

ORCV Winter Series 2019

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS No.8

The Organising Committee has chosen to make several changes to the Sailing Instructions, ahead of Race 5 The Overnight Navigators Challenge, in accordance with **Clause 2 - Changes to Sailing Instructions**.

8.1(a) Virtual Marks - For the avoidance of potential issues relating to a physical mark structure not being located in the vicinity of the specified Mark at the time of the event, all boats will sail to the location nominated in **Appendix E – Marks** for the specified mark, and round that position, as a “Virtual Mark”. Care should be taken to ensure that the mark in question is not in the general vicinity of the location, as stated in the introduction of Appendix E.

8.1(b) Declaration of Virtual Marks – All boats electing to round a **Virtual Mark** shall declare at the next Position Schedule, any marks that they have rounded since the previous Position Schedule, which marks they deem to be virtual. Declarations of Virtual Marks shall be open to protest, should evidence be produced to prove the existence of the physical mark structure for the mark in question, at the time of event, and if upheld, the boat(s) in question may have the leg completed prior to rounding the “Virtual Mark” and the leg completed immediately after rounding the “Virtual Mark”, disqualified from their official race log, as required by Clauses J3.5 and J3.6 of the Sailing Instructions.

8.2 Changes to Position Schedules – In addition to providing its position, all Yachts are to also provide the **LEG NUMBER** of all Legs completed since the previous Position Schedule, in lieu of the “marks rounded”. This changes **Clause A6.3** in the Sailing Instructions.

8.3 Additional Marks – The additional Fixed Marks have been added to courses set out in the Sailing Instructions, as follows. This Changes **Appendix E – Marks**:

Mark	Name	Location	Character	Description
RYCVO	RYCV Mark 'O' (Club Start Mark)	S37° 51.549' E144° 54.459	Unlit	Can, Orange
WC19A	Williamstown Channel 19A	S37° 51.500' E144° 55.110	G BN FL G 5S	Pile, Starboard Lateral

8.4(a) RYCV Start Location For Overnight Navigator’s Challenge – The RYCV Start shall be as follows:

- RYCV: Between Start Box and RYCVO, leaving RYCVO to Port.

This Changes Clause C4.1 and Appendix J in the Sailing Instructions.

8.4(b) Compulsory Legs for RYCV Start – The following legs are required to be sailed immediately after starting from the RYCV Start:

Leg	From	To	Round	Dist (nm)	Comments
60A	RYCV Mark 'O'	WC19A	Port	0.53nm	RYCV: Between Start Box and RYCVO, leaving RYCVO to Port
60B	WC19A	PM77	Starboard	0.65nm	
59A	PM77	R3	Either	2.1nm	

This Changes **Clause J1 – Compulsory Legs** in the Sailing Instructions.

8.5 Depth In vicinity of Channel Mark WS20 – All Skippers should be familiar with Chart Depths in the vicinity of the Finish Line for the Overnight Navigators’ Challenge, and ensure that due care is taken when finishing.



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- 8.6 Changes to Finishing Procedure** – The Sailing Instructions shall be amended to insert the following clause to **Appendix D5 – Overnight Navigators' Challenge**:

***"D5.6** All boats Shall take its own time when finishing, accurate to one second. Each team shall then send an SMS to the Race Director's phone, advising their boat name, finish time, and the name of any boat immediately ahead or behind their position, within 30 minutes of finishing. Penalties in accordance with Clause J3.3 will apply for a maximum period of 60 minutes, after which the boat will be scored DNF."*

- 8.7 Changes to Submission of Navigator's Log** – Completed Navigator's Logs may be submitted to the Race Director via SMS in the form of a photograph, if not submitted in person. This changes **Clause J3.5** of the Sailing Instructions.

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