



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

Teams Racing

Saturday 20th April 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

1 RULES

- 1.1** The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** RRS Rule 20 is changed so that the following arm signals are required in addition to the hails:
 - a) for room to tack, repeatedly and clearly pointing to windward; and
 - b) for 'You tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.

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.
- 2.2** On water, race officers or umpires may communicate a change of instructions by telling the team captains. No formal signals will be made.

3 BOATS

- 3.1** Boats will be provided and allocated by the Organising Authority.

4 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 4.1 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with coaches and support vessels on VHF radio channel 69.
- 4.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Club website and on the official notice board located adjacent to the slipway.

5 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 5.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

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

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 Schedule

Briefing Brief description of rules, logistics and team name allocations	12:00 RGYC Mezzanine
Teams Racing First Warning	12:55

7.2 Six Team Racing Schedule

POOL A	A vs B	A vs C	B vs C
POOL B	D vs E	D vs F	E vs F
SEMI FINALS	1 st Pool A vs 2 nd Pool B	1 st Pool B vs 2 nd Pool A	
FINALS	Winner of each semi final		

If less than six teams enter, refer to Appendix B for schedule

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

8 FORMAT OF RACING

- 8.1 The format of racing will be round robins of 3 boats v 3 boats. The top ranked teams in each pool will then race in a series of “Knock out” finals.
- 8.2 Following a breakdown, 2 boats v 2 boats format may be used until repairs are completed. Teams may choose which competitors don’t sail.
- 8.3 Race officials shall freely help boats to determine what race is being run or run next, the course and the marks. This is permitted under rule 41 (c).

9 CLASS FLAGS

9.1 The class flag will be signal flag T.

10 RACING AREA

10.1 Racing will be conducted North of Wangim Walk.

11 COURSE

11.1 Attachment "A" shows the course.

11.2 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

12 MARKS

12.1 Marks 1 to 5 are 20 litre white containers.

12.2 The start and finish mark is a yellow pencil buoy.

13 THE START

13.1 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.

13.2 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 3 minutes before the starting signal.

13.3 In rule 29.1 "four minutes" is replaced by "two minutes" A boat that does not start within 2 minutes after her starting signal will be 6 points without a hearing.

13.4 No Warning signal will be made after 17:00

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee vessel and the course side of the finish mark.

15 TARGET TIMES

15.1 The Race target times are between 8 to 10 minutes.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 All protests and or requests for redress will be made and adjudicated on water.

16.2 Teams intending to seek redress shall inform the **umpire** promptly after finishing their race.

16.3 The boat requesting redress for an incident in the racing area shall display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity after the incident. She shall display the red flag until it is acknowledged by the umpire. In the event that red flags are not supplied by the Organising Authority, the boat crew shall wave their arm and yell "Protest"

until it is acknowledged by the umpire.

17 PENALTIES

- 17.1 After any contact between boats, all boats involved shall report that contact to the Finish RCV at the first reasonable opportunity after finishing or retiring. A breach of this SI will result in that boat having 2 points added to her score. This changes rules 63.1 and D3.1 (a).
- 17.2 Add to rule D1.3 (a). "If the boat caused injury or damage that warrants repair or, despite taking a penalty, gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to retire."
- 17.3 A boat that **loses any equipment** shall have **2 points added to her score**.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 Each team will score 1 point for a win.
- 18.2 If racing 2 v 2, 5 points are added to each team's score for that race.
- 18.3 In the event of a tied score for a race, the team that **does not** have first place wins.
- 18.4 In the event of a tie for ranking position, the team with the lowest aggregate score will be ranked higher.
- 18.5 In the event that not all races can be started by the last warning signal time, the winner will be the team with the most wins at the end of racing.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 A Sign-on and Sign-off sheet will be located with race admin on Wangim Walk.

20 TRASH DISPOSAL

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

21 PRIZES

- 21.1 Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

ANNEXURE A - RULES FOR BOAT HANDLING [DP]

1 General

- 1.1** While all reasonable steps are taken to equalise boats, variations will not be grounds for redress (amends Rule 62).
- 1.2** Immediately after changeover competitors shall inspect their boat and report any breakdowns to the race committee.
- 1.3** All teams shall share the work of positioning, rigging, de-rigging, cleaning, securing and storing the boats and shall comply with any related Race Committee request.
- 1.4** Before starting and after finishing or retiring, boats shall sail to minimise any delay to the race schedule, handing over their boat as empty of water as practical and in racing trim and without interfering with any race in progress.

