P.L.Y.C KEEL BOAT ADDITIONAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

To be read in conjunction with general Sailing Instructions 2023-24

HANDICAPPING: KEEL BOATS.

The handicapping will be on the time allowance by basic T.C.F. with adjustments based on performance or alternative system as determined by the Handicap Committee or its nominee. The Handicap Committee will allocate a discretionary handicap to a new boat until it has completed at least three Club races.

The time correction factors on handicaps of all competing yachts shall be posted on the Notice Board prior to the race. The time correction factor or handicap so posted at the time of the start shall be final for the race.

Any vessel wishing to score points or be eligible for a Keel Boat trophy in a trophy race, must comply with the Sailing Instructions (Rule 3 Lodge a P.L.Y.C. Registration Form with the Race Committee prior to its first race) and also advise the Keel Boat handicapper at least **3 hours** prior to the start of the race to allow a handicap to be set.

ADJUSTMENT OF HANDICAPS:

In accordance with "TOP YACHT" computer handicap program.

ALTERATIONS AFFECTING HANDICAP:

In all races, any increase in sail area, or changes to ballast, or alterations that affect trim or flotation (or any alteration that may affect performance) shall be notified to the Handicap Committee (in writing) at least 24 hours before the start of the race, when the handicap may be adjusted. A yacht which fails to observe this requirement may be liable to disqualification.

IRC and AMS Results

Yachts with an IRC and AMS handicap will compete for a separate result decided on their TCC.

CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any Change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than 2 hours before the start of the Race that it will affect.

INTENTION TO START

Course Sheet will be available at the club as per SI's. Included on that sheet will be the date, the course, race type, and mobile numbers of both the Starter and Captain at Sea.

The Skipper will sign on as per the sign-on sheet at the registration desk and check any messages on the notice board.

When the Skipper collects the course sheet, they will also collect a crew sign-on sheet. This sheet will need to be completed with each crew members full name, YA number (proof of YC Membership)

or a declaration that they have completed a day pass for that day and contact details. It will also include the skippers name, boat name and contact details.

A photo of this form needs to be sent via text message to the Starter and Captain at Sea before the start procedure begins and numbers must match the radio confirmation of POB (this includes children on board).

Any further questions or decisions made about the race, after the start, are the responsibility of the Captain at Sea.

ADVERSE WEATHER

Any Keel Boat race will be postponed to another day if the Bureau of Meteorology issues a Gale Warning for the Spencer Gulf that applies during the time of the race.

POINT SCORE:

- (a) All yachts eligible to sail in a Club race, and holding a current safety declaration, will be allocated points for each race sailed.
- (b) The Low Point System shall be as per RRS Appendix A

DISCARDS:

Keel Boats – 25% EG 1 in 4 races

RADIO CHECKS

For Destination and Day Races, boats failing to undertake a scheduled mandatory radio check where it is specified on the course sheet of the day will incur a 5-point penalty.

CAPTAIN AT SEA

A Captain at Sea will be nominated prior to the commencement of each race. The Captain at Sea will take over race management duties after the start.