

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2021 WINTER SERIES RACE 1



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ORCV BAY RACE

Version 1.00

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THE 2021 ORCV WINTER SERIES RACE 1 WILL BE CONDUCTED ON THE WATERS OF PORT PHILLIP. THE RACE IS ORGANISED AND CONDUCTED BY THE OCEAN RACING CLUB OF VICTORIA WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF THE ROYAL BRIGHTON YACHT CLUB. A FLARE SHOOT WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE RACE AND SEPARATE INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE ISSUED FOR THIS.

1. RULES

1.1. The race shall be governed by the current versions of:

- the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing (WS),
- the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS),
- the Special Regulations of the Ocean Racing Club of Victoria (ORCV),
- where applicable, the rules and regulations of the Australian Measurement System (AMS) and the IRC Rule Parts A, B and C; and the applicable rules of ORC
- the Notice of Race,

except as amended by these Sailing Instructions.

1.2. All times in these Sailing Instructions are Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST) unless otherwise stated.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the ORCV website www.orcv.org.au.

2.2. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions may be posted on the ORCV website (www.orcv.org.au) and will be advised to competitors on VHF Channel 82 at 1000 on Saturday, 19 June 2021.

2.3. Code Flag Lima (L) will be displayed on the Start Boat.

3. CLASS FLAG

The Class Flag for all categories and divisions will be the Code Flag Romeo (R).

4. SIGN ON

4.1. All yachts are required to sign on to indicate their intention to race and the number of persons on board. Yachts which fail to complete their sign on shall be scored DNC.

4.2. At approximately 0730 an SMS message will be sent to the mobile number registered for each yacht, asking if they intend to race. Yachts intending to race should follow the link in the SMS and respond to the questions presented to indicate whether they will be racing or not and, if so, how many persons will be on board. All responses should have been sent by 0930

4.3. Commencing at 1000 a radio sign on schedule will be conducted by *Ocean Racing* on VHF Channel 82 for all yachts that have not signed on using SMS messages. This schedule will conclude no later than 1015. All yachts should monitor this schedule in case their SMS sign on response has not been received.

4.4. Yachts which did not complete an SMS sign on will be called in alphabetical order to confirm that they are starters in the race. Yachts should respond: *{Yacht Name} is a starter, {xx} persons on board, Over.*

4.5. Yachts that do not respond on the first call must wait until they are called again at the end of the schedule.

4.6. *In the event of late crew additions, crew names and phone numbers must be added to the boat's crew list using the Top Yacht entry page. Likewise any deletions must be removed using the Top Yacht entry page.*

5. THE START

5.1. Start time will be 1030 on Saturday, 19 June 2021 always allowing the Race Director discretion to postpone to another time.

- 5.2. The Starting Line will be an imaginary line between RBYC6 and a Start Boat displaying the ORCV Burgee located at a distance of approximately 150 metres.
- 5.3. The race will be started in accordance with RRS 26. Times shall be taken from the flag signals. Failure of sound signals shall be disregarded.
- 5.4. Individual recalls shall be signalled as per RRS 29.1. Premature starters may be identified on VHF Channel 82.
- 5.5. General recalls shall be signalled as per RRS 29.2. A broadcast may be made by radio on VHF Channel 82.
- 5.6. A crowding buoy may be laid in the vicinity of the Start Boat. After the preparatory signal and before correctly starting:
 - Any yacht touching the crowding buoy or passing from the pre-start side of the starting line to the course side between the crowding buoy and the Start Boat shall return to the pre-start side of the line by passing either the Pin Mark or the Start Boat on the course side.
 - Any yacht passing from the course side to the pre-start side of the starting line between the crowding buoy and the Start Boat may be disqualified.

6. THE COURSES

- 6.1. Course and marks are as described in *Appendix A Courses* and *Appendix B Marks*. In the event that any physical mark is missing, yachts shall round a virtual mark at the location specified in Appendix B.
- 6.2. A windward gate may be included in the course between the Start Line and Mark 1 if conditions warrant.
- 6.3. *The course to be sailed and, if applicable, the location of the windward gate shall be announced at the commencement of the 1000 Radio Sign On schedule on VHF Channel 82.*
- 6.4. The course number shall also be indicated by displaying the applicable Numeral Pennant on the Start Boat no later than the Warning Signal.

7. THE FINISH AND SHORTEN COURSE

- 7.1. Always allowing the Race Director discretion to shorten course, the Finish Line will be an imaginary line between the black vertical line on the western side of the RBYC Race Control Tower on the Brighton breakwater and a yellow special mark buoy (RBYC6) approximately 150 metres WNW of the tower.
- 7.2. In the event that the Race Director decides to shorten course, an announcement shall be made by VHF Radio on Channel 82 including identification of the new Finish Mark.
- 7.3. The new Finish Line shall be between the specified Mark of the Course and a Finish Boat displaying the ORCV Burgee and Code Flag S located near the specified mark.

