

ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

BLACK BOTTLE TROPHY Single Handed Event

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1.1. Only the skipper is permitted to operate any controls or equipment during the race.
 - 1.1.1. An observer may be on board to assist with raising sails prior to the start, lowering sails after the finish and in the event of any emergency during the race. In case of such emergency where the observer renders assistance, the skipper shall promptly retire from the race.
 - 1.1.2. An observer shall remain positioned within half the boats beam of the centreline, and the main companionway.

2. CHANGE TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1230 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. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the western foyer of the club house. Notices may also be posted to the website.
- 3.2. The race office is located at the main RYCV office, telephone 9397 1277, email sailmanager@rycv.asn.au.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 69.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria flag mast located on the lawn.
- 4.2. When international code flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. CLASS FLAGS

5.1. The class flag will be international code flag "R".

6. RACING AREA

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

7. COURSES

- 7.1. Courses are as described in the <u>RYCV Club Courses</u>. This document includes the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which mark is to be left.
- 7.2. The course to be sailed shall be designated by the display of international code flag numerals from the race committee boat prior to the warning signal.

8. MARKS

8.1. Marks are as described in the <u>RYCV Club Courses</u>.





9. THE START & FINISH

- 9.1. The position of the start and finish line shall be in the area West of No. 74 Port of Melbourne Channel Mark.
- 9.2. The starting line will be an imaginary line between the flag staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat, and an orange inflatable mark.
- 9.3. The race will be started in accordance with RRS Rule 26.
- 9.4. The finishing line will be an imaginary line between the flag staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat, and an orange inflatable mark.

10.TIME LIMITS

- 10.1. The time limit is for the first boat is 3hours. If no boat finished within the time limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 10.2. Boats that do not finish prior to 1700 shall be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.

11.HEARING REQUESTS

- 11.1. The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day, or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 11.2. Hearing request forms are available from the race office.
- 11.3. 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 Committee Room, beginning at the time posted.

12.OFFICIAL VESSELS

12.1. Official vessels will display the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria burgee.

