



**Good Friday 18th April – Easter Sunday 20th April 2014**

**Including**

**AIADCA 2014 Queensland Championship**

**NACRA 2014 Queensland Championship**

**Cobra Catamaran 2014 Queensland Championship**

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## **Sailing Instructions**

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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 Prescriptions and Safety Regulations, Part 2 of Yachting Australia will apply.
- 1.3 The rules and regulations of Maritime Safety Queensland;
- 1.4 Racing rule 26 will be changed as per SI11.4  
Racing rule 28.1 will be changed as per SI 12.2  
Racing rule 35 will be changed as per SI 15.2  
Racing rule 44.2 will be changed as per SI 14.1  
Racing rule 60.1(a) will be changed as per SI 16.5  
Racing rule 66 will be changed as per SI 16.6  
Racing rule 62.2 will be changed as per SI 16.7  
Racing rule A4 will be changed as per SI 11.3 and SI 15.2  
Racing rule A5 will be changed as per SI 15.2
- 1.5 The rules of the respective class associations will apply.

### **2 Notices to Competitors:**

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located downstairs at the Humpybong Yacht Club.

### **3 Changes to Sailing Instructions:**

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least one hour before the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

### **4 Signals made ashore:**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag mast in front of the Humpybong Yacht Club.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP.

### **5 Schedule:**

- 5.1 Dates of racing

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Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2014, 2 races  
Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2014, 3 races  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2014, 3 races

## 5.2 Registration

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2014 between 8:00 – 10:00

## 5.3 Briefing

Race Management and Coaches Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at 11:00

Competitors Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at 12:00

## 5.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is;

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2014, 13:30

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2014, 10:00

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2014, 10:00

## 5.5 After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed (with one sound signal) for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

## 5.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 13:30.

## 5.5 Races on each day will be conducted back to back unless flag “AP” over flag “H” is flying at the finish line in which case competitors should return to shore where further signals will be made regarding remaining races to be sailed.

## 6 Divisions:

### 6.1 Numeral pennants will be used to identify each division’s warning signal.

### 6.2 Racing shall be conducted in Divisions based on classes represented.

### 6.3 Where there are not sufficient competitors in a class to make a separate division a combined division may be formed using VYC Yardstick Ratings.

### 6.4 The Divisions will be;

#### Class Flag

NACRA F18	F18 Class Flag
A-Class	A-Class Flag
NACRA 5.8	Numeral Pennant 1
NACRA 16 <sup>2</sup>	Numeral Pennant 2
Cobra	Numeral Pennant 3
NACRA General	Numeral Pennant 4

## 7 Racing Areas:

### 7.1 Attachment A shows the location of the racing areas.

## 8 The Courses:

### 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

## 9 Marks:

### 9.1 Marks;

1	large inflatable orange buoy,
2, 3, and 5	large inflatable yellow buoys,
1a	medium white tear-drop buoy with orange net casing,
2a and 3a	medium orange tear-drop buoys,
4a and 4b	large orange tear-drop buoys.

### 9.2 The starting marks will the race committee signal boat and a nearby yellow pencil buoy.

### 9.3 The finishing marks will be a race committee boat and a nearby orange cylinder buoy.

### 9.4 A race committee boat signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.2.

## 10 Areas that are Obstructions:

### 10.1 The following areas are designated as obstructions:

-The Woody Point Jetty including an exclusion zone extending 30m around the jetty structure.

### 10.2 Competitors should be aware of the reefs to the east of the Woody Point Jetty. These reefs are dangerous at all tide levels and competitors should avoid this area.

- 10.3 Competitors are advised that on the morning of Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2014 there will be an exclusion zone in place in Bramble Bay as part of the Brisbane to Gladstone race course. Racing will not commence until this exclusion zone has been removed but competitors practising in the race area are to observe this zone and the direction of any Brisbane to Gladstone yacht race officials.

## **11 The Start:**

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
- 11.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 11.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 11.4 If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26.

## **12 Change of the next leg of the course:**

- 12.1 To change to next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.

## **13 The Finish:**

- 13.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark at the port end and the starboard-end finishing mark.

