



*Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc.
25 Eastern Beach Rd, Geelong, Vic, 3220*

*2023 International Cadet Victorian Championship
2023 International 9er Victorian Championship
2023 International Moth Victorian Championship
Saturday 11th to Monday 13th March 2023*

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as described in the Notice of Race.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with coaches and support vessels on VHF radio channel 15.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Off The Beach (OTB) flagpole in the vicinity of the boat ramp.
- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.




6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1. Schedule

Date	Event	Number of races	First Warning Signal
11th Mar 2023	Championship Racing - Session 1 Int. Cadets & Int. 9ers Int. Moths	2 4	12:55
12th Mar 2023	Championship Racing - Session 2 Int. Cadets & Int. 9ers Int. Moths	2 Reserve	10:25
12th Mar 2023	Championship Racing - Session 3 Int. Cadets & Int. 9ers Int. Moths	2 4	13:55
13th Mar 2023	Championship Racing - Session 4 Int. Cadets & Int. 9ers Int. Moths	2 Reserve	10:25

6.2. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before the warning signal.

7. CLASS FLAGS

Class	Description
Int. Cadet	Flag "D". 
Int. 9er	Flag "E". 
Int. Moth	Flag "F". 

8. COURSES

- 8.1. Attachment "A" show the courses.
- 8.2. Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

9. MARKS

- 9.1. Marks 1 and 5 are yellow cones.
- 9.2. Mark 1a is a yellow pencil buoy. If Mark 1a is not laid, it is to be ignored.
- 9.3. Marks 2, 3 and 4 are an orange cylinders.
- 9.4. Mark 6 is a red and white cone.
- 9.5. The starting mark is an orange cone.
- 9.6. The finishing mark is a black cone.

10. THE START

- 10.1. The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.2. [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.3. A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee vessel and the finish mark.

11.2. For the Int. Moth class; Grand Prix Finishing.

When the leading boat completes the course and finishes, the Race Committee vessel will immediately display the **Naval Numeral "0"** flag with one sound. This indicates the Finishing Time Window is now open. From this time, all boats shall cross the finishing line. All boats that cross the finishing line within 20 minutes after the leading boat has finished, shall be deemed to be finished irrespective of number of laps they have completed. Their position in the race will be noted from their finishing order and number of completed laps, with those having the most laps being recorded ahead of those with less completed laps. Boats that have completed 1 lap shall be ranked behind boats that have completed 2 laps. Boats that have completed 2 laps shall be ranked behind boats that have completed 3 laps. If a boat after the Finishing Time Window has opened sails one more lap, this will not count as a completed lap in the scoring.

This changes RRS 28.1 and A4.

Boats failing to cross the finish line within the Finishing Time Window, will be scored after those finishing as described in the above mentioned finishing rule. They will be scored according to their position at the previous passing of the bottom mark. If they have not been able to complete one lap, they will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

12. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 12.1. The Race Time Limits (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Windows are shown in the table below.

Class.	Target time.	Time limit.	Finishing window.
Int. Cadet	45 minutes	70 minutes	20 minutes
Int. 9ers	30 minutes	45 minutes	15 minutes
Int. Moth	30 minutes	45 minutes	20 minutes

- 12.2. **For Int. 9ers and Int. Cadets** 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 Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 12.3. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13. HEARING REQUESTS

- 13.1. For each class the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in that class finishes the last race of the session. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 13.2. For the Int. Cadet class ;
Boats intending to protest shall inform the Race Committee vessel promptly after finishing, before returning to shore.
- 13.3. Hearing request forms are available from the marked box located in the shipping container adjacent to the OTB boat ramp. Completed forms are to be delivered to the Shore Marshall within the appropriate time limit.
- 13.4. Notices will be posted as soon as practicable to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

14. SCORING

- 14.1. Eight (8) races are scheduled of which three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2. (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boats series score is the total of her race scores.
(b) When five or more races have been completed, a boats series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1. A Sign-on and Sign-off sheet will be located in the shipping container adjacent to the OTB boat ramp. The skipper (or crew) of each boat shall sign-on by signing this sheet prior to leaving the shore, and sign-off by signing this sheet as soon as possible upon returning to shore at the completion of the racing session, but no later than the protest time limit.
 - (a) Failure to "Sign On" prior to racing will result in a 5 point penalty for the first race of that racing session.
 - (b) Failure to "Sign Off" within the required time will result in a 5 point penalty for the last race of that racing session.
 - (c) The scoring abbreviation SCP (scoring penalty) will be used. The penalty will be applied without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1
- 15.2. [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. Promptly after returning to shore, the boat shall complete a retirement declaration form, which is available from the marked box located in the shipping container adjacent to the OTB boat ramp. Completed forms are to be delivered to the Shore Marshall.

16. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 16.1. [DP] Substitution of crew is not allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. The nominated Helm shall not be substituted. These forms will be available from the marked box in the shipping container adjacent to the OTB boat ramp. Completed forms are to be delivered to the Shore Marshall.
- 16.2. [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race. These forms will be available from the marked box in the shipping container adjacent to the OTB boat ramp. Completed forms are to be delivered to the Shore Marshall.

17. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 17.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.
- 17.2. [DP]When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

18. [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

- 18.1. Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 18.2. All support and coach boats shall position themselves at least 100 metres below the start line and beyond the lay-lines of the racecourse whilst racing is in progress, and shall move in such a fashion as to ensure their wake does not affect the boats racing.

19. TRASH DISPOSAL

- 19.1. Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

20. BERTHING

- 20.1. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

21. PRIZES

- 21.1. Prizes will be given for.

Cadets

- Overall Championship 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.
- Handicap Championship 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.
- - Boats that finish in the top 3 places in the overall Championship shall be ineligible for handicap aggregate prizes.
- Mermaid Trophy awarded to the highest placed female skipper.
- The Garner Family Trophy awarded to the highest placed male skipper.
- Age Awards awarded to the highest placed helms for skippers under 14, 15, and 16 at 31st December 2023
- Encouragement Award, awarded to the top first year helm who has completed every race.
- President's Award, awarded to the skipper and crew who achieve the best placing overall in the National Championship and the State Championship.

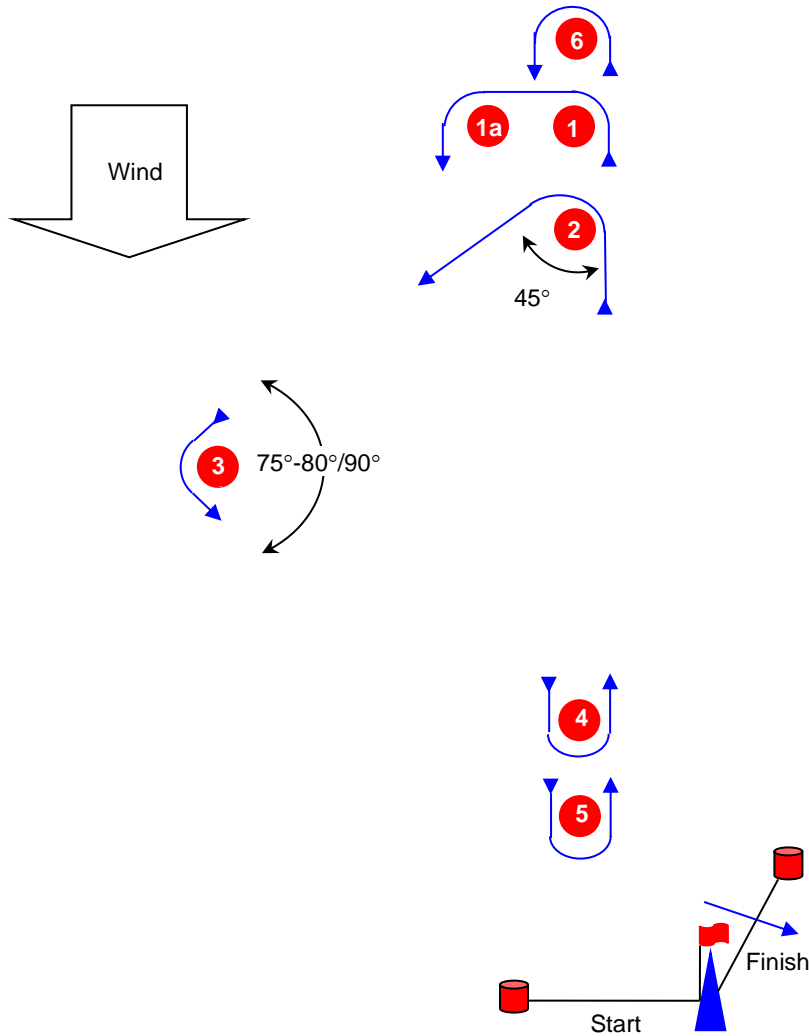
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- Prizes will be given to boats finishing 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall in each class.
- Other trophies and or prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the relevant Class Association.

Moths

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ATTACHMENT A - COURSE DIAGRAM



Course: Moths

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
NP 5	Start – 6 – 5 – 6 – 5 - Finish
NP 6	Start – 6 – 5 – 6 – 5 – 6 – 5 - Finish

Course: Cadets

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
NP 1	Start – 2 – 3 – 4 – 2 – 5 - Finish
NP 2	Start – 2 – 4 – 2 – 5 - Finish

Course: 9ers

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
NP 3	Start – 1 – 1a – 5 – 1 – 1a – 5 - Finish
NP 4	Start – 1 – 1a – 5 – 1 – 1a – 5 - 1 – 1a – 5 - Finish