



# ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

# SUMMER WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON PURSUIT RACES

3 November 2021 – 30 March 2022





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### 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 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.
- 1.4 [DP] Denotes a rule for which the penalty will be applied by Race Committee without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 1.5 [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 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 RYCV website.
- 3.2 The race office is located at the main RYCV office, telephone 9397 1277, email [rycv@rycv.asn.au](mailto:rycv@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 All race committee signals will be made from the Start Box at the seaward end of the RYCV marina.

### 5 CLASSES

- 5.1 Pursuit Class designated by International Cod Flag "R"
- 5.2 On each day of racing the warning signal will be made at 1355hrs  
Each boats start time will be published on the Race Notice board and on-line <http://rycv.com.au/sailing/keelboat/start-sheets/> *The Royal Yacht Club of Victoria reserves the right to alter or adjust any start time found to be incorrectly calculated or printed*

### 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 As per the Notice of Race



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### 7 START SEQUENCE

- 7.1 The Race shall be started according to signals as in RRS 26.
- 7.2 Boats will be allocated a handicapped start time in two-minute groups, as per the start sheet published by the race committee.
- 7.3 Group 1 will start at the time of the race start, and a board will be displayed with the numeral 1 adjacent to the start box. Subsequent Groups – At the group 2 start time a board displaying numeral 2 will be displayed and a sound signal may be made. At the group 3 start time a board displaying numeral 3 will be displayed and a sound signal may be made. At the group 4 start time a board displaying numeral 4 will be displayed and a sound signal may be made. This shall continue until all subsequent groups have started.

### 8 START LINE

- 8.1 The starting line will be between the orange flag on the flag staff at the northern end of the RYCV marina and mark "O".

### 9 MARKS AND COURSES

- 9.1 Marks and courses to be sailed shall be selected by the from those listed in the the [RYCV Club Courses](#) .
- 9.2 The course number to be shall be designated by the display of numeral boards from the start box at or prior to the warning signal.
- 9.3 **After starting, and prior to sailing the course as described in RYCV Club Courses, boats shall pass through the gate formed by No20 Channel Pile and the Northern end of Workshops Pier.**  
**After sailing the course as described in RYCV Club Courses, and prior to Finishing, boats shall pass through the gate formed by No20 Channel Pile and the Northern end of Workshops Pier.**

### 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 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



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## **11 THE FINISH**

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between the blue flag on the flag staff on the northern end of the RYCV marina and mark "O".

## **12 TIME LIMITS**

- 12.1 The time limit is for the first boat is 1715. If no boat finished within the time limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 12.2 [DP] Boats that do not finish prior to 1730 shall be scored DNF

## **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 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.

## **14 OFFICIAL VESSELS**

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