

47th Mosquito Catamaran National Titles

Sat 29 Dec 2018 – Thu 3 Jan 2019

The Organising Authority is the Mordialloc Sailing Club Inc.(MSC) in conjunction with
and Victorian Mosquito Catamaran Association (VMCA)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Jury.

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the lower deck at Mordialloc Sailing Club.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on 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.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the signal mast adjacent to the race control tower.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Dates and times of racing:

Sun 30 Dec 2018	Practice Race Session	11:30	Warning Signal
	Racing Session 1	14:00	Warning Signal
Mon 31 Dec 2018	Racing Session 2	13:00	Warning Signal
Tue 1 Jan 2019	Reserve Day		
Wed 2 Jan 2019	Racing Session 3	13:00	Warning Signal
Thu 3 Jan 2019	Racing Session 4	11:00	Warning Signal

5.2 A maximum of 12 races are scheduled. No more than 3 races will be sailed back to back and no more than 4 races will be sailed on any one day.

5.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

5.4 If another race is to be started in the current race session code flag L will be displayed at the finish of the preceding race.

5.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:00.

6 CLASS FLAGS

<i>Division</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Flag</i>
1	Mosquito MkI	Pennant 1
2	Mosquito MkII	Pennant 2
3	Mosquito Spinnaker	Pennant 3

7 RACING AREA

On the waters of Port Phillip adjacent to Mordialloc Sailing Club.

Racing Area is defined as:

Before the starting signal, the racing area is within 100 metres of the starting line or its extensions.

After the starting signal, the racing area is 100 metres outside any point where a boat might sail during normal racing and includes the area bounded by the marks of the course at all times when any boat is racing.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show 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.

8.2 The direction of legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. All marks need not be in position at that time. This changes rule 33.

9 MARKS

Marks 1, 2, 3S and 3P will be yellow inflatable buoys

Mark 1a will be a red inflatable buoy

Start Mark will be a white flag with a red stripe or an orange flag in a pin boat

Mark F will be a black and white check buoy

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 3 minutes before the starting signal.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel at the starboard end and the port end starting mark.

10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of boats that are starting and, within the last minute of another start, shall keep clear of the start line. [DP]

10.4 The warning signal for each succeeding class may be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding class. This changes rule 26.

10.5 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 There will be no change of course during the race.

12 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee vessel at the port end and mark F on the starboard end.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Mark 1 time limit</i>	<i>Target time</i>
<i>90 min</i>	<i>20 min</i>	<i>60 min</i>

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

14.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 min after the first boat in their division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14.3 If a boat is still to finish, an official boat can direct them to proceed directly to the start area and they will be counted as a finisher with an allocated time, without having to complete the course. This changes RRS 28.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office, located at MSC. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

15.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

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 at MSC, beginning at the time posted.

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

15.6 Breaches of SIs 10.3, 17, 21, and 22 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

16 SCORING

16.1 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.2 (a) When fewer than 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(b) When from 7 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

(c) When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Sign On and Sign Off: All boats must "sign on" before leaving the shore and "sign off" as soon as practicable after returning to shore at the completion of the session's racing.

The Sign On period for each Class/Division will close at the scheduled warning signal time of the first race for that session on that day. Competitors who wish to sign on for subsequent races in that session must advise the Regatta Office.

The Sign Off period for each Class/Division will close 30 minutes after the last boat has come ashore.

17.2 To Sign On and Sign Off each race day competitors shall sign on personally by moving the boats ID tag from the Signed Off tag board to the Signed On Tag board at the Race Office before going on the race area. As soon as possible after coming back ashore the competitor shall sign off personally by moving the boats ID tag from the Signed On tag board to the Signed Off Tag board at the Race Office. This action may not be undertaken by a boat representative.

NOTE: There will be two racing sessions on Sun 30 Dec 2018.

17.3 Failure to Sign On or Sign Off in accordance with SI 17.1 may result in that boat being scored DSQ in her first race on the day of the omission without a hearing. This changes A4 and A5. [DP]

17.4 Competitors that did not start or do not finish, or have finished and wish to indicate retirement shall sign the declaration sheet provided within 30 minutes of the last boat coming ashore, indicating DNS or DNF. [DP]

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. [DP]

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

Ashore, the race committee may request equipment be inspected or measured for compliance with class rules at any time.

20 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats may display the MSC burgee.

21 SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support persons 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 retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. [DP]

22 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

23 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows: First Place for MkI, MkII and Spinnaker classes will be awarded. Other awards will be made at the discretion of the VMCA.

24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

25 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5M per incident or the equivalent.

ADDENDUM A

COURSES

Div 1 & Div 2 Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – 3P/3S – 1 – 1a – 3P/3S – 1 – 1a – 2 – 3P – Finish

Div 3 Start – 1 – 1a – 3P/3S – 1 – 1a – 3P/3S – 1 – 1a – 3P – Finish

