



ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

An aerial photograph of a large fleet of sailboats racing on the ocean. The boats are white with white sails, and some have numbers and names on their sails. The water is dark blue with whitecaps. The text 'Geoffrey Evans Trophy 8 October 2023' is overlaid in white on the center of the image.

Geoffrey Evans Trophy

8 October 2023



Sailing Instructions Geoffrey Evans Trophy

1 CHANGE TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.1 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.

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 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 RYCV website.
- 2.2 The race office is located at the main RYCV office, telephone 9397 1277, email rycv@rycv.asn.au.
- 2.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 69.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 All race committee signals made ashore will be made from the main flagpole on the lawn to the North of the RYCV clubhouse.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes in the RRS Race Signals. Such Signals may be communicated with competitors on VHF channel 69

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

First Warning	Class	Division Flag
1255hrs	Geoffrey Evans Trophy	Code Flag R

5 START AREA

5.1 Near PoM Marker T25 37 52.5S 144 55.9E

6 START SEQUENCE

- 6.1 Each race will commence with flag signals as per RRS26.

7 START LINE

- 7.1 The starting line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and an orange inflatable mark.
- 7.2 A crowding mark may be laid near the Race Committee Vessel, but not necessarily on the starting line.
- 7.3 When laid it shall have the same required side as the race committee boat. Boats shall not pass from the course side to the prestart side of the line between the crowding mark and the race committee boat.



8 MARKS AND COURSES

8.1 As described in Appendix A

9 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 9.1 A change of course after the start will be in accordance with RRS 33. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the next mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.
- 9.2 When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 The following areas are designated as obstructions: The waters of Webb Dock, the waters West of the Williamstown Channel contained between Gellibrand Pier and Breakwater Pier, the Williamstown Channel south of Number 17 Channel Beacon and the Port Melbourne Channel south of Number 15 Channel beacon. These waters are out of bounds, boats shall not race in the waters of these Channels.
- 10.2 Swing Basins are also obstructions and out of bounds when a vessel with an LOA of 50m or greater when is manoeuvring within the swing basin. Designated swing basins have been established at the following locations:
- 10.2.1 At the entrance to Webb Dock
 - 10.2.2 Off the end of Gellibrand Pier
 - 10.2.3 Off the end of Station Pier
- 10.3 **[DP]**Any boat subject of a complaint by a Ship's master for any reason whatsoever may be disqualified

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finish line will be between a mast or staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee Vessel and the finish mark.

12 TIME LIMITS

- 12.1 The time limit for a race is two hours and thirty minutes.
- 12.2 If one boat finishes within the time limit, the time limit will be extended by 30 minutes. Boats failing to finish within the extended time limit shall be scored DNF without a hearing. This alters RRS 35 and A5.

13 HEARING REQUESTS

- 13.1 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.
- 13.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office.
- 13.3 The Parties to the hearing will be advised by the race office, of the time and place of hearing as soon as is practicable.

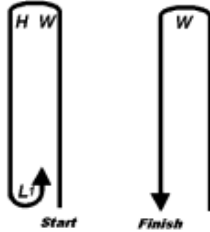
14 OFFICIAL VESSELS

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



Appendix A - Courses

Course 1



Notes

(a) All marks to be rounded to PORT.

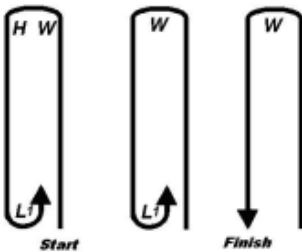
(b) For the purposes of this diagram:

W - means Windward Mark – Orange inflatable
(orange with black band change of course)

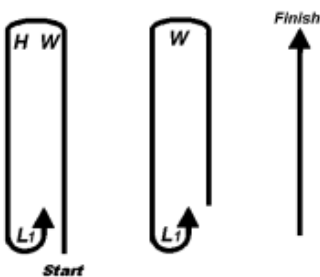
L1 - means Leeward Mark – Yellow inflatable

H - means Hitch Mark – Yellow inflatable

Course 3



Course 5



Course No	Course
1	Start – W – H – L1 – W – Finish
3	Start – W – H – L1 – W – L1 – W – Finish
5	Start – W – H – L1 – W – L1 – Finish