8. TIME LIMIT & DECLARATIONS

- 8.1. Time Limit for the first yacht to finish shall be 1600. If the first yacht finishes within the time limit, all other yachts must finish by 1700. Any yacht finishing after this time shall be scored DNF (amends RRS 35).
- 8.2. Written declarations are not required. A yacht correctly passing through the Finish Line is deemed to have made a declaration on the part of her skipper that to the best of their knowledge no rules have been breached during the race.

If a skipper is uncertain whether any rule has been breached, they should report the circumstances in writing to the Race Director within one hour of finishing, this report should be by SMS to the Race Directors phone 0418 396 605 or via email to race.director@orcv.org.au

9. INTERFERENCE WITH SHIPPING

- 9.1. The courses for this race cross the Shipping Channel.
- 9.2. Any yacht interfering with Commercial shipping may be disqualified by the Race Director following consideration by the Race Director of any complaint received by the ORCV from the Port Authority.

10. PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 10.1. Protests or requests for redress are to be lodged with an official of the ORCV or the ORCV office no later than 1200 on Monday, 21 June 2021.
- 10.2. Protests or requests for redress will be heard at a time and place to be advised.
- 10.3. All requests for redress involving the official time sheet must be submitted as soon as possible after the posting of the results but no later than 1200 on Monday, 21 June 2021.
- 10.4. The protest committee shall not be entitled to abandon the race as a consideration for redress (amends RRS 64.3).
- 10.5. All protests will be heard and penalties (if any) applied before determination of trophy recipients.

11. CORRECTION OF RESULTS

- 11.1. There shall be no limit for correction of any error in published results. This amends Rule 90.3

12. YACHTS RETIRING

Yachts retiring shall inform the Race Director on VHF Channel 82.

13. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1. The Safety Category and regulations are as set out in the Notice of Race.
- 13.2. The crew of yachts sailed Double Handed must wear lifejackets at all times when on deck.
- 13.3. A yacht or its equipment may be inspected before or after the race for compliance with the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.
- 13.4. The Race Director may, at their absolute discretion, disqualify a yacht from participating or continuing to participate in the race if they believe that it is unsafe for that yacht to commence or continue to race.

14. UNSUITABLE CONDITIONS

- 14.1. After commencement of the race, the race can be terminated at the Race Directors discretion.
- 14.2. The Race Director may decide the race is to be abandoned, rescheduled to another time or shortened.
- 14.3. Prorated positions may be used to determine a result for the race and/or for any series.
- 14.4. Termination of the race will be advised by radio on VHF Channel 82.

15. RACE COMMUNICATIONS

- 15.1. A yacht shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all yachts. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 15.2. Yachts should monitor VHF Channel 82 as well as VHF Channel 16 while racing.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1. All those taking part in this race do so at their own risk and responsibility.
- 16.2. Acceptance of a yacht as an entrant in the race is not to be taken as express or implied acceptance on the part of the ORCV and/or any of its Flag Officers, Committee Members, Equipment Auditors, Employees, Volunteers or any other members, of the fitness of any yacht or any equipment on such yacht to safely compete in the race, and/or deal with any and all eventualities of the contemplated passage. It is the responsibility of each skipper of each competing yacht to decide whether his/her yacht is fit and suitably crewed for the intended purpose, and neither the ORCV nor any club, person or company connected with the organisation of the race is responsible for the seaworthiness of any yacht whose entry is accepted.
- 16.3. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 3 "Decision to Race" of the RRS which states:

The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

17. APPENDICES

The attached Appendices A and B form part of these Sailing Instructions.

Appendix A COURSES

THIS APPENDIX DESCRIBES THE COURSES TO BE SAILED.

