



# WEDNESDAY TWILIGHT RACE

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Rev 1.9



### 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. Boats shall carry and display Lights as required by the International Rules for Prevention of Collision at Sea 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

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| Warning signal             | 1755 hours |
| Preparatory signal         | 1756 hours |
| Preparatory signal removed | 1759 hours |
| Starting signal            | 1800 hours |

#### Division B including S80 Class Flag E

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

#### Diamond Class Flags D

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

#### Division A Class Flag V

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| Warning signal             | 1815 hours |
| Preparatory signal         | 1816 hours |
| Preparatory signal removed | 1819 hours |
| Starting signal            | 1820 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. 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, through Hobsons Bay Gate to Finish.

No 2. Start Line, through yellow gate , round R3 to port, through yellow gate, through Hobsons Bay Gate to Finish.

No 3. Start Line, through orange gate, round R3 to port, through yellow gate, through Hobsons Bay Gate to Finish.

No 4. Start Line, through orange gate, through yellow gate, round short course mark to port, through yellow gate, through Hobsons Bay Gate to Finish.

No 5. Start Line, through yellow gate , round short course mark to port, through yellow gate, through Hobsons Bay Gate to Finish.

No 6. Start Line, through orange gate, round short course mark to port, through yellow gate, through Hobsons Bay Gate to Finish.

No 7. Start Line through yellow Gate, through orange gate, through yellow gate through Hobsons Bay Gate to Finish.

No 8. Start Line through orange gate, through yellow gate through Hobsons Bay Gate to Finish.

No 9. Start Line through orange gate, through yellow gate, through orange gate, through yellow gate through Hobsons Bay Gate to Finish.

## **9. DESCRIPTION OF MARKS**

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

Orange Gate inflatable buoys located approximately 0.75nm from the start.

**Hobsons Bay Gate blue inflatable buoys approximately 500m east of No 19.**

Refer Diagram for approximate positions

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

## **10. 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.

## **11. TIME LIMIT**

A boat shall finish within 1 hour 30 minutes after the start of the last division. No times shall be taken after Nautical Twilight, yachts finishing after Nautical Twilight will be scored DNF. This alters the RRS.

## **12. 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.

## **13. 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 [hbvc.asn.au](http://hbvc.asn.au)

## **14. SCORING SYSTEM FOR SERIES**

Refer to the Notice of Race.

## **15. PROTESTS**

- (a) 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.
- (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