

OPTI CUP SLALOM SERIES



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

DINGHY SECTION

FREMANTLE SAILING CLUB

SEASON 2023 - 2024



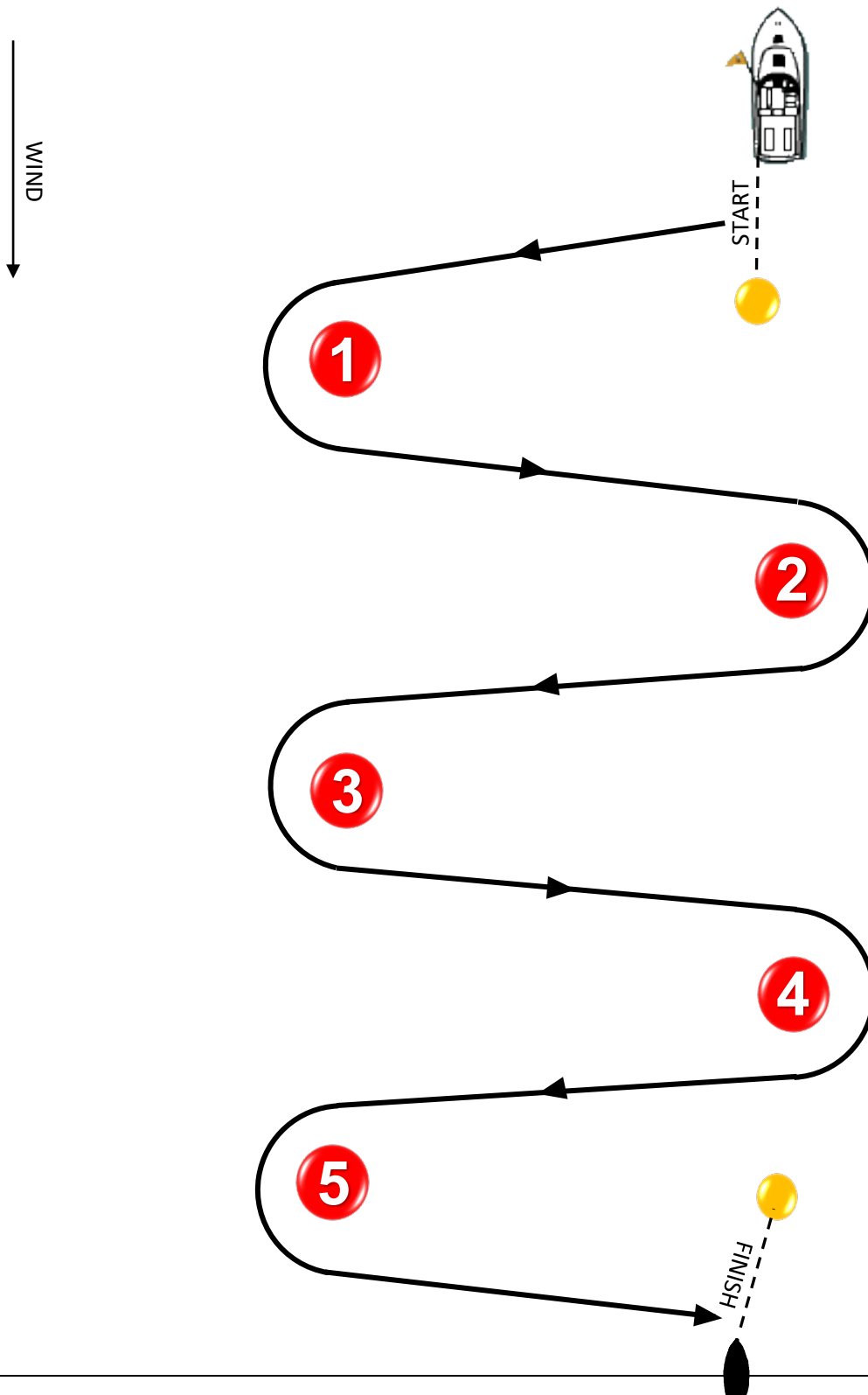
ADDENDUM A - COURSES

SIGNAL

MARK ROUNDING ORDER

N/A

START – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – FINISH





Opti Cup Slalom Series
25 November 2023 to 06 April 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

Organising Authority (OA) Fremantle Sailing Club

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. This event is a fun/training event and coaches will be on water observing.
- 1.3. To be a valid protest, boats shall hail "protest" and the other must decide if they have broken a rule and if they have broken a rule, take the one-turn penalty.
If no boat takes a penalty and the coaches have observed the incident and they think that either boat is guilty, they will whistle and hail the boat number. The hailed boat shall take a one-turn penalty.
- 1.4. Appendix T Arbitration will apply.
- 1.5. If there is conflict between the NoR and the SIs, then the SIs shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the event website and may also be posted to the Racing Noticeboard at the Dinghy Clubhouse.

