



ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Winter Sprints 2021
Sunday 16th May & Sunday 30th May





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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions and safety regulations of Australian Sailing shall apply.
- 1.3 Safety Category 6 Applies

2. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3. Competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official noticeboard located in the RYCV club house foyer.

4 Code of Conduct

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

5 Signals Made Ashore

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag mast, in front of the Clubhouse.
- 5.2 When code flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6 Schedule of Races

Date	Event
Sunday 16th May 2021	Winter Sprints – Day 1
Sunday 30th May 2021	Winter Sprints – Day 2

- 6.1 The schedule time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is 10.55 hrs.
- 6.2 Two races are scheduled each day.
- 6.3 There will be no re-sails.



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7 Class Flags

7.1 The class flag will be Naval Numeral Flag 1

8 Racing Areas

8.1 Racing will be conducted on the waters of Hobson's Bay and Northern Port Phillip adjacent to the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria

9 The Courses

The course is follows, with marks except gates rounded to Port.

First Leg Starting line to Windward mark

Second Leg Windward mark to Leeward gate

Third Leg Leeward gate to Windward mark

Fourth Leg Windward mark to Finish

9.1 In the event that a gate mark is missing, a single mark at the gate location shall be rounded to port.

10 Marks

10.1 Rounding marks will be an orange cylindrical buoys.

10.2 The start mark will be a yellow cylindrical buoy.

10.3 The finish mark will be a blue cylindrical buoy.

10.4 The change of course mark will be a yellow cylindrical buoy with a black band.

11 The Start

11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and the course side of the port end starting mark.

11.3 A boat that does not start within five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12 Change of the Next Leg of the Course

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the 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.

13 The Finish

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.



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13 Time Limit

- 13.1 The time limit for the first boat 30 minutes.
- 13.2 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, 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 two more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 13.3 The Finishing window is 10 minutes.

14 Hearing Requests

- 14.1 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 14.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office at the Royal Yacht club of Victoria.
- 14.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria, beginning at the time posted.
- 14.4 Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.5 Boats intending to protest or request redress shall inform the race committee vessel at the end of the race, before returning to shore.
- 14.6 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and the protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 14.7 Notices will 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. Hearings will be held in the protest room located at RYCV beginning at the time posted.
- 14.8 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).



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15 Scoring

- 15.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 A boat's series score is the total of her race scores.

16 Official Boats

- 16.1 Race Committee and patrol boats may display the RYCV burgee.
- 16.2 Official boats, will be identified at the pre-race briefing.

17 Prizes

- 17.1 Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

18 Disclaimer of Liability

- 18.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. ***Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.***

19 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD 10 Million per incident or the equivalent.

20 Further Information

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Appendix A Racing Area

