

KNYSNA YACHT CLUB

RACING RULES & GENERAL NOTES

Starting Procedure:

Races will be governed by the 2009 - 2012 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing.

The 5 minute starting procedure will be used.

Races will start **from 14h00**, or as indicated in the sailing calendar, or on the Notice Board.

The following coloured shapes may be used for bridge starts, whilst pennants may be used for Committee boat start:

- **Yellow shape, or No.1 pennant, for catamaran starts (No. 1 pennant is white with a red dot)**
- **Red shape, or No. 2 pennant, for dinghy starts (No. 2 pennant is blue with a white dot)**
- **Blue shape, or. No. 3 pennant, for keelboat starts (No. 3 pennant is red / white / blue)**

Race Officer:

The Bridge Officer is in charge of the racing.

He / she sets the course(s), as the case may be, in consultation with one or two senior sailors, and

liaises with the Rescue Officer that the marks / buoys needed are in place.

Scoring:

The "Low Point Scoring System" will be used for all the Cup and Trophy races.

Special Attention is drawn to Rule A5, " and the Race Officer may score a competitor DNS if that competitor was OCS at the start and did not return to the pre-starting area, or DNF if that competitor is known to have sailed the wrong course. Such competitors will not receive a finishing sound signal but they may request redress as per rule 60.1(b)".

Handicapping:

Races will be sailed on PYH boat handicaps only as published by SAS / SASEC. Active Cup races will be raced on boat handicap only, as published on KYC Website 2011, these handicaps will be reviewed before the start of the 2012/2013 sailing season. Once handicaps have been set they will not be changed during the sailing season.

Class Racing:

If there are at least 4 boats of one class starting and finishing in any one race, then they also will be counted as a class for a separate result to be awarded at the end of the season together with the Aggregate Trophy. In addition, classes may organize extra races themselves at any time, provided that there are at least 4 starters and finishers. They must arrange for their own bridge officer and they must advise the Sailing Secretary of the results.

General Notes:

The **Aggregate Trophy** Cup and Trophy races, held on the Lagoon will count without any discards, with the exception of the keelboats taking part in the Active Cup (both on the Lagoon and Open Waters) whereby they will have the option of three discards through the race season.

There will be an **Aggregate Hobie**, an **Aggregate Dinghy** and an **Aggregate Keelboat** trophy. Sailors will get 1 point for each race that he or she starts plus 1 point for each yacht that he or she beats

For possible class racing there will be the following -

- **Goodricke Cup** for the Spearhead class
- **Michaelides Endurance Trophy** for the Hobie14 class
- **KYC Club Cup** for the Finn class
- **Laser Mug** for the Laser class
- **F180 Cup** for the F180 class

Other Trophies competed for this season are, amongst others:

- **Ritie Barnard Trophy:** best lady helm, depending on entries.
- **Pat Kinsley Trophy:** most improved novice.
- **Boo-boo of the year:** no need to compete for this!
- **Juniors Improvement Cup:** same as the Pat Kinsley, but for juniors.
- **Marine Pharmacy Trophy:** same as the Aggregate Trophy but for the juniors.

All regattas, cup or trophy dates may change at short notice, but every effort will be made to SMS the sailors. Also please check the notice board and KYC Facebook for details.