

MUSTO
PERFORMANCE
SKIFF

5th WORLDS
PERTH AUSTRALIA



**ACO Musto Skiff World
Championships 2015 - Perth AUS**

&

**Musto Performance Skiff
Australian Championships
2014/2015**

2 to 9 January 2015

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



Regatta website www.mustoskiff.com.au

The organising authority is the Australian Musto Performance Skiff Class Association (Inc) in conjunction with Mounts Bay Sailing Club (Inc).

The Regatta will be conducted from Mounts Bay Sailing Club, Australia II Drive, Crawley in Perth, Western Australia.

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 Special Regulations of Yachting Australia will apply for the Australian Championships. Attention is drawn to YA Special Regulations Part 2, regulations 1.02 and 5.01. Please refer to www.yachting.org.au/sport-services/safety/special-regulations/.
- 1.3** No national prescriptions will apply for the World Championships.
- 1.4** Inflatable personal flotation devices will not be permitted.
- 1.5** Rule 30.3 is changed by replacing “sail number” with “bow number”.
- 1.6** If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the northern MBSC ground floor window.

3 BRIEFINGS

- 3.1** A regatta briefing for Australian Championship competitors will be held at 1100 on Friday 2 January 2015 at the MBSC ground floor Matilda Deck.
- 3.2** A regatta briefing for World Championship competitors will be held at 1100 on Monday 5 January 2015 at the MBSC ground floor Matilda Deck.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1045 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the MBSC balcony flag mast.
- 5.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 30 minutes’ in the race signal AP.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1

Day/Date	Event	Time or Earliest time of 1st Warning Signal
Fri 2 Jan 2015	Registration & Measurement	1100 - 1200
	Aust Championship Races 1, 2 & 3	1255

Sat 3 Jan 2015	Aust Championship Races 4, 5 & 6	1255
Sun 4 Jan 2015	Worlds Registration	1300 - 1400
	Worlds Opening Ceremony	1800
Mon 5 Jan 2015	Worlds Races 1 & 2	1255
Tue 6 Jan 2015	Worlds Races 3, 4 & 5	1255
Wed 7 Jan 2015	Worlds Races 6 & 7	1255
Thu 8 Jan 2015	Worlds Races 8, 9 & 10	1255
Fri 9 Jan 2015	Worlds Races 11 & 12	1255
	Presentation Function	1830

6.2 The organising authority may re-schedule races or conduct re-sails at its discretion. No more than three races will be sailed back to back and no more than four races will be sailed each day.

6.3 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.

6.4 No warning signal will be made after 1530 on Friday 9 January 2015.

7 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the Musto Performance Skiff Association class flag – logo on white background.

8 RACING AREAS

8.1 The racing areas for the Australian Championships will be Matilda Bay (MB) and Melville Water West (MWW).

8.2 The racing area for the World Championships will be Melville Water West (MWW).

8.3 Attachment A shows the location of the racing areas.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The diagrams in Attachment B 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.

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

10 MARKS

10.1 Marks 1, 2S and 2P will be red inflatable tetrahedron buoys.

10.2 Mark 1A will be an orange pimple buoy.

10.3 A new mark, as provided in instruction 12 will be a yellow inflatable cylindrical buoy.

- 10.4 The starting marks will be the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and a race committee boat at the port end.
- 10.5 The finishing marks will be the race committee signal boat at the port end and an orange pimple mark at the starboard end.
- 10.6 A buoy may be streamed from the race committee signal boat. For the purpose of the application of the RRS the buoy is deemed to be part of the race committee signal boat and any boat touching the buoy is deemed to have touched the race committee signal boat.

11 THE START

- 11.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- 11.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 11.3 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 and A5. When flag U is used as the preparatory signal rule 29.1 Individual Recall does not apply. The scoring abbreviation for a flag U penalty is UFD. This changes A11 Scoring Abbreviations.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 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(s) as soon as practicable.
- 12.2 Only **one** new mark will be laid to replace original marks 1 and 1a.
- 12.3 When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by only **one** original mark (mark 1).

