



WASZP and Moth State Championships 2024

Friday 22 to Sunday 24 March 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



Organising Authority

Nedlands Yacht Club (Inc.)

In conjunction with

Western Australian Moth and Western Australian WASZP
Associations



REVISION HISTORY	
Rev	Description
Ver 1.0	Original publication, 13/03/24
Ver 2.0	Change to WASZP starting pennant and update to reflect RRS 2021-2024, 19/03/24.

RECORD OF AMENDMENT			
The amendments listed below have been incorporated in this copy of the publication.			
No	Section	Para No	Description of changes
1	7	7.1	Changed WASZP starting pennant from WASZP emblem on white to WASZP emblem on yellow background.
2	24	24.1	Amended wording to reflect changes in World Sailing RRS 2021-2024.

[DP] - denotes that the penalty for a breach of that rule is at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification.

[NP] - denotes that a breach of that rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[SP] - denotes that the Race Committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing for a breach of that rule.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the Rules as defined in
 - i) The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), with Australian Sailing Prescriptions.
 - ii) The Australian Sailing Special Regulation Part 2 Off the Beach Boats. [DP]
 - iii) Moth and WASZP class rules [DP]
- 1.2 Appendix T – Arbitration shall apply.
- 1.3 RRS 44.1 is changed as defined in SI rule 15.
- 1.4 The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2, regulation 5.01 (Personal Flotation Devices) will be enforced for all sailors [DP].

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Race Control notice board located at the NYC Sail Training Centre no later than 30 minutes before the first warning signal for the session in which the change will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Race Control notice board located at NYC Sail Training Centre
- 3.2 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm adjacent to the NYC control tower.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in "Race Signals AP".

5 SAFETY REGULATIONS / SIGN ON AND OFF [NP][SP]

- 5.1 All skippers shall sign on, upon the sheets provided at the Race Office, prior to going afloat for racing in any session. [NP]
- 5.2 All skippers shall sign off within one hour of the finishing time of the last boat in its last race of the session, or within one hour of the time the race committee signals 'no more racing today', whichever is later. [NP]
- 5.3 A boat that retires from a race is requested to notify a support boat upon leaving the course area, sign off as soon as practicable after returning to the shore. [NP]
- 5.4 [SP] Failure to sign on or sign off will result in a competitor being penalized 3 points in the race closest to each breach, but not worse than DNF.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Event Schedule

Date	Time	Event	Location
Friday 22 March	15:30	Competitors Briefing	Sail Training Centre
	16:30	First Warning Signal -Session One	
	18:30	No Warning Signal after 18:30	
Saturday 23 March	16:30	First Warning Signal -Session Two	
	18:30	No Warning Signal after 18:30	
Sunday 24 March	09:00	First Warning Signal -Session Three	
	12:30	No Warning Singal after 12:30	



6.2 The regatta will consist of a maximum of 9 races for each class.

6.3 The regatta is scheduled with 3 sessions of racing.

6.4 There shall be no more than 4 races sailed back-to-back in a session.

7 CLASS FLAGS / STARTING PENNANTS

7.1 The class flags:

Class	Flag
WASZP Fleet	
Moth Foiler Fleet	

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area will be on the Swan River – Melville Waters West as described in Attachment A – Race Course Area

9 COURSE

9.1 The Courses are defined in Attachment B.

9.2 Shortening course: When Code Flag “S” is displayed near a mark, all boats shall round that mark and proceed to the finish line. This alters RRS rule 32.

10 MARKS AND OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 Marks 1 will be a large inflated orange cone shaped buoy.
- 10.2 Marks 2 will be large inflated red cone shaped buoy.
- 10.3 Marks 3s and 3p will be large inflated yellow cone shaped buoys.
- 10.4 The start / finish line mark will be a small red pyramid shaped buoy.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started using RRS26 modified so the warning signal will be made 3 minutes before the starting signal, as described in this table:.

