



Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc.

25 Eastern Beach Rd, Geelong, 3220

Waszp Class 2021 Victorian State Championship

Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th March 2021

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

The Organising Authority is the Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc. (RGYC)

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Special Regulations Australian Sailing (AS) Part 2 for Off the Beach (OTB) boats.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located in the RGYC yard adjacent to the slipway.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the ONB not less than one hour before the race or races affected, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before that it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag mast which is located in the north-western corner of the Club property immediately in front of the Clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute is replaced with not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1

Date	Activity	Location	Time
Saturday 13 th March	Registration	RGYC OTB Clubroom	10:00 – 11:30
	Competitor Information Session	RGYC OTB Clubroom	11:30
	Championship Racing – scheduled races 2, maximum 3	Corio Bay	First warning 13:25
Sunday 14 th March	Championship Racing – scheduled races 3, maximum 3	Corio Bay	First Warning 11:57
	Prize Giving	RGYC Club House	Post Racing

- 5.2 This series will consist of 5 races
- 5.3 There is no provision for resails
- 5.4 No warning signal shall be made after 15:00 on the last scheduled day of racing
- 5.5 One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that racing does not become more than one race ahead of the schedule.

6. SIGNING ON AND SIGNING OFF

- 6.1 All skippers shall Sign On prior to going afloat to race for each session and Sign Off as soon as possible once ashore but prior to the Protest Time Limit.
- 6.2 Any skipper failing to Sign On or Sign Off will be scored SCP as per RRS 44.3(c) for the first race of the day without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.
- 6.3 Sign-On and Sign Off sheets will be located in, or in the vicinity of, the RGYC OTB Clubroom.
- 6.4 Competitors retiring from a race shall, wherever possible, inform a Race Committee Vessel when leaving the course, and by personally notifying the Beach Marshall as soon as possible after arriving ashore as well as Signing Off.

7. CLASS FLAGS

Class flag will be used to signify the warning signal for the Waszp start sequence.

8. RACE AREA

The racing will be held on the waters of Corio Bay in the vicinity of RGYC.

9. THE COURSE

The diagram in Attachment A show the course, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

10. MARKS

- 10.1 Refer to Attachment A.
- 10.2 In the event of a missing leeward gate mark, the remaining mark shall be left to port.

11. THE START

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel stationed on the starboard end of the line and at the port end as described in **Attachment A** for each course area.
- 11.2 The starting Procedure shall be as follows. This changes RRS 26.

Signal	Flag and Sound	Minutes before Start
Warning	Class Flag. One sound	3
Preparatory	P, U or Black One sound	2
One-Minute	Preparatory Removed One Long Sound	1
Start	Class Flag Removed One sound	0

- 11.3 The starting order shall be at the discretion of the Race Officer. Multiple Classes may be started together as signalled.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.
- 11.5 Flag AP displayed on the Committee vessel **at the finish** indicates that the Race Committee will start another race at the conclusion of the current race.

12. CHANGE OF COURSE

The course will not be changed after the start.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Vessel and the finishing mark.
- 13.2 Waszp finish will be a **GRAND PRIX** finish. After the first boat sails the course and finishes, a fluoro yellow flag will be displayed from the Race Committee Vessel. Boats not on a windward leg shall then proceed to the finish line to be scored Grand Prix style.
- 13.3 Boats not racing must keep clear of the start and finishing areas. [DP]

14. TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 60 minutes.
- 14.2 The Finishing Window is 20 minutes.
- 14.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2.

15. PROTESTS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the Club Reception Desk. Protests and requests for redress or reopening must be delivered to the Race Officer or his delegate within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board
- 15.3 Protests will be heard as soon as practical in approximately the order of receipt
- 15.4 Protest notices may be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the time and location of a hearing to which they may be parties or named as a witness

16. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 16.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two turns penalty is replaced by a one turn penalty.
- 16.2 Appendix T Arbitration shall apply.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series over both venues.
- 17.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.3 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 18.1 The owner or skipper shall ensure their boat complies with all class measurement rules & AS safety Regulations or they may be subject to protest. No measurement facilities will be available at the venue.

18.2 **Change of Sail Number:** Application for a change of sail number may only be made on the appropriate form, which can be obtained from the Regatta Office. Competitors failing to complete the form and lodge it with the Regatta Office before the race session will be scored DNC for those race(s) in the session.

19. SUPPORT BOATS

Team managers, coaches and other support personnel shall keep clear of and shall not cause interference to competitors who are racing except when asked to assist (Refer to safety plan) by the Race Committee. They shall keep at least 50 metres outside the course area including the start line while any competitor is racing. Competitors associated with a team manager, coach, or support personnel in breach of this rule may be liable to protest by the race committee.

20. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded and presented by the relevant class associations. These will be presented following the conclusion of racing.

21. ENTRY DISCLAIMER

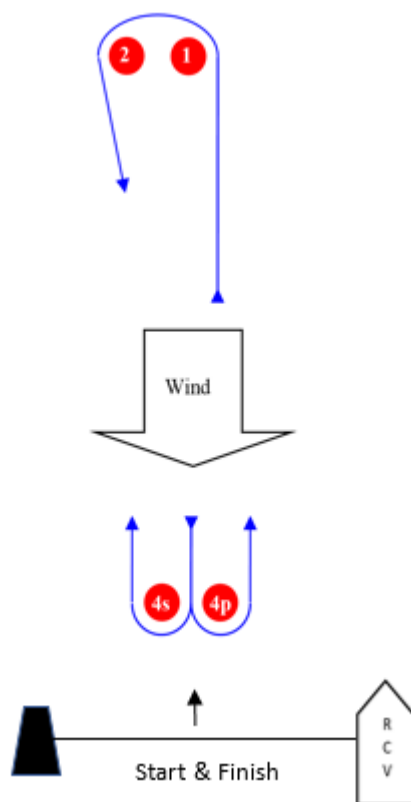
It is the competitor's decision to enter the Event or to start and continue in any race. **See RRS Rule 3 Decision to Race.** Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Event is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry in the Event competitors shall indemnify the Organising Authority, their officers, members, servants and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Event.

The Organising Authority, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Event or howsoever arising in connection with the Event.

23. RESULTS

Results will be posted on the ONB and RGYC website.

Appendix A: Race Course



If one of the gate marks (4S or 4P) is missing, boats shall leave the remaining mark to PORT

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
Opti, Cadets and Mixed Fleets	Start – 1 - 2 – Finish
I14 and Waszps Fleets	Start - 1 – 2 - 4s/4p – 1 - 2 - Finish

Mark	Description
Start/Finish Mark	Black Truncated Cone
Mark 1	Orange Truncated Cone
Marks 4S & 4P	Orange Truncated Cone
Marks 2	Yellow Truncated Cone