



The Shorthanded Sailing Association of Australia Inc



Gill -Two Islands Race

Sydney—Bird Island—Flinders Islet--Sydney

Short Handed Yacht Race

Sailing Instructions

AMENDMENT 1

Start 1400 hours Saturday 7th June 2008

5 Race Schedule and Start

- 5.1 The race is expected to start at 1400 hours on Saturday 7th June 2008. The start may be postponed at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 5.2 The Start Line will be in Sydney Harbour, between the lighthouse off Grotto Point, and the flagstaff of the committee vessel, flying a SSAA Burgee, in Hunter Bay, generally located S to SW of the lighthouse.
- 5.2 The Committee Vessel will be flying the S.S.A.A. burgee. All yachts intending to start must pass close to the Committee Vessel so that they can report in and the Committee will recognise them as starters.
- 5.3 If there is no Committee Vessel on station by 1350 hours the starting line shall be between the lighthouse off Grotto Point and the vertical structure supporting the southern end of the shark net located on "The Island" at Balmoral.
- 5.4 Starting Signals

Postponement Signal - Answering Pennant.

Postponement to a later day - Answering Pennant over Code Flag "A".

Warning Signal - Numeral Pennant 1 displayed

Preparatory Signal - Code Flag "P" displayed.

Starting Signal - Both flags lowered.

The warning, preparatory and starting signals shall be at five minute intervals. No protests regarding the timing of the signals shall be allowed, the starting signal shall determine the start time of the race. In the case of a postponement the warning signal will be made one minute after the answering pennant is lowered. The visual signals may be accompanied by a sound signal but the timing of the visual signals shall be the timing of the signals.

- 5.5 Race Time for the entire race, including starting and finishing will be coordinated with Eastern Standard Time - telephone 1194, no earlier than 24 hours prior to the race, or from a GPS receiver. **It is imperative from the perspective of the integrity of the results that accurate timekeeping be employed.**
- 5.6 Any yacht over the start line after the preparatory signal must go around the start-boat end of the line to start.
- 5.7 All yachts using their motor for propulsion after the preparatory signal must do a 360-degree turn, under sail, before starting.