



## WEDNESDAY TWILIGHT RACE

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



#### 1. RULES

All races shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, as amended the Prescriptions and Safety Regulations of the YA and YV, the YV Handicapping Rules and the VCA Regulations, all as modified by these instructions.

#### 2. RESPONSIBILITY

All yachts taking part in races conducted by RYCV and HBYC do so at their own risk and responsibility. Races shall be conducted under Category 6 of Addendum A of the RRS. Neither the RYCV nor HBYC is responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. Attention is drawn to ISAF Rule 4. A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing.

#### 3. SAFETY EQUIPMENT COMPLIANCE

Boats shall have a valid Safety Equipment of Compliance for Category form lodged with the Race Committee at least two hours prior to the Start of a Race. Boats not having a valid SECC lodged shall be scored DSQ. This alters the RRS Scoring Appendix

#### 4. POSTPONEMENT & ABANDONMENT

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#### 5. LIFEJACKET RULE

RRS 40 shall only apply to yachts without lifelines.

#### 6. SHIPPING

(a) Skippers shall at all times abide by the VCA Regulations covering the navigation of small craft and yachts. They shall also abide by the directions of race officials patrolling shipping channels.

(b) Any Skipper subject of a complaint by a Ship's master for any reason whatsoever may be disqualified

#### 7. START TIMES

##### Small Boat Division Class Flag T

Warning signal	1805 hours
Preparatory signal	1806 hours
Preparatory signal removed	1809 hours
Starting signal	1810 hours

##### Diamond Class - Class Flag D

Warning signal	1810 hours
Preparatory signal	1811 hours
Preparatory signal removed	1814 hours
Starting signal	1815 hours

##### Big Boat Division Class Flag V

Warning signal	1815 hours
Preparatory signal	1816 hours
Preparatory signal removed	1819 hours
Starting signal	1820 hours

## **8. STARTINGLINE**

- (a) The Starting Line shall be an imaginary line between the Signal Mast carrying an orange flag on the Committee Vessel and the Starting Mark. The Starting Mark shall be an orange inflatable cylindrical mark. A Crowding Buoy (Orange Cylindrical Buoy with Black Band) may be laid between the Committee Vessel and the Starting Mark.
- (b) Boats shall pass between the Starting Mark and the Crowding Buoy (when laid) to Start.
- (c) 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
- (d) The starting line will be located approximately 400m south of Webb dock

## **9. INDIVIDUAL RECALLS**

If any part of the yacht's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line when the start is indicated it shall return and restart correctly or incur a 10% penalty added to its corrected time. It shall be the responsibility of the offending yacht or yachts to return to the prestart side of the line and start correctly. A recall shall be indicated by a sound signal and the hoisting of Code Flag "X" for a period of four minutes or until the infringing yacht returns correctly to the prestart side of the starting line, whichever is the shorter.

## **10. COURSE**

No 1. Small Boat Fleet Through Start Line, Pass Mark "A" to Starboard, Round Mark "B" to Port, Round No. 76 Channel Pile to Port, round No. 19 Channel pile to Starboard then to Finish.

No 2. Big Boat Fleet and Diamonds Through Start Line, Pass Mark "C" to Starboard, Round Mark "R3" to Port, Round No. 80 Channel Pile to Port, round No. 19 Channel pile to Starboard then to Finish.

## **11. DESCRIPTION OF MARKS**

Mark "A" orange inflatable buoy located approximately 0.75nm from the start.

Mark "B" orange inflatable buoy located approximately 0.5 nm east of No 11 Channel Pile.

Mark "C" yellow inflatable buoy located approximately 1.1nm from the start.

R3 - yellow special purpose mark approximately 0.5nm east of No 9 Channel Pile.

The approximate bearing to Marks "A" and "C" will be displayed adjacent the Starting line.

## **12. FINISHING LINE**

An imaginary line between the Flag Mast on the northern end of the RYCV Marina and an Orange Special Purpose Mark approximately 200m north of the Flag Mast.

## **13. TIME LIMIT**

1 hour 30 minutes. No times shall be taken after 2 ½ hours from the Starting Signal. HBYC yachts shall be recorded DNF after the published time of sunset.

## **14. HANDICAPS**

THE HOBSONS BAY YACHT CLUB AND ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA RESERVE THE RIGHT TO ALTER OR ADJUST ANY HANDICAP FOUND TO BE INCORRECTLY CALCULATED OR PRINTED. NOTE THAT THE HANDICAPS USED FOR THIS SERIES ARE INDEPENDENT OF THOSE USED IN OTHER RACES.

## **15. RACE RESULTS**

Clubs shall be advised promptly. Results shall be posted on the Regatta Notice board in the foyers of 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](http://rycv.yachting.org.au) and [hbyc.asn.au](http://hbyc.asn.au)

## **16. SCORING SYSTEM FOR SERIES**

Refer to the Notice of Race.

## **17. PROTESTS**

- (a) Protests shall be notified to a Race Official within two hours of the protesting yacht's finishing time and lodged in writing, on the prescribed form, by 1200 hours on the Thursday following the race. A deposit of twenty five dollars shall accompany all protests.
- (b) 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 in the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria Foyer and Hobson's Bay Yacht Club Foyer