





50th AUSTRALIAN TASAR CHAMPIONSHIPS

1 to 8 January 2025

Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the rules of the World Tasar Class Association (www.tasar.org).
- 1.2 [DP] The Australian Sailing Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2 [OTB] clause 5.01 shall apply (https://cdn.revolutionise.com.au/site/b2ut5kholgzzmhyp.pdf).
- 1.3. The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule.
- 1.4. For breaches of SIs marked [SP], the race committee or technical committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing. However, the race committee or technical committee may protest a boat when they consider the standard penalty to be inappropriate.
- 1.5. [NP] Subject to the approval of the Race Committee, a boat chartered or loaned for the event(s) may declare at the time of entry or registration a sail number which may be different from the registered number of the hull, provided that the number declared shall not be the sail number of any other boat competing in the regatta.
- 1.6. Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 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.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Hook Café near the Entrance to the Sundowner.
- 3.2 The race office is located in the sundowner lounge at MOFSC.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

- 4.2 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall place advertising, GPS Trackers and bow numbers provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.
- 4.3 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with the Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club Code of Conduct SI Addendum C and all reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at main club flag pole.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 50th Australian Tasar Championships racing and social schedule:

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME
Wednesday 1 January 2025	Registration and	0900 – 1600
	measurement	
Thursday 2 January 2025	Registration and	0900 – 1200
	measurement by	
	appointment only	
	Information	1200 - 1300
	Session/Regatta Briefing	
	Practice Racing	First warning not before 1400
	Welcome Function	1800 to 2000
Friday 3 January 2025	Racing Session 1	AM or PM
Saturday 4 January 2025	Racing Session 2	AM or PM
	ATC Meeting Followed by	TBC
	Measurers Meeting	
Sunday 5 January 2025	Racing Session 3	AM
	Mid Regatta Function	1815 to 2030
Monday 6 January 2025	Reserve Day*	
Tuesday 7 January 2025	Racing Session 4	AM or PM
Wednesday 8 January 2025	Racing Session 5	AM
	Prize Giving Function	1800 to 2200

^{*}The Reserve Day may be utilised as a racing day at the discretion of the race committee.

- 6.2 For the 50th Australian Tasar Championships, a maximum of ten (10) races shall be sailed.
- 6.3 No more than 3 races will be sailed on any race day.

- 6.4 The time of the 1st Warning signal for the following day's races shall be displayed on the Official Notice Board located at the Hook Café near the Entrance to the Sundowner Lounge by 1800hrs the day before and may be advised to entrants by WhatsApp.
- 6.5 The orange starting line flag will be displayed at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 6.6 To alert competitors that another race is to be sailed in a session, code flag Q will be displayed as boats are finishing the previous race. This flag will be removed with multiple sound signals one minute before the warning signal is displayed for the following race.
- 6.7 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:30.

7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The Tasar Class flag is a white flag with red insignia.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area is in the waters of Comet Bay. SI Addendum B shows the approximate location of the racing area.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum 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. The intended target time is 45 minutes, the actual target time may vary.
- 9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the course number by way of numeral pennant.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Course Marks are large orange tetrahedral inflatable marks.
- 10.2 Start and Finish marks are black and white inflatable marks.
- 10.3 The start boat clearance mark will be a Red pimple mark. *Refer to Addendum A for courses*

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

- 11.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end black and white inflatable starting mark.
- 11.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 In the event of a minor change in wind direction, (10 degrees or less), the race committee may relocate the existing marks without signalling a Change of Course.
- 12.2 To change the next leg of the course (greater than 10 degrees), the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end black and white inflatable finishing mark.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 14.1 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress.
- 14.2 Time limit for first boat to finish is 90 minutes.
- 14.3 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.

15 HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 15.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office at the Sundowner Lounge near the Hook Café.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted as soon as practical after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

16 SCORING

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

- 16.2 The scoring system is as follows:
 - (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When nine or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 [SP] For each race session each boat intending to race shall sign on using the sign on/off board located in the Hook Café near the regatta office prior to the first warning signal. Failure to comply shall result in a boat being penalised with an event nominated penalty (ENP) of 4 places for the first race session, but not worse than the score DSQ, without a hearing.
- 17.2 [SP] All boats shall sign off using the sign on/off board located in the Hook Café near the regatta office, no later than 60 minutes after the finish time of the last boat in the last race of each session or from when the race committee signals no further racing, whichever is later. Failure to comply shall result in a boat being penalised with an event nominated penalty (ENP) of 4 places for the last race in the session, but not worse than the score for DSQ, without a hearing.
- 17.3 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. Promptly after returning to shore, the boat shall complete a retirement declaration form, which is available at regatta office in the Sundowner Lounge near the Hook Café.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 18.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