<https://fsc.com.au/opti-cup-slalom-series/>

- 3.2. The Regatta Office is located at Dinghy Clubhouse.
- 3.3. On the water, the Race Committee intends to operate on VHF 74.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT [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 eastern side of the Dinghy Clubhouse.



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- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.
- 5.3. When Flag D is displayed with one sound means 'Boats shall not leave the shore'. No warning signal will be made until at least 30 minutes after removal.' This adds to race signals.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. The schedule is as follows:

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Sat 25 Nov 2023	1045	Volunteer Briefing	Dinghy Clubhouse
	1100	Competitors Briefing	Dinghy clubhouse
	1200	1 st Warning Signal	
Sat 03 Feb 2024	1045	Volunteer Briefing	Dinghy Clubhouse
	1100	Competitors Briefing	Dinghy Clubhouse
	1200	1 st Warning Signal	
Sat 23 Mar 2024	1045	Volunteer Briefing	Dinghy Clubhouse
	1100	Competitors Briefing	Dinghy Clubhouse
	1200	1 st Warning signal	
Sat 06 Apr 2024	1045	Volunteer Briefing	Dinghy Clubhouse
	1100	Competitors Briefing	Dinghy Clubhouse
	1200	1 st Warning signal	
	1300	No warning signal after 1300	
		Presentation of prizes	Dinghy Clubhouse

- 6.2. Up to three races shall be completed on any race day.
- 6.3. One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no fleet becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to SI 2.
- 6.4. No warning signal will be made after 1300 on Saturday, 06 April 2024.

7. CLASS FLAG



8. RACING AREA

The racing area is in the waters adjacent to Success Harbour, Fremantle.

9. COURSES

The diagram in SI Addendum A shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

10. MARKS

MARK	DESCRIPTION	COLOUR
1 – 5	Pimple Buoys	Orange
Start / Finish	Pimple buoys	Orange w/staff

11. OBSTRUCTIONS

There are no obstructions.

12. THE START

- 12.1. Races will be started in a 3-minutes 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	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

- 12.2. The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 12.3. The Race Committee intends to start Optimist Green, Intermediate and Open fleets together.
- 12.4. A boat that does not start within 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

13. THE FINISH

The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee vessel on the port end and the course side of the starboard end finishing mark.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 14.2. For breaches of the SIs, the Race Committee may apply a standard penalty [SP] without a hearing. The SP for this regatta is 2 points for each breach.

15. HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 15.2. Hearing request forms are available from the Regatta Office.
- 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 named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located inside the Dinghy Clubhouse.



16. SCORING

16.1. Scoring is as follows:

ALL OPTIMIST FLEETS	
Races in series	12
Races constitute a series	3
Discards after 9 races	1
Discards after 12 races	2

16.2. Rule A5.3 applies.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS [SP]

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee or other official vessel at the first reasonable opportunity.

18. SIGN ON/OFF [SP]

18.1. Boats shall sign-on before leaving the shore at the Regatta Office.

18.2. Boats shall sign-off within the protest time limit upon returning to shore at the Regatta Office.

18.3. The Sign On/off is available on PCs located at the Regatta Office and also online at:

<https://topyacht.com.au/tyow/587>

18.4. In the event of a failure of the electronic Sign On/Off, a paper replacement will be available at the Regatta Office.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorised in writing to the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

20. TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

21. PRIZES

Refer NoR.

22. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn to RRS 3 Decision to Race which states “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone”. The OA and its associates and appointees will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

23. INSURANCE

Refer NoR



24. KEY CONTACTS

Race Officer	Matthew Till
Dinghy Captain	Tim Brazier
Optimist Representative	Joseph Strauss
Senior Coach	Chris Charwood
Sailing Manager	Chris White
Sailing Administrator	Scott Nunn



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