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2010 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP**

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply to the extent they are referenced in the International 420 Class Rules.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Centreboard Clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than one hour before the first race 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 at the Centreboard Clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Ten races are scheduled.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is as follows:

<u>Day and Date</u>	<u>Warning Signal</u>
Saturday, February 27, 2010	0930
Sunday, February 28, 2010	0900

- 5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1600.

6 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the International 420 Class Flag.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be on the waters known as Melville Water East.

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 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1 and 2 will be yellow buoys. The gate marks and marks 3 and 4 will be green buoys.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 11, will be blue buoys.
- 9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be a race committee signal boat at the starboard end and a black and white checkered buoy at the port end.
- 9.4 A race committee boat signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 11.2

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 11.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the near by mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the port-end finishing mark.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Appendix P will apply as changed by instruction 13.2.
- 13.2 Rule P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The time limit will be 90 minutes. The target time will be 40 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the Centreboard Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered their 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.
- 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. Hearings will be held in the Centreboard Clubhouse.
- 15.4 A list of boats that, under instruction 13.1, have been penalized for breaking rule 42 will be posted.
- 15.5 Breaches of instructions 18 and 21 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the

protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

16 MEDIATION

- 16.1 A mediation hearing will be conducted for all protests lodged in accordance with rule 61 which allege an infringement of a rule of Part 2 or 4. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to the protest hearing.
- 16.2 The time and place of the mediation hearing will be decided by the mediator and such advice may be given verbally. One representative of each boat shall attend the mediation hearing and no witnesses shall be allowed. The mediator shall decide the manner in which testimony is given.
- 16.3 After taking testimony at a mediation hearing the mediator shall make one of the following conclusions:
- (a) The protest does not comply with rule 61 and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - (b) The matter shall proceed to a protest hearing.
(This may be because rules other than Part 2 or 4 are or may be involved, or because evidence is too complex or divergent to reach a reasonable and timely conclusion, or due to the apparent severity of the alleged infringement, or for any other reason decided by the mediator.)
 - (c) No rule was broken and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - (d) A rule was broken by one or more of the boats involved, the infringing boat(s) may accept scoring points equal to a finishing place mid-way between the boat's actual finishing place and a disqualification, and if so accepted the protestor shall withdraw the protest. (Half points shall be disregarded and the points of other boats shall not be adjusted.)
- 16.4 A mediation hearing shall not be re-opened. No conclusion of a mediator shall be subject to appeal or be grounds for redress.
- 16.5 Should the protest proceed to a protest hearing then the mediator may be a member of the protest committee. Any evidence given by a mediator during a protest hearing shall be given only in the presence of the parties to the hearing.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When from 7 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 17.2 Handicaps will be initialized based on the first three races. Handicaps will not be subject to protest or redress. Points will be awarded the same as for instruction 17.1
- 17.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the Centreboard Clubhouse.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 Boats intending to start shall report to the race committee signal boat prior to the warning signal of the first race in that session. They shall hail the race committee signal boat with their sail number and receive verbal acknowledgment.
- 18.2 All boats shall sign the Sign Off sheets located at the Centreboard Clubhouse within 1 hour of the last boats finish time in the last race of that session.
- 18.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race officer. Requests shall be made on forms available at the Centreboard Clubhouse.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race officer. Requests for substitution shall be made to the race officer at the first reasonable opportunity on forms available at the Centreboard Clubhouse. If damage occurs on the water, equipment may be substituted before the following race and written permission shall be requested before the end of protest time on the same day.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. A boat so instructed shall make all reasonable endeavour to comply with the instruction and assist with the inspection.

21 SUPPORT BOATS

Coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, except when asked to assist by the race committee.

22 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

23 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

24 PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the winner in each category. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority. Presentations will follow the last race. The meal will be served in the SoPYC Ball Room at 1830 on Sunday 28th February 2010. Dress will be smart casual.

PERPETUAL TROPHIES

Presidents Trophy - Western Australian Championship

OTHER TROPHIES

Consistency

Western Australian Women's Championship

Western Australian Youth Female Championship

Western Australian Youth Male Championship

The Mixed Crew Trophy

Encouragement Award

25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority its associates and appointees will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death or inconvenience sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

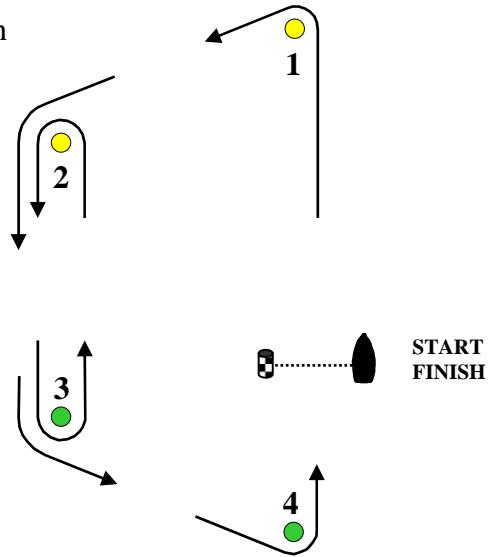
26 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per event or equivalent. By signing the Entry Form, helmspersons are deemed to have made a declaration that they have such cover.

ATTACHMENT A

TRAPEZOID

Designation	Course
O1	Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Finish
O2	Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Finish
O3	Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Finish



WINDWARD LEEWARD

Designation	Course
W1	Start - 1 - Gate - Finish
W2	Start - 1 - Gate - 1 - Gate - Finish
W3	Start - 1 - Gate - 1 - Gate - 1 - Gate - Finish

