



General Notice of Race

Lake Samsonvale Water Sports Association, Inc

Scope

This Notice of Race applies to regular club events published in the LSWSA Sailing Calendar, including the Club Championship Series, A & B Series Handicap events, and the Marathon. Other events at the lake may have a separate NOR, which will take precedence over this document

Racing Rules

- The race or regatta will be governed by YA Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions and special regulations of YA, the rules of each Class Association (except where altered by the Sailing Instructions), and by the Sailing Instructions
- The Rules and By-Laws of LSWSA shall apply

Eligibility and Entry

- Yardsticks will be determined by the race committee prior to the sailing season and will be based on but not necessarily identical to VYC yardsticks. Handicap series will start with the LSWSA yardstick and be indexed on performance.
- Events are open to all boats in the following LSWSA club divisions
 - Division J Juniors 16 years and under on 1st September of the current year
 - Division A Monohulls with yardstick 126 and above
 - Division B Monohulls with yardstick below 126
 - Division T Monohull and Multihull trailerboats
 - Division C Off-the-beach Multihulls with yardstick 82* and above
 - Division D Off-the-beach Multihulls with yardstick below 82*

*multihulls in the yardstick range 78 – 84 may elect to sail in either C or D division
- Eligible boats must enter for each event on the Race Nomination Entry Form at Race Control. The helmsperson and boat shall constitute the basis of an entry. A boat which is altered, or sails outside its class rules may be regarded as a separate entry unless approved by the race committee before the event.
- Eligible boats normally carrying a crew of two may be sailed one-up without the jib for an event where no crewmember is available. A separate yardstick will be recognized for that event and incorporated with the other series results.
- The helmsperson must sign-on for the event on the Entry Form before each race, recording the name of the forward hand. Sign-off should be performed as soon as possible after each race

Fees

- Junior \$1.00 per race Members \$5.00 per race Visitors \$8.00 per race

Schedule of Events

- Registration .. up to 1 hr before each race. Late entries may be excluded
- Measurement and Inspection .. up to 1 hr before each race, if appropriate, as negotiated with the Sailing Committee

Races .. as published in the LSWSA Sailing Calendar

- A briefing alert will sound at 10:10am, and first race briefing will be held at Race Control at 10:15am. The rostered Race Officer for that day will announce the course layout & start times at the briefing. The start of the first race will not occur before 11:00am.
- Depending on the duration of the first race, the afternoon briefing alert will sound not earlier than 12:55pm, and five minutes later the Race Officer will announce the course layout & start times for the afternoon race(s) The start of the afternoon race will occur not earlier than 1:45pm.

Measurements

- Measurements may be required prior to any race

Sailing Instructions

- The sailing instructions will be available prior to each race at Race Control

Racing Area

- The racing area will be on Lake Samsonvale within the defined area and not within the prohibited area under the powerlines.

Courses

- The course will be as described in the Sailing Instructions and defined by the Race Officer.

Penalty System

- Skippers breaching a regulation may accept a DSQ, but are encouraged to substitute a turns penalty and continue racing
- Penalties and protests will be in accordance with the Sailing Instructions
- Skippers who are unable to right a capsized vessel without assistance from the Safety Boat may accept a DSQ or substitute a Two-Turns Penalty and continue racing.

Scoring

- The low point scoring system will apply
- At the end of Handicap A & B Series, all races will be included in the final score
- For the Club Championship Series and Winter Series, one race will be discarded for the final score

Prizes

- Trophies will only be awarded when there are three or more finishers in the division. Only members of LSWSA will be eligible for club trophies and series prizes ... LSWSA members and visitors will be eligible for prizes at regattas and non-series events.
1 – 3 starters, 1st place only
4 – 5 starters, 1st and 2nd places
6 or more starters, 1st 2nd and 3rd places

For further information, please contact enquiries@lswsa.org.au

Disclaimer

- LSWSA, its officers, members and volunteers accept no liability for the loss of life or property, personal injury or damages, caused by or arising out of participation in or the conducting of any event. Each boat shall carry third party insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000