

ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



SAILING INSTRUCIONS

B&G Wednesday Summer Twilight Series of Races

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing including the prescriptions of Australian Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 1 will apply.
- 1.3 The Yachting Victoria Handicap System (PHS) where applicable
- 1.4 The Australian Measurement System (AMS) where applicable,
- 1.5 The Offshore Racing Congress Rating System (ORC Club) where applicable
- 1.6 Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.
- 1.7 **[DP]** Denotes a rule for which the penalty will be applied by Race Committee without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 1.8 **[NP]** Denotes a rule for which that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at RYCV.
- 2.2 Notices may also be posted on the website http://rycv.com.au/sailing/keelboat/notice-to-competitors/
- 2.3 Copies of the official notices may also be placed on the race notice boards and website at HBYC.
- 2.4 Competitors may receive an SMS to the mobile phone nominated on the entry form drawing attention to notices.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any Change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 0800hours on the day it will take effect, except a change to the schedule of races which shall be posted by 2000hours on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at one of the yacht clubs and may be repeated at the other yacht club.
- 4.2 When AP is displayed ashore, '1' minute is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes in RRS Flag Signal AP

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 As published on the RYCV and HBYC web sites



6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 For the purpose if these sailing instructions the words class and division shall have the same meaning.
- 6.2 Flags for Classes / Division are detailed in SI 8.6

7 COURSES

- 7.1 Detailed in Schedule 1
- 7.2 The race committee will designate the course by displaying an International Numeral Pennant(s), corresponding to the course to be sailed, at the Warning Signal for each Class.

8 THE START

- 8.1 Races will be started using RRS 26
- 8.2 The starting line will be between the Signal Mast carrying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and course side of the starting mark (orange cylindrical buoy).
- 8.3 A crowding buoy (orange cylindrical buoy with black band) may be laid between the race committee vessel and the starting mark.
- 8.4 Boats shall pass between the Starting Mark and the Crowding Buoy (when laid) to Start.
- 8.5 After the Preparatory Signal and before Correctly Starting Any boat passing from the prestart side of the Starting Line to the course side of the Starting Line between the Crowding Buoy and the Committee Vessel shall return to the prestart side of the Starting Line by passing on the course side of and round the Committee Vessel. Any yacht touching the Crowding Buoy shall correct her error in accordance with RRS 31 or be disqualified. Any yacht passing from the course side to the prestart side of the starting line between the Crowding Buoy and Committee Vessel shall be disqualified
- 8.6 The program of starts are as follows:

Division	International Code Flag	Time of Warning Signal
C (Div 3) Small Boats	Т	1755
B (Div 2) S80s	Е	1805
A (Div 1) Big boats	R	1815

9 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 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.
- 9.2 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:
 - 9.2.1 at the entrance to Webb Dock
 - 9.2.2 off the end of Gellibrand Pier
 - 9.2.3 off the end of Station Pier.
- 9.3 Any Skipper subject of a complaint by a Ship's master for any reason whatsoever may be disqualified.



10 THE FINISH

10.1 The finishing line will be between the between the Flag Mast flying a blue flag on the northern end of the RYCV Marina and a Yellow Special Purpose Mark approximately 200m north of the Flag Mast.

11 TIME LIMIT

- 11.1 A boat shall finish within 1 hour 30 minutes after the start of the last division.
- 11.2 Regardless of 11.1 no finishing times shall be taken after Nautical Twilight, yachts finishing after Nautical Twilight will be scored DNF without a hearing. This alters the RRS 35.

12 RACE RESULTS

12.1 Results shall be posted on the Regatta Notice boards in the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria and Hobson's Bay Yacht Club. Results may also be posted on the Internet at rycv.yachting.org.au and hbyc.asn.au

13 PROTESTS

- 13.1 Protests shall be notified to a Race Official within two hours of the protesting yacht's finishing time and lodged in writing, with the race committee, by 1200 hours on the Thursday following the race.
- 13.2 Protests will be heard at the RYCV Clubhouse, 120 Nelson Place, Williamstown or at Hobson's Bay Yacht Club, 268 Nelson Place, Williamstown at 2000 hours on the Thursday following the race, unless otherwise notified. Notice of protests shall be posted on the Race Notice boards located at the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria and Hobson's Bay Yacht Club Foyer

14 OTHER SIGNALS

14.1 Display of International Code Flag Y with one sound signal invokes RRS 40 only for those yachts without lifelines.



SCHEDULE 1

Course 1 (6.3NM)

Starting area near RMYS G and starting in a southerly direction Leave marks on the side stated. Start – passing east of Ch 71,11, and 9 - R3 to starboard – passing East of Ch 9 and 11 - Ch.71 to port - R4 to port – Volvo to starboard - thence to finish.

Course 2 (5.1NM)

Starting area near RMYS G. and starting in a southerly direction Leave marks on the side stated. Start -- pass east of bounding mark Ch 71, - leave T25 to starboard – Ch.71 to port – R4 to port – Volvo to starboard thence to finish.

Course 3 (6.1NM)

Starting area near 72 and starting in a northerly direction
Leave marks on the side stated. Start – R4 to Starboard - pass east of bounding
marks Ch 71, 11, 9, leave R3 to starboard – pass east of 9, 11 and 71 leave Volvo
to port - thence to finish.

Course 4 (4.2NM)

Starting area near 72 and starting in a northerly direction. Leave marks on the side stated – Start – R4 to starboard pass east of bounding marks Ch 71 11, - T25 to starboard – Volvo to port thence to finish.

Course Marks.

Mark '0" An orange special purpose buoy located approximately 150 metres north of the RYCV marina.

R3 (recreational buoy) A yellow light buoy marked "R3" 37 53.2S 144 56.4E

R4(recreational buoy) A yellow light buoy marked "R4" 37 50.7S 144 55.4E

Volvo Mark (yellow special purpose buoy) 37 51.8S 144 55.5E

RMYS Mark "G" A yellow light buoy marked "RMYSG" located approximately 0.3 nautical miles southeast of the seaward end of Station Pier.

CH71 Port Melbourne Channel Pile	37 52.1S	144 55.8E
CH72 Port Melbourne Channel Pile	37 51.7S	144 55.7E
CH11 Port Melbourne Channel Pile	37 52.7S	144 55.8E
CH9 Port Melbourne Channel Pile	37 53.2S	144 55.8E

