

Rules for IYC Windsurfing Marathon
Illawarra Yacht Club Lake Illawarra Wollongong NSW
Saturday 19th November 2011

Marathon Times

8.30 registration opens

9-9.30 Course set

9.30 Competitor Briefing

9.55 approx START of Le-Mans marshalling

10.00 Marathon Start via Le-Mans Run/walk

15.59 Last allowable hand over of batons

16.15 Scoreboard closes (incomplete laps at this time will not count)

16.30 (or sooner if possible) Presentation on lawn at Rigging Area

BBQ available at "lunch time" for use by competitors - \$2 for steak sanga.

Normal sign-in procedures to be followed.

Note: between 2 and 5 pm the IYC Function area and adjacent lawn may be hosting a wedding. Marathon competitors are requested to keep clear of the area.

6 hr Marathon Rules.

1. Teams can be comprised of 2 to 8 members .
2. The primary aim is to complete as many laps as possible between 10:00am and 4:00pm. (and have a bit of fun!)
3. Each participant is required to be a financial member of a WNSW affiliated club (due to insurance requirements). The competitor is required to lodge a registration form and a liability waiver form, prior to entering the water and sailing the course. Sailors who are not members of a club can join the IYC Windsurfers for \$25 on the day.
4. Team competitors are required to sail the course and return to the Transition Area where they will transfer the Team Lanyard/Baton to the next team member. This team member may sail the existing board /rig combination or a new setup. The exiting team member should remove the old board /rig from the water ASAP. The team should then mark their lap off on the Official ScoreBoard.
5. If outside assistance is required during the sailing of a lap then the lap will be written off.
6. One sailor per team on the course at any one time. In the case of a gear failure a 2nd sailor can start a lap and sail the correct course and stop to pick up the lanyard/baton from sailor with the failed gear and the failed lap is written off.
7. If sailors require assistance they can be towed/retrieved by the Rescue Boat or support boat but their lap is written off.

8. The race officer/committee reserves the right to review the courses during the event and make alterations to the courses, based on wind and water conditions. Any change in course will be notified on the Marathon Notice Board and by the display of the S and C flags at the Rigging Area .
9. The Lanyard/Baton area will close at 16.00 hrs The ScoreBoard will close at 16.15 hrs
10. Competitors on equal laps will be ranked by finishing time for last lap marked off , e.g. finishing at 15.31 will rank above finishing at 14.07.
11. Rescue boats will be on standby at IYC jetty during the event, but at this stage, it is not proposed that they will patrol the courses. Competitors who stop to render assistance to a fellow competitor requiring help will be compensated by the award of Bonus laps at the discretion of the Race Committee.
12. All competitors are required to wear a suitable for purpose Type 1 or Type 2 PFD while sailing, transitioning and marking off laps at the ScoreBoard.
13. The Marathon Start at 10.00 am will be will be in the form of a Le - Mans style start with competitors running to Boards and Rigs. Boards and Rigs can be either held by an assistant in the transition area or lined up on the grass behind the concrete launching aprons.
14. The course will be set in the areas in front of the IYC based on the wind and water conditions on the day. A lap may take anything from 8 minutes to 20 minutes, depending upon conditions.
15. Detail of these rules are subject to further review and tweaking by the Committee. Further updates will be posted on www.iycwindsurfing.net.au.

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