

## **SBBC RACE PROCEDURE**

**2020 -2021**

The designated Race Officer (R O) shall advise the course approximately 15 minutes prior to start on VHF 73. All competitors shall acknowledge when called on VHF73, their intention to race, receipt of course instructions, and number of persons on board (POB). Competitors failing to comply may be deemed a non starter.

10 minute Warning Signal                      VHF73

5 minute Preparatory Signal                VHF73

No Start Signal

The skipper's integrity is assumed.

At their sole discretion, the RO may shorten, otherwise alter, postpone or abandon the race at any time for reasons of safety. They may also shorten or otherwise alter the race, to achieve an optimal course or meet time constraints, after satisfying themselves that no competitors are unreasonably advantaged or disadvantaged by this action.

### **FINISH TIMES**

Competitors shall submit Elapsed Race Time within 30 minutes of the last yacht to finish. Competitors who do not proceed directly to the club should negotiate a mutually acceptable routine with the timekeeper.

### **COMPETITORS NOTICES**

Should the R O decide to cancel the race (e.g. inclement weather) more than one hour before the scheduled start, the R O will endeavor to notify all the competitors of this decision, however failure to notify will not be grounds for protest.

### **RACE SAILS**

No running sails such as spinnakers, Gennakers, bloopers etc. may be used in Twilight Races. Genoas, jibs etc. must be attached in the orthodox manner.

### **RACING RULES**

All SBBC events will be conducted under the Racing Rules of Sailing, World Sailing and Australian Sailing unless varied by these or any other race instructions.

## NOTE ON GATES

When a course requires a yacht to pass through the Start/Finish Line, this will be designated the Gate. Vessels must pass through the Gate from the direction of the preceding mark and go either Port or Starboard.

## SAFETY

All competing yachts shall be in a well found, sound and well maintained condition also comply with Australian Sailing *Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*. Safety requirements as follows,

Summer Pennant and Distance Races                      Category 5

Twilight Competition    Category 6

NOTE: Any Single-Handed competitor shall wear an approved PFD1, preferably with crutch strap fitted.

Competitors shall not to enter any Fish Farm leases or restricted areas unless directed in the course instructions.

Each individual skipper is responsible for their decision to race or not.