19.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

19.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

20 OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 20.1 Race management vessels will be identified by florescent green flags with "R" displayed.
- 20.2 Media vessels will be identified by florescent green flags with "M" displayed
- 20.3 No private drones can be used on the racecourse

21 SUPPORT VESSELS

- 21.1. [DP] Support boats must identify themselves to the regatta office prior to the start of racing, and shall indicate which boat(s) they are supporting. Support boats are required to monitor the VHF radio channel as instructed by the race committee, and to provide support to other competitors, if so instructed.
- 21.2. 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 start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. Unless requested to provide assistance by the race committee.

22 TRASH DISPOSAL

22.1 Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

23 PRIZES

23.1 Prizes for the 50th Australian Tasar Championships will be awarded as follows where there are five or more eligible entrants:

Top 3 places overall

Apprentice Masters Champion (combined age of 60 to 79 years)

Masters Champion (combined age of 80 to 99 years)

Grand Masters Champion (combined age of 100 to 119)

Super Grand Masters Champion (combined age of 120 to 139)

Super Super Grand Masters Champion (combined age of 140 years or more)

First Female Helm

First Youth Helm (helm is 21 years or younger)

The Australian Tasar Championship perpetual trophy will be awarded to the highest placed Australian* team.

* An Australian is defined as being a member of an Australian Sailing/Yacht Club and a member of an Australian Tasar Class Association as at Friday 27 December 2024.

24 RISK STATEMENT

24.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury.

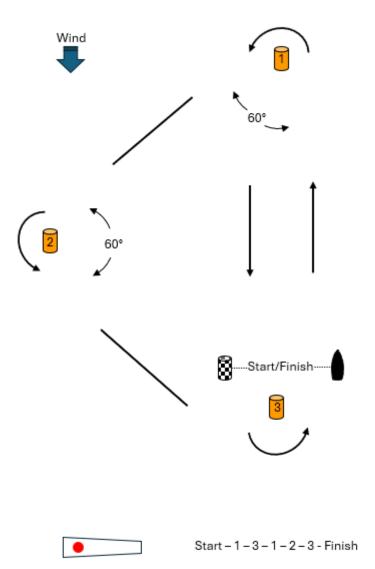
Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

25 INSURANCE

25.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD 10,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

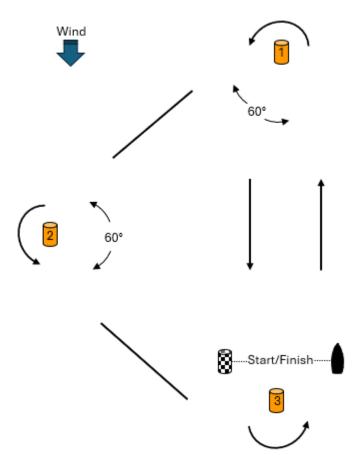
Addendum A: Course Diagrams

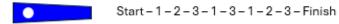
COURSE 1



Mark 1, 2, 3	Orange inflatable buoys
Signal vessel clearance mark	Red pimple mark
Start/Finish	Black and white inflatable buoy