Signal	Minutes before starting signal	Visual Signal	Sound Signal
Warning Signal	3	Class Flag raised	One
Preparatory Signal	2	Preparatory Flag raised (as per Rule 26)	One
One Minute Signal	1	Preparatory Flag lowered	One long
Start Signal	0	Class Flag lowered	One

- 11.2 The start line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Start boat at the starboard end and the port-end start mark (small red pyramid buoy).
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.[NP][DP]
- 11.4 A boat that does not start within 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 11.5 The Race Officer will signal a hold between subsequence start sequences by raising the Answering Pennant. This clarifies RRS "Race Signals".

12 GENERAL RECALLS

- 12.1 The start sequence for general recalled fleets will be scheduled around the current start schedule, at the discretion of the Race Officer. This changes RRS 29.2.

13 CHANGE OF COURSE

- 13.1 The course will not be changed during a race.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finish line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing boat (port end) and the finish line mark (small red pyramid buoy, starboard end).

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turn Penalty is replaced by a "part-turn". A part-turn is described as a gybe and coming to close-hauled on a windward leg or a tack and sailing below 90 degrees on any other leg.

16 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

16.1 The Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Race Time Limit	Finish Window	Race Target Time
35 mins	10 mins	20 mins

16.2 The Race Time Limit is the time for the first boat to complete the course. If the first boat does not finish within the time limit the race will be abandoned.

16.3 The Finish Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finish Window after the first boat, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finish Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

16.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a). [NP]

17 HEARING REQUESTS

17.1 Boats intending to protest shall inform the Race Committee immediately after finishing by approaching the Race Committee vessel at the Finish line and hailing the protested boat's sail number. This changes RRS 61.1.

17.2 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

17.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the race session, or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

17.4 Notices shall be posted no later than 60 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

17.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee, Technical Committee or Jury will be posted on the Official Notice Board to inform competitors as per RRS 61.1(b).

18 SCORING

18.1 The Low Point Scoring system RRS A4 will apply.

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

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

18.4 When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18.5 When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

19.1 Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee

19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19.3 Equipment Replacement forms can be found at the Race Office.

- 19.4 If the substitution was made on the water between races, both the damaged and the substituting pieces of equipment shall be presented to the Race Committee after the end of the day's racing. In this case, the substitution is subject to the approval of the Race Committee given retrospectively.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP]

- 20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.
- 20.2 When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection [DP].

21 OFFICIAL / SAFETY VESSELS

- 21.1 Official and Safety vessels will be identified by displaying a green over white diagonal flag.
- 21.2 A safety boat attending to a craft or competitor in difficulty or who has a craft in tow is to be considered an obstruction. Redress does not apply to a competitor disadvantaged by such an event. [NP]

22 SUPPORT TEAMS [DP][NP]

- 22.1 Support teams, including all support persons and support person vessels, shall register with the Organising Authority at registration [DP] [NP].
- 22.2 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.
- 22.3 Support vessels shall monitor Race Control VHF channel and shall supply assistance to competitors at the request of the Race Committee. If requested to offer support to a competitor, the support vessel may enter the race area.

Race Control
VHF Channel 74

- 22.4 All support boats shall comply with any relevant Department of Transport (DoT) regulations. See [Safety Equipment Requirements \(transport.wa.gov.au\)](https://transport.wa.gov.au).
- 22.5 All support boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$10,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

23 PRIZES

- 23.1 Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the class associations.
- 23.2 The Organising Authority reserves the right to add or remove prizes based on the number of registrations.

24 RISK STATEMENT

- 24.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.'
- 24.2 By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include (and are not limited to) strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury.
- 24.3 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 event.

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.

26 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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ATTACHMENT A – RACE AREA



ATTACHMENT B.1 – COURSES

Moth Foiler	Course 1 Numeral Pennant 1	Start – 1 – Finish
	Course 2 Numeral Pennant 2	Start – 1 – 3p/3s – 1 – Finish
	Course 3 Numeral Pennant 3	Start – 1 – 3p/3s – 1 – 3p/3s – 1 – Finish
WASZP	Course 1 Numeral Pennant 1	Start – 2 – Finish
	Course 2 Numeral Pennant 2	Start – 2 – 3p/3s – 2 – Finish
	Course 3 Numeral Pennant 3	Start – 2 – 3p/3s – 2 – 3p/3s – 2 – Finish

ATTACHMENT B.2 – MARK POSITIONS

