



# ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### SUMMER WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON PURSUIT RACES

5 October 2022 – 26 April 2023





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## 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](mailto: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 will be made from the Start Box at the seaward end of the RYCV marina.

## 4 CLASSES

- 4.1 Pursuit Class designated by International Cod Flag "R"
- 4.2 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 (See NOR 1.6)*

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5 Oct 2022	1 Feb 2023
12 Oct 2022	8 Feb 2023
19 Oct 2022	15 Feb 2023
26 Oct 2022	22 Feb 2023
2 Nov 2022	1 Mar 2023
9 Nov 2022	8 Mar 2023
16 Nov 2022	15 Mar 2023
23 Nov 2022	22 Mar 2023
30 Nov 2022	29 Mar 2023
7 Dec 2022	5 Apr 2023
14 Dec 2022	12 Apr 2023
18 Jan 2023	5 Apr 2023
25 Jan 2023	26 Apr 2023



## 6 USE OF SPINNAKERS

- 6.1 Boats are defaulted to the “No Extras” start grouping. Boats are expected to compete with working sails suitable for sailing to windward and tacked on the centre line. Working sails may have clews poled out.
- 6.2 Boats electing to switch out of “No Extras” and use spinnakers or other sails must advise the selection to the Race Committee between 1345 and 1400hrs on VHF radio Ch 69 and receive an acknowledgement from the Race Committee. Such boats will start in the Start Group allocated in the “Use a Spinnaker” start grouping.

## 7 START SEQUENCE

- 7.1 Each race will commence with flag signals as per RRS26. The preparatory signal for each Start Group is deemed to be 4 minutes before that start group start time
- 7.2 **[DP]** Competitors shall not start before their designated Group Start time
  - 7.2.1 Group 1 starts with the lowering of the Class Flag. As Group 1 Starts a board displaying numeral 2 will be displayed adjacent to the start box.
  - 7.2.2 When Group 2 starts a sound signal will be made and the board displaying numeral 2 will be replaced with numeral 3.
  - 7.2.3 When Group 3 starts a sound signal will be made and a board displaying numeral 4 will be displayed.
  - 7.2.4 When Group 4 starts a sound signal will be made and a board displaying numeral 5 will be displayed.
  - 7.2.5 This shall continue until all subsequent groups have started.

## 8 START LINE

- 8.1 The starting line will be between the flag staff displaying the club burgee next to the race box 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 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.**
- 9.4 **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.**



## **11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

- 11.1 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.
- 11.2 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:
  - 11.2.1 At the entrance to Webb Dock
  - 11.2.2 Off the end of Gellibrand Pier
  - 11.2.3 Off the end of Station Pier
- 11.3 **[DP]**Any boat subject of a complaint by a Ship's master for any reason whatsoever may be disqualified

## **12 THE FINISH**

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

## **13 TIME LIMITS**

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

## **14 HEARING REQUESTS**

- 14.1 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.
- 14.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office.
- 14.3 The Parties to the hearing will be advised by the race office, of the time and place of hearing as soon as is practicable.

## **15 OFFICIAL VESSELS**

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