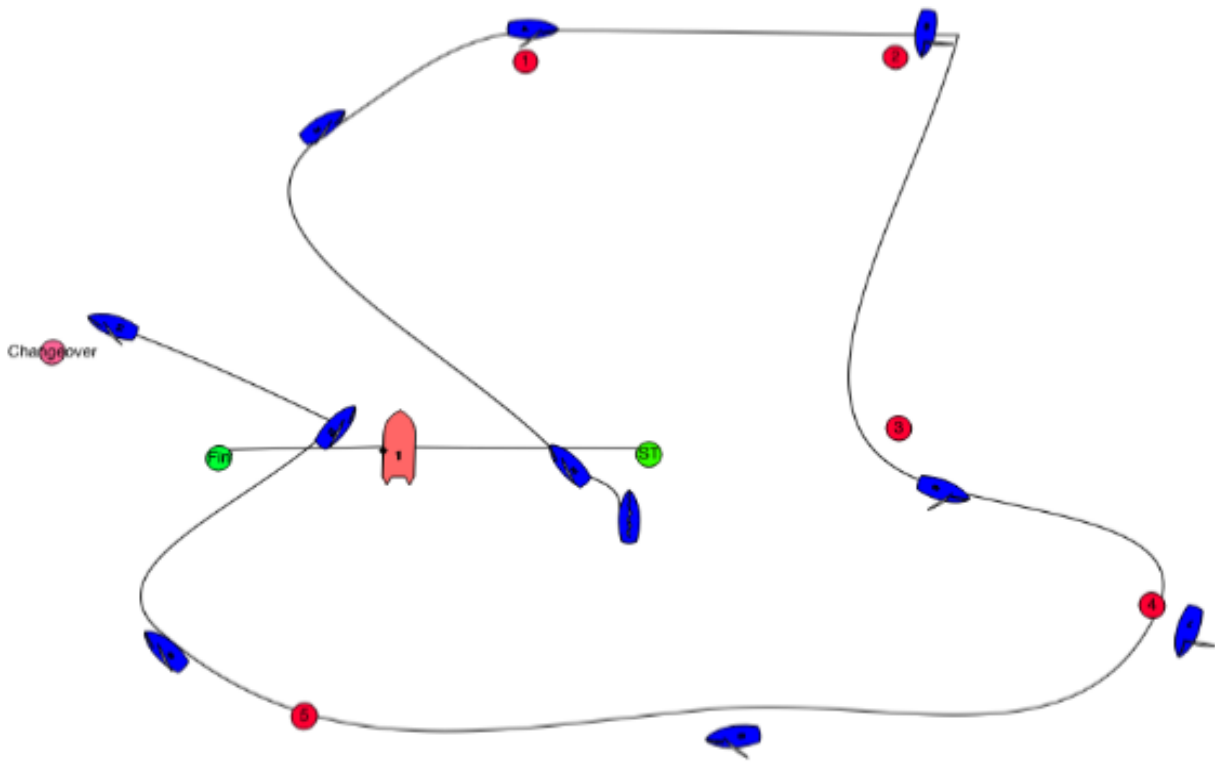
2 Prohibited Items and Actions

- 2.1** THE FOLLOWING ARE PROHIBITED:
 - 2.1.1** The adjustment or use of equipment or fittings for a purpose other than that intended.
 - 2.1.2** Any additions or alterations of equipment supplied, other than as allowed in 2.2

3 PERMITTED ITEMS AND ACTIONS

- 3.1** COMPETITORS SHALL NOT MODIFY THE BOATS IN ANY WAY EXCEPT THAT:
 - 3.1.1** Wind indicators, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat; and
 - 3.1.2** Additional bailers and flags may be used.
 - 3.1.3** Provided rules 41 and D1.1 (g) are not breached, electronic devices are permitted.

APPENDIX A



APPENDIX B

2 Teams

A v B A v B A v B A v B A v B A v B A v B A v B

No final.

3 Teams

A v B A v C B v C A v B A v C B v C

Top 2 ranked teams race off in 1 final.

4 Teams

A v B C v D A v C B v D A v D B v C

Semi Final 1 - 1st and 2nd ranked teams race off - Winner through to final

Semi Final 2 - 3rd and 4th ranked teams race off - Winner through to preliminary final

Preliminary Final – Loser Semi Final 1 v Winner Semi Final 2

Final. - Winner of Preliminary final v Winner Semi Final 1

5 Teams

A v B C v D A v E B v D A v C

B v E D v E C v E A v D B v C

Top 2 ranked teams race off in 1 final.

6 Teams

Pool A - A v B A v C B v C

Pool B - D v E D v F E v F

Semi Finals - Winner Pool A v 2nd of Pool B, Winner of Pool B v 2nd of Pool A

Final – Winners of each semi Final