Course 1 (~28/20nm)		
Mark	Rounding/Passing	Notes
Start	Northerly	RBYC
RBYC5	Port	
SYC2	Port	
SYC5	Port	
MMYC4	Starboard	
MMYC1	Starboard	
SYC5	Port	
SG	Starboard	Delete to Shorten
SYC5	Port	Delete to Shorten
SYC2	Starboard	
RBYC1	Starboard	
Finish		RBYC Tower

Course 2 (~27/19nm)		
Mark	Rounding/Passing	Notes
Start	Southerly	RBYC
SYC2	Port	
SYC5	Port	
MMYC4	Starboard	
MMYC1	Starboard	
SYC5	Port	
SG	Starboard	Delete to Shorten
SYC5	Port	Delete to Shorten
SYC2	Starboard	
RBYC1	Starboard	
Finish		RBYC Tower

Course 3 (~18/14nm)		
Mark	Rounding/Passing	Notes
Start	Northerly	RBYC
RBYC5	Port	
RBYC1	Port	
SYC3	Starboard	
SYC5	Starboard	
SG	Starboard	Delete to Shorten
T14	Starboard	
SYC2	Port	
RBYC2	Starboard	
Finish		RBYC Tower

Course 4 (~17/13nm)		
Mark	Rounding/Passing	Notes
Start	Southerly	RBYC
RBYC1	Port	
SYC3	Starboard	
SYC5	Starboard	
SG	Starboard	Delete to Shorten
T14	Starboard	
SYC2	Port	
RBYC2	Starboard	
Finish		RBYC Tower

Course 5 – 9NM Approx.		
Mark	Rounding/Passing	Notes
Start	Northerly	RBYC
RBYC 5	Port	
R 2	Port	
SYC 2	Port	
SYC 3	Port	
RBYC 1	Starboard	
Finish		RBYC Tower

Course 6 – 10NM Approx.		
Mark	Rounding/Passing	Notes
Start	Southerly	RBYC
RBYC 1	Starboard	
RMYS B	Port	
RBYC 3	Port	
SYC 2	Port	
Finish		RBYC Tower

Course 7 – 8NM Approx.		
Mark	Rounding/Passing	Notes
Start	Southerly	RBYC
RBYC 1	Starboard	
RMYS B	Port	
RBYC 3	Port	
RBYC 2	Port	
Finish		RBYC Tower

Course 8 – 12NM Approx.		
Mark	Rounding/Passing	Notes
Start	Southerly	RBYC
RBYC 1	Starboard	
RBYC 4	Port	
SYC 2	Port	
RBYC 2	Starboard	
SYC 3	Port	
Finish		RBYC Tower

Appendix B Marks

THESE MARK DESCRIPTIONS AND POSITIONS SHOULD NOT BE USED UNCRITICALLY. THEY HAVE BEEN ASSEMBLED FROM THE BEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE BUT MAY ONLY BE APPROXIMATE AND MAY CONTAIN ERRORS. SKIPPERS AND NAVIGATORS SHOULD VERIFY MARK INFORMATION USING THEIR OWN RESOURCES.

THIS APPENDIX DESCRIBES THE MARKS USED IN THE COURSES DESCRIBED IN APPENDIX A COURSES.

Mark	Name	Location	Character	Description
R2	Recreational Mark 2	S37° 54.536' E144° 56.338'	Fl(3) Y 10s	Conical, Special
SG	Spoil Ground	S37° 59.067' E144° 53.000'	Fl Y 5s	Pillar Special
RBYC1	RBYC Club Mark 1	S37° 55.632' E144° 58.241'	Fl(4) Y 12s	Conical, Yachting
RBYC2	RBYC Club Mark 2	S37° 55.401' E144° 57.371'	Fl(4) Y 12s	Conical, Yachting
RBYC3	RBYC Club Mark 3	S37° 54.461' E144° 57.161'	Fl(4) Y 12s	Conical, Yachting
RBYC4	RBYC Club Mark 4	S37° 53.611' E144° 57.082'	Fl(4) Y 12s	Conical, Yachting
RBYC5	RBYC Club Mark 5	S37° 53.812' E144° 58.462'	Fl(4) Y 12s	Conical, Yachting
RBYC6	RBYC Club Mark 6	S37° 54.320' E144° 58.530'	Fl(4) Y 12s	Conical, Yachting
RMYSB	RMYS Club Mark B	S37° 53.183' E144° 57.193'	Fl(4) Y 10s	Pillar, Yachting
SYC2	SYC Club Mark 2	S37° 56.602' E144° 57.971'	Fl(4) Y 10s	Pillar, Yachting
SYC3	SYC Club Mark 3	S37° 56.242' E144° 59.252'	Fl(4) Y 10s	Pillar, Yachting
SYC5	SYC Club Mark 5	S37° 58.812' E144° 58.382'	Fl(4) Y 10s	Pillar, Yachting
MMYC1	MMYC Club Mark 1	S38° 01.592' E145° 03.203'	Fl Y 5s	Conical, Yachting
MMYC4	MMYC Club Mark 4	S38° 00.778' E145° 03.604'	Fl Y 5s	Conical, Yachting
T14	Clearway Mark T14	S37° 56.685' E144° 55.112'	VQ(4) Y 4s	Pile, Special