13 THE FINISH

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

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

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

15 TIME LIMITS

15.1 Time limits are as follows:

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finish Window
20 Minutes	60 minutes	10 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

15.2 Except as noted in SI 17.3 boats failing to finish within 10 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.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the desk located opposite the MBSC office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 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.

16.3 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 in the MBSC Quarterdeck at the western end of the first floor of the MBSC Clubhouse at the time detailed on the notice.

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 18, 21, 23, 24 and 26 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/international jury so decides.

16.6 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.

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.

16.8 Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5 for the Worlds Championships.

17 SCORING

17.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series in both the Australian Championships and Worlds Championships.

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

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

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

17.3 Positions will be recorded as boats round the last mark before the finish. Boats that round this mark but fail to finish within the time limit will, unless they subsequently retire, be disqualified or awarded redress, be scored in the order they round this mark with the first of the non-finishers being scored one point more than the last legitimate finisher. This changes rules A4 and A5.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1** Each boat's trolley (or cradle in the absence of a trolley) shall be required to display a "tag" chosen and supplied by the organising authority and boats shall adhere to the placement instructions that will be issued at registration.
- 18.2** All boats are required to sail from and return to the MBSC beach area for each race or race session.
- 18.3** Boats that decide not to race are requested to notify the beach marshal.
- 18.4** A boat that retires from a race is requested to notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18.5** Boats not returning to the regatta venue after a race or race session are requested to notify the race committee.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1** Substitution of competitors will not be permitted.
- 19.2** 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.

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.

21 ADVERTISING/BOW NUMBERS

- 21.1** Competitor advertising will be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 21.2** Boats shall be required to display advertising and/or bow numbers chosen and supplied by the organising authority in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4 and shall adhere to the placement instructions that will be issued at registration.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats other than the race committee signal boat and the race committee pin boat) will be identified by a green over white (diagonally) flag.

23 SUPPORT BOATS

- 23.1** Support boats shall be registered with the organising authority.
- 23.2** Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall comply with the regatta "Support Boat Regulations" that will be available at registration.
- 23.3** Support boats shall display a numbered flag provided by the organising authority.

24 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

25 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In participating in this event, a competitor grants to the organising authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition of the said event in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

26 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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.

27 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

27.1 Australian Championships

Australian Champion Perpetual Trophy – 1st Australian National

1st to 3rd Overall

1st Youth (under 23 years of age as at 1 January 2015)

1st Master (45 years of age or more at 1 January 2015)

1st Grand Master (55 years of age or more at 1 January 2015)

Proof of age maybe requested by the organising authority at registration for those entering the Youth, Master or Grand Master categories.

27.2 World Championships

World Champion Perpetual Trophy

1st to 10th Overall

1st to 3rd Youth (under 23 years of age as at 1 January 2015)

1st to 3rd Master (45 years of age or more at 1 January 2015)

1st to 3rd Grand Master (55 years of age or more at 1 January 2015)

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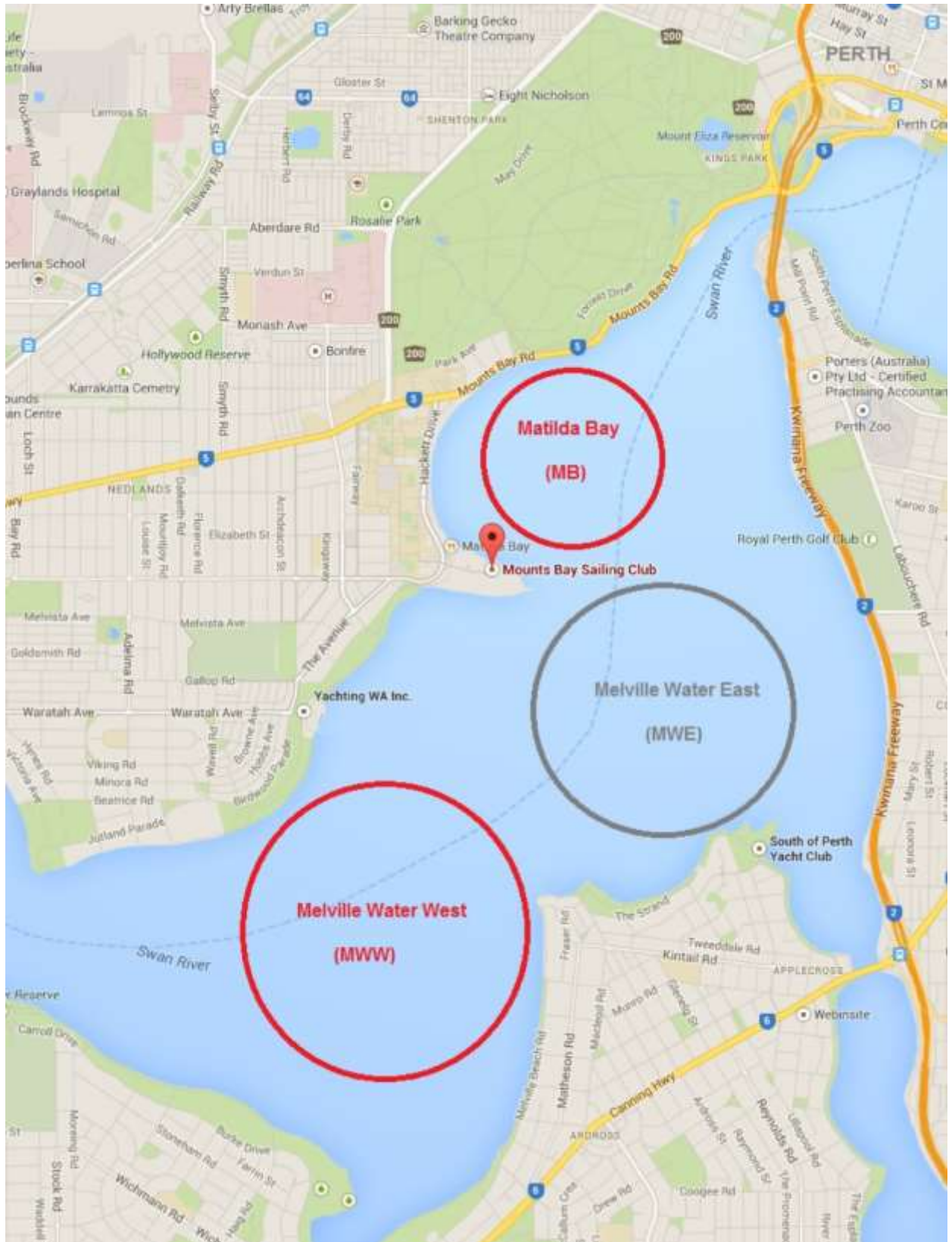
28 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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. Additionally, the organising authority will not accept any liability for theft and/or damage to boats, equipment, vehicles, trailers, trolleys or personal property sustained at the regatta venue.

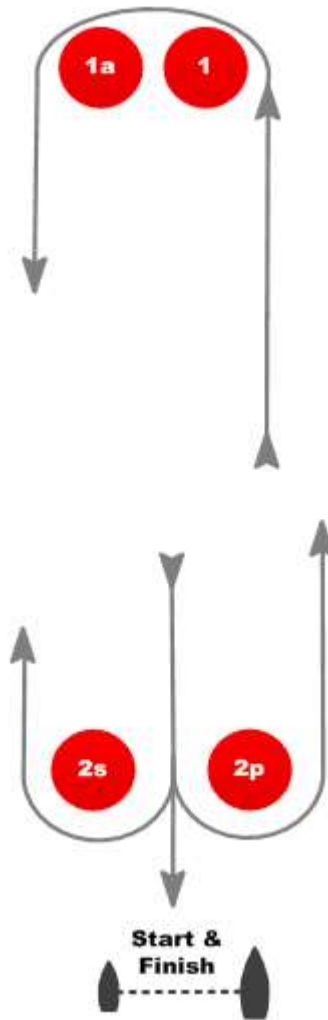
29 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

ATTACHMENT A - RACE AREAS



ATTACHMENT B – COURSES



Course Board	Course
LA2	Start - 1(P) - 1A(P) - 2S/P - 1(P) - 1A(P) - Finish
LA3	Start - 1(P) - 1A(P) - 2S/P - 1(P) - 1A(P) - 2S/P - 1(P) - 1A(P) - Finish