



## 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 PoMC 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 Certificate of Compliance 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. LIFEJACKET RULE

RRS 40 shall only apply to yachts without lifelines.

### 5. SHIPPING

(a) Skippers shall at all times abide by the PoMC 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

### 6. START TIMES

#### Division C Class Flag T

Warning signal	1800 hours
Preparatory signal	1801 hours
Preparatory signal removed	1804 hours
Starting signal	1805 hours

#### Division B Class Flag E

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

#### Division A Class Flag V

Warning signal	1820 hours
Preparatory signal	1821 hours
Preparatory signal removed	1824 hours
Starting signal	1825 hours

## 7. STARTING LINE

See Course diagrams

- (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

## 8. 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.

## 9. COURSE

The course will be signaled by the display of an International Numeral Pennant at the Warning Signal for each Class.

No 1. Start Line, through orange gate, through yellow gate, round R3 to port, through yellow gate, pass No. 19 Channel pile to Starboard to Finish.

No 2. Start Line, through yellow gate , round R3 to port, through yellow gate, round No. 19 Channel pile to Starboard to Finish.

No 3. Start Line, through orange gate, round R3 to port, through yellow gate, round No. 19 Channel pile to Starboard to Finish.

No 4. Start Line, through orange gate, through yellow gate, round short course mark to port, through yellow gate, pass No. 19 Channel pile to Starboard to Finish.

No 5. Start Line, through yellow gate , round short course mark to port, through yellow gate, round No. 19 Channel pile to Starboard to Finish.

No 6. Start Line, through orange gate, round short course mark to port, through yellow gate, round No. 19 Channel pile to Starboard to Finish.

## 10. DESCRIPTION OF MARKS

Yellow Gate yellow inflatable buoys located approximately 1.1nm from the start.

Orange Gate inflatable buoy located approximately 0.75nm from the start. Refer Diagram for approximate position

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

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

The approximate bearing to the first gate will be displayed adjacent the Starting line.

Refer to the course diagrams. Note the exact position of the gates may be adjusted to suit the wind direction

## 11. 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.

## 12. TIME LIMIT

1 hour 30 minutes. No times shall be taken after Civil Twilight, yachts finishing after this time shall be scored DNF. This alters the RRS

### **13. 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.

### **14. RACE RESULTS**

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](http://rycv.yachting.org.au) and [hbyc.asn.au](http://hbyc.asn.au)

### **15. SCORING SYSTEM FOR SERIES**

Refer to the Notice of Race.

### **16. 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 at the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria and Hobson's Bay Yacht Club Foyer