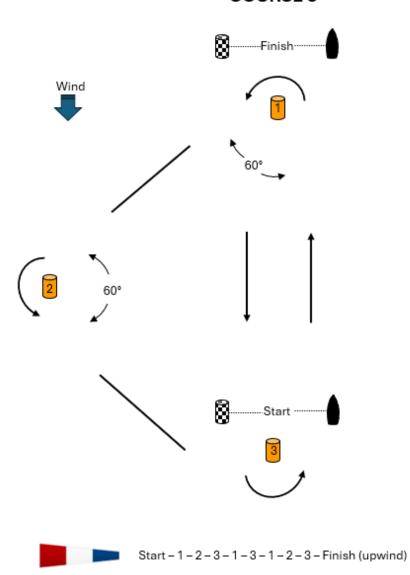
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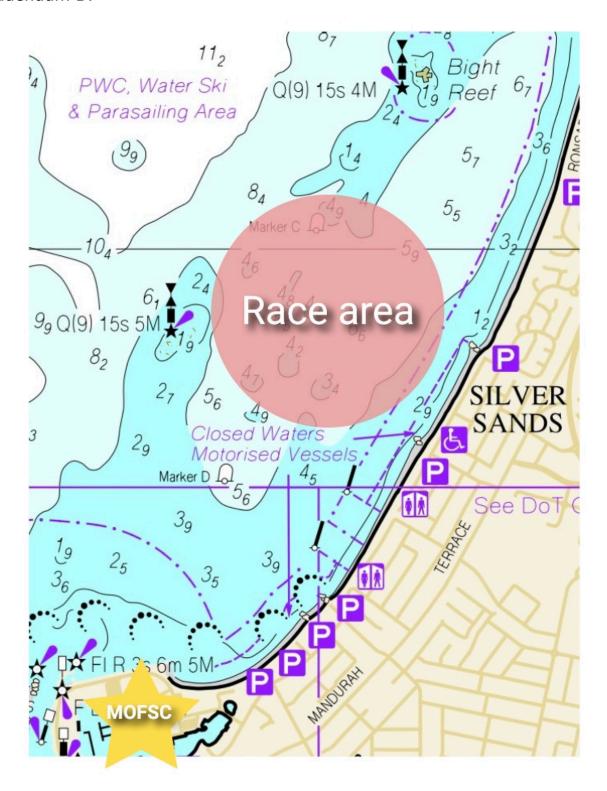
Mark 1, 2, 3	Orange inflatable buoys
Signal vessel clearance mark	Red pimple mark
Start/Finish	Black and white inflatable buoy

COURSE 3



Mark 1, 2, 3	Orange inflatable buoys
Signal vessel clearance mark	Red pimple mark
Start/Finish	Black and white inflatable buov

Addendum B:



Addendum C:

Code of Conduct

The Tasar Association of WA and Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club are committed to providing a safe, respectful, inclusive and flexible Sailing environment that is free from discrimination, harassment, sexual harassment and bullying. We do not tolerate or condone any form of discrimination, harassment, sexual harassment or bullying.

This Code of Conduct outlines expected standards of behaviour by all Participants in any competition or sailing event conducted by the club. All Participants take part in the event on the condition that they agree to abide by this Code of Conduct.

A breach of this Code of Conduct by any Participant may lead to disciplinary action, including immediate disqualification from the competition or sailing event. Any disciplinary action taken by World Sailing, Australian Sailing, or Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club will be fully supported by the Tasar Association of WA.

Definitions of Participants:

All Participants must comply with this Code of Conduct.

Participants include but are not limited to:

- Tasar Class dinghy owners;
- Crew of any competing Tasar;
- · Any Support Crew either on land or on the water;
- · Full-time, part-time, professional staff and crew;
- · Coaches and affiliated support persons;
- Volunteers and anyone working in an unpaid capacity.

This Code of Conduct applies to all Participants while:

- Attending any Tasar event, including practice, training and Registration prior to the commencement of the Event, and all post event activities; and
- At all times, whether sailing or otherwise and whether at the venue of the event or otherwise including but not limited to any social gatherings of Participants such as prizegiving or another event related activities.

Standards of behaviour

The Tasar Association of WA and Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club members and participants are responsible for promoting a safe, respectful, inclusive and flexible event environment by:

- Treating all competitors and their guests and staff assisting in the running of any Tasar event with dignity, courtesy and respect;
- · Respecting cultural, ethnic, religious, gender and sexual orientation differences;
- Behaving in a professional, fair and courteous manner at all times;
- Promptly reporting any breaches of this Code of Conduct, whether it is against you or another person, to the

Owner/Skipper of a competing yacht or any Race Officer or Club Official or any other Owner/Skipper or participant;

- · Maintaining confidentiality when complaints are made and/or under investigation; and
- Abiding by all applicable laws and regulations.

Unacceptable behaviours

A Competitor must not:

- $\mbox{ }^{\centerdot}$ Abuse or threaten to abuse (verbally, physically or in writing) another person;
- · Physically or sexually assault another person;
- Discriminate against or treat someone less favourably because of their race, sex, age, sexual orientation, disability or other personal characteristics:
- Intimidate, threaten or harass another person;
- Sexually harass another person with unwanted, unwelcome or uninvited behaviour;
- · Bully, isolate or humiliate another person;
- · Victimise, unjustly treat or threaten someone because they have raised a complaint or are a witness in an investigation; or
- Behave improperly or unethically.

Participant acknowledgment

I have read and understood this Code of Conduct and agree to abide by it at all times as a class member or competitor during any Tasar Class Sailing events.

Name: Sail Number Signature: Date: