



**SB20 National Championship**  
**25 - 26 October 2025**  
**Raffles Marina, Singapore**



## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

The SB20 National Championship is organised by Raffles Marina on behalf of the SB20 Association of Singapore.

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, and the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (Pleasure Craft) regulations.
- 1.2. National authority prescriptions will apply. For RRS 40 Personal Flotation Devices, add on after the rule the following: "Singapore Sailing Federation prescribes that every boat shall carry life-saving equipment conforming to government regulations that apply in the racing area."
- 1.3. In all rules governing this regatta, the notations:
  - 1.3.1 [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is applied according to the RRS Introduction –Notation.
  - 1.3.2 [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.4. [DP][NP] In accordance with obtained permission under class rule A6, the class rules are changed as follows:
  - (a) Class rule C.5.1 is deleted entirely and replaced with the following: C.5.1 A floating throwing line, minimum of 20m long and 6mm in diameter shall be attached at the stern.
  - (b) Class rule C.4.2: Mobile telephones and handheld GPS may be carried on board.
- 1.5. Blank
- 1.6 [DP] The penalty for a breach of the class rules may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than a disqualification.
- 1.7 [NP] The infringement of RRS Appendix G, IDENTIFICATION ON SAILS, shall not be grounds for protests by a boat.
- 1.8 RRS Appendix G3, CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS, will apply. A boat chartered or loaned for an event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules.
- 1.9 If there is a conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race (NoR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the rule in the SIs will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.5 (c) .
- 1.10 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notice to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in front of the Race Office. Notices may also be posted online via event web. Failure to post a notice online will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 2.2 All competitors shall monitor VHF Channel 76 for any oral changes to the SIs on the water until the warning signal of the next race.

### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least 60 minutes before the first warning

signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted no later than 1900 hrs the day before it will take effect. Oral changes may be given on water as per RRS 90.2(C)

3.2 Failure to receive the changes will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a)

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flagstaff at the marina.

4.2 When flag “AP” is displayed ashore, 1 minute” is replaced with not less than 30 minutes in the race signal AP.

#### 5 SCHEDULE

5.1 The schedule of activities will be as follows:

<b>Saturday</b>		
08:00hrs-10:30hrs	Registration & Weigh-ins	In front of Discovery Pub
10:30hrs	Skippers Briefing**	In front of Discovery Pub
12:00hrs	First Warning Signal	Race Area
<b>Sunday</b>		
12:00hrs	First Warning Signal	Race Area
18:00hrs	Prize award	In front of Discovery Pub

5.2 \*\*Attendance is mandatory for skippers.

5.3 There are 8 races scheduled for the regatta.

5.4 A maximum of 5 races may be sailed in a day.

5.5 No warning signal will be made after 1600h on the last day of racing.

#### 6 CLASS FLAG

The Class Flag will be a white flag with the SB20 Class insignia.

#### 7 RACING AREAS

At the waters in front of Raffles Marina.

#### 8 THE COURSES

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

8.2 If there is only one gate mark, the mark shall be rounded to port.

8.3 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal vessel will display the course and approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

#### 9 MARKS

9.1 Mark 1 will be an inflatable yellow conical buoy.

9.2 Mark 1a will be an inflatable orange conical buoy.

9.3 Marks 2S and 2P will be inflatable yellow conical buoy.

9.4 New marks, as provided in SI 11.1 will be a pink buoy.

9.5 The starting marks will be a Race Committee vessel displaying an orange flag and a red oval buoy or another race committee vessel.

9.6 The finishing marks will be a Race Committee vessel and a nearby blue oval buoy.

## **10 THE START**

- 10.1 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 (5) minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting buoy or a staff displaying an orange flag on another race committee vessel.
- 10.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## **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 change the gate or 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. In a change of course, Mark 1a will not be deployed.
- 11.2 The position of any mark(s) may be adjusted by up to plus or minus 10 degrees relative to previous location and up to approximately 200 metres to windward or leeward without signalling Flag C, a direction signal, a length signal or a sound signal. This changes RRS 33.

## **12 THE FINISH**

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee vessel and the course side of the nearby finishing buoy.
- 12.2 [DP] When boats are finishing, boats who have finished racing shall avoid the finishing area, keeping well clear of all boats racing, and shall not act to interfere with a boat that has not finished.

## **13 Penalty System**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

## **14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

- 14.1 Race time limit - The time limit for boats to sail the course and finish is 60 minutes.
- 14.2 Mark 1 time limit - If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 30 minutes from the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 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. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.
- 14.4 The race target time will be 30 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Protest forms are available from the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit. Contact mobile phone numbers shall be included on the protest form.
- 15.2 Protest time limit and notices will be posted no later than 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing for the day whichever is later to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Jury room at the DMO office.
- 15.3 Notices of protests by the Technical Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 60.3 (b).

## **16 SCORING**

16.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute the regatta.

16.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

16.3 When at least 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **17 [DP][NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS**

17.1 A boat that has retired from a race shall notify the Race Committee vessel as soon as possible by hail or by radio transmission.

17.2 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

## **18 [DP] REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

18.1 Substitution of competitor will not be allowed unless authorised by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing and delivered to the race office at the first reasonable opportunity.

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing and delivered to the race office at the first reasonable opportunity.

18.3 Substitution of competitors, repairs or replacements to equipment, may be made on the water before or between races provided that the Race Committee afloat is notified, and approval granted by the committee before the next race. After the end of the day's racing, the substitution is still subject to the approval of the Race Committee given retrospectively.

## **19 [DP] RADIO COMMUNICATION**

The Race Committee may broadcast information to all competitors by radio on VHF Channel 76, including starting and safety information.

## **20 [NP] TRASH DISPOSAL**

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and Race Committee vessels.

## **21 [DP] BERTHING**

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the marina.

## **22 [DP] HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Organising Authority.

## **23 [DP] DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the last race of the regatta.

## **24 RISK STATEMENT**

Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in

the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

(a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

(b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

(c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

(d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

(e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

(f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

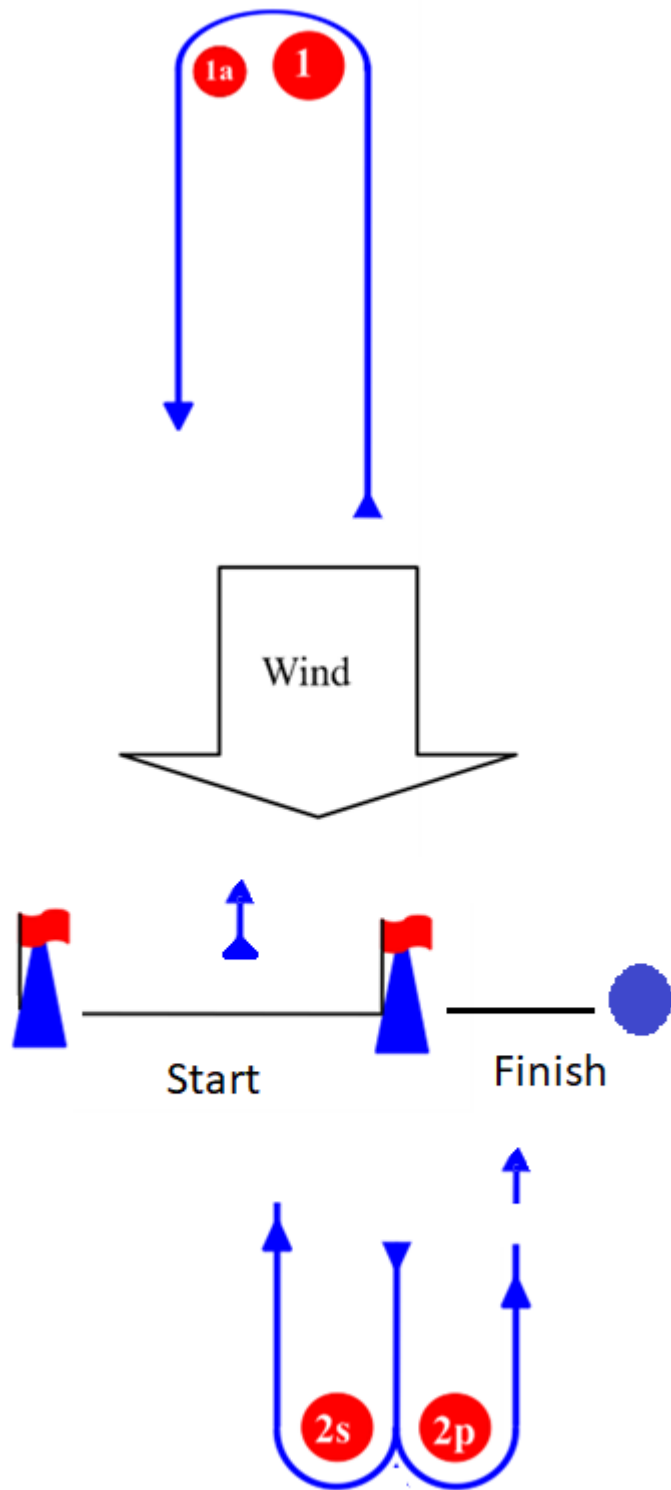
(g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;

(h) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.

## **25 [DP][NP] INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with sufficient minimum cover.

**ATTACHMENT A – The Courses**



Signal	Mark rounding order
LA2	Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-2s/p-Finish