all times.
- 13.1.6 Competitors shall follow the directions of Race Committee personnel when instructed to do so.
- 13.1.7 It is highly recommended that all competitors and officials wear sunscreen and/or other protective clothing.
- 13.1.8 All boats shall have a 38mm metal tow ring located at the bow.
- 13.1.9 All boats shall have a mainsail release fitted.

### 13.2 Ferry and Commercial Shipping – Safety of Navigation

- 13.2.1 All competitors shall observe the Ship & Ferry activated Exclusion Zone (Refer Appendix A of these Sailing instructions). Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

**Note:**

*All Ferries are now fitted with bow cameras that continuously record the vessel's progress in addition to 25 cameras located around the harbour, which monitor ferries and also record close quarter incidences. The cameras were installed as a result of a coronial enquiry, and may be used for enforcement action by the Roads and Maritime Service. Fines in excess of **\$500** may apply for non compliance.*

### 13.3 Incident and Accident Reporting

- 13.3.1 It is a requirement of the Club's Aquatic License that all on water incidents resulting in damage worth more than 10% of the vessels value must be reported to the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS).
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**Note:**

*If owners do not report the incident and simply claim repair costs on insurance, they may find that the insurance companies may not accept the claim. Insurers regularly ask the RMS for the results of any inquiry into the incidents.*

- 13.3.2 Reports can be made directly to the RMS (Forms are available on the RMS Website or at the Sailing Office), the Sailing Office must also be provided with a copy as part of our own incident and risk management requirements.
- 13.3.3 If a protest is heard following a reportable incident, and a result is given by the protest committee, this should be forwarded to the RMS and in most cases will satisfy the reporting requirements for all parties. Otherwise a formal report should be made to the RMS and the Sailing Office.
- 13.3.4 Note that none of the requirements in this section remove or alter the reporting requirements as prescribed in the relevant NSW Maritime Legislation.

## **14. RISK WARNING**

- 14.1.1 This Risk Warning is issued jointly by Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club and NSW Maritime, pursuant to the Civil Liability act 2002 to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club.
- 14.1.2 Participants are warned that, regardless of the precautions, which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death.
- 14.1.3 As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:
  - a) The extremes of weather and sea conditions.
  - b) The potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels.
  - c) The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning.
  - d) The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel.
  - e) The absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available.
  - f) Exposure to the elements for extended periods.
- 14.1.4 Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club and NSW Maritime also warn participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress. Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event with Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club.

## **15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 15.1.1 Competitors participate in all races entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4 of the RRS which states: 'the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone'.
- 15.1.2 The Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club or its officers or servants, will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after racing, nor for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment or for damage which might result from competing in Club events.
- 15.1.3 The person who signs and lodges the boats entry form warrants Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club that he/she will draw to attention of any person onboard SI 14 –

Risk Warning.

- 15.1.4 The person who signs and lodges the entry boats entry form acknowledges receipt of SI 14 – Risk Warning and releases Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club from any claim or liability whatsoever for any harm or personal injury suffered, by him/her or any person claiming through him/her in any event conducted by the Club.
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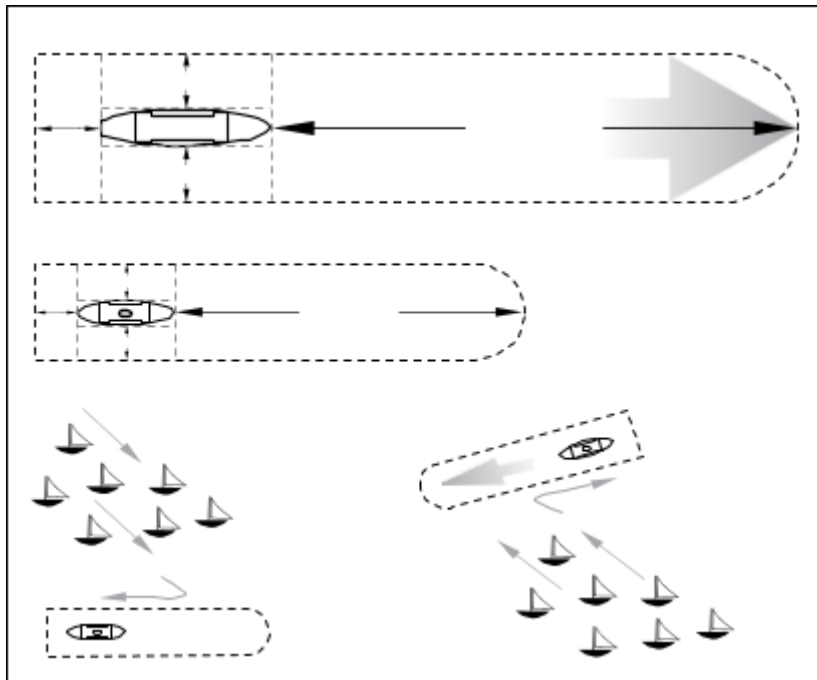
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## Appendix A - Ship & Ferry Activated Exclusion Zone

(NSW RMS Aquatic Licence Condition)

**Additional Conditions For Sailing Events**

- All competitors must maintain a minimum distance of 500m from the bow of any ship<sup>1</sup> and 200m from the bow of any ferry<sup>2</sup> and no less than 30m from the sides/stern of any ship or ferry underway.
- Failure to do so will result in disqualification.



- 1 Oil tankers & seagoing Cruise ships  
2 Other seagoing commercial vessel or Ferry operating in accordance with an approved timetable

**Note:**

*Sailors are reminded that activity contrary to Maritime Legislation, Aquatic License Conditions or failure to report on-water incidents may result in the cancellation of the Clubs Aquatic License.*

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