## **14 Penalty system:**

- 14.1 For all multihull classes' rule 44.1 is changed so that the two-turns is replaced by the one-turn penalty.

## **15 Time limits:**

- 15.1 The time limit for the first boat of each division shall be 80 minutes after the start signal, for all races.
- 15.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their division sails the course and finishes will be scored 'Did Not Finish'. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## **16 Protests And Requests For Redress:**

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 For each division, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat racing in that division finishes the last race of the day. This time will be displayed on the official notice board.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Humpybong Yacht Club at the time posted.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5 Breaches of instructions 11.2, 18, 22, and 23 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalty 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.
- 16.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within 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.

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- 16.7 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 rule 62.2.

## 17 Scoring

- 17.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2 (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores including her worst score.  
(b) When five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 18. Safety Regulations

- 18.1 Sign-in and Sign-out: All competitors intending to start shall complete a Race Entry Sheet provided in the 'Sign-on' area at the club before the warning signal for each race. All competitors shall 'Sign-off' on the Race Entry Sheet within 60 minutes of the last boat racing finishing for the day. Failure to sign on or off may result in protest by the Race Committee.
- 18.2 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 or crew will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## 20 Equipment And Measurement Checks

- 20.1 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 measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## 21 Official Boats

- 21.1 Official boats may fly an HYC Burgee.

## 22 Support Boats

- 22.1 Authorised coach boats within the course area shall keep to leeward of the start line between the preparatory and start signals and more that 50 meters clear of any competitor or mark of the course between the start signal and the finish of the last boat, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.
- 22.2 Non-registered coaches, parents, private and spectator craft must remain more than 100 meters outside the entire course area from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## 23 Radio Communications

- 23.1 Except in an emergency, 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.
- 23.2 GPS tracking devices are allowed to be carried by competitors provided they are mounted or stored in such a way as to prevent any readout or screen from being viewed by the competitor while racing. Mobile devices such as mobile phones may be used as a GPS tracking device provided it is not used for making or receiving other radio transmissions while racing.

## 24 Prizes

- 24.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first placed skipper in each division, second and third prizes will be awarded where a division has 6 or more starters.

## 25 Disclaimer Of Liability

- 25.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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.

**26 Insurance**

- 26.1 All helmspersons shall have current third party insurance cover of not less than AUD \$1,000,000 (recommended AUD \$5,000,000) per event or the equivalent.

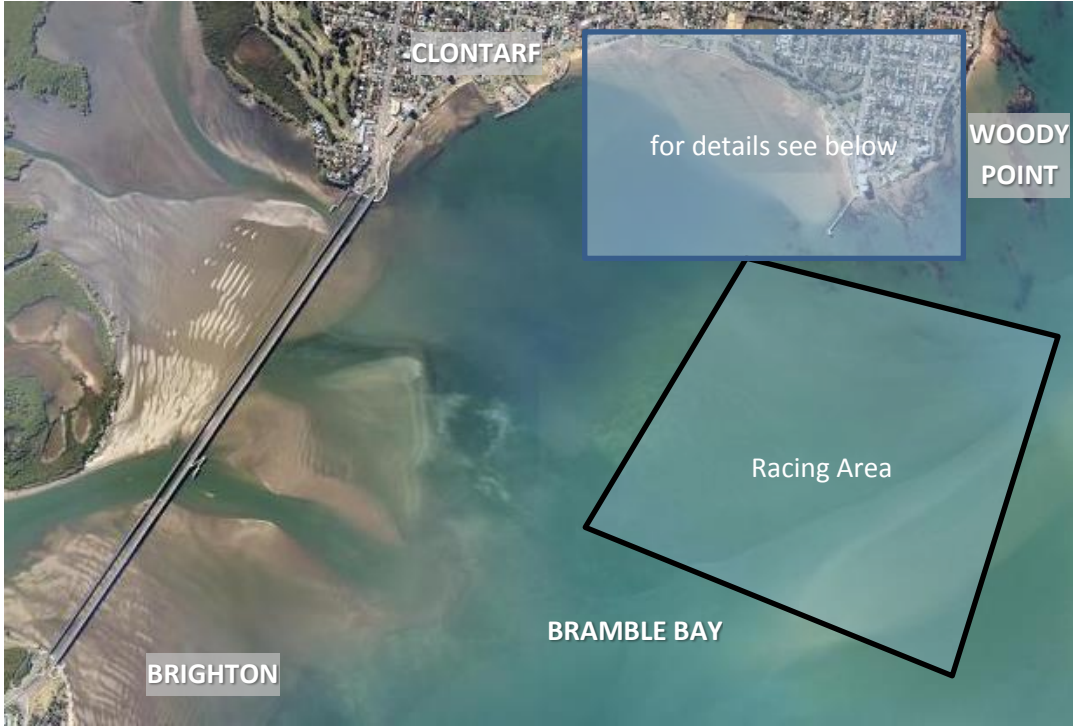
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## Attachment A – Racing Areas

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### A.1 Courses

Course location will be off shore toward middle of Bramble Bay

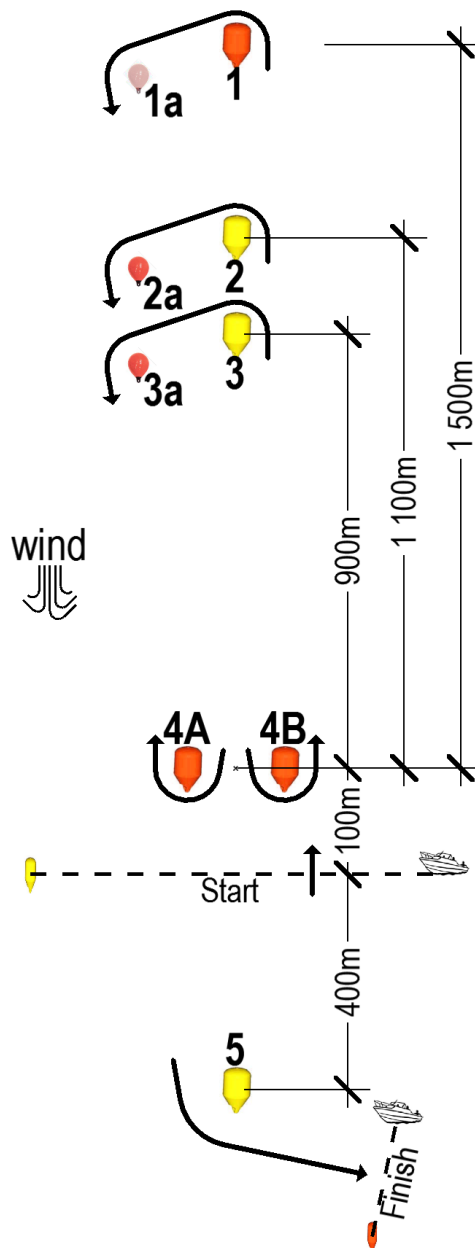


## Attachment B – Race Courses

### A.1 Courses

Course location will be off shore toward middle of Bramble Bay

	Course
NACRA F18	S-1-1a-4a/4b-1-1a-4a/4b-1-1a-5-F
A-Class	S-1-1a-4a/4b-1-1a-4a/4b-1-1a-5-F
NACRA 5.8	S-1-1a-4a/4b-1-1a-4a/4b-1-1a-5-F
NACRA 16 <sup>2</sup>	S-2-2a-4a/4b-2-2a-4a/4b-2-2a-5-F
Cobra	S-2-2a-4a/4b-2-2a-4a/4b-2-2a-5-F
NACRA General	S-3-3a-4a/4b-3-3a-4a/4b-3-3a-5-F



The dimensions shown in the course diagram are maximums and illustrate the relative length of each division's course. The Race Committee may modify the length of the course up to the maximum distances shown to suit the prevailing weather conditions.

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A graphic featuring the word 'SAIL' in a large, bold, blue sans-serif font, with 'brisbane' in a smaller, lowercase, blue sans-serif font below it. A blue wavy line representing a wave flows through the letters. To the right of the wave, several white sailboats with blue sails are depicted sailing on the water.

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