

SANDRINGHAM YACHT CLUB



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
21 - 22 October 2023

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 A National Jury has been appointed.
- 1.3 [SP] Denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee or technical committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.
- 1.4 [NP] Denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board which will be available on the regatta page at <https://syc.com.au/sail-sandy/> and on the Notice Board outside the regatta office.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board 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 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag mast which is located at the Sandringham Yacht Club Ken King Centre.
- 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. Competitor information sessions will be held at 1000 on Saturday 21 October and 0845 on Sunday 22 October outside the Regatta Office.
- 5.2. Registration will take place in the Regatta Office on 21 October from 0800 until 1000
- 5.3. The series will consist of a maximum of 8 races which are scheduled as follows:

Races	Day and Date	Time of First Warning Signal
Race 1	Saturday 21 October	Bravo Course – 1200 Alpha Course – 1215 Charlie Course – 1230
Race 2-4		As soon as practical after the previous race
Race 5	Sunday 22 October	Bravo Course – 1000 Alpha Course – 1015 Charlie Course – 1030
Race 6-8		As soon as practical after the previous race

- 5.4. 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 first warning signal is made.
- 5.5. Note there are no provisions for resails.
- 5.6. No warning signal will be made after 1500 on the last scheduled day of racing.

6. [NP] SIGNING ON AND SIGNING OFF

- 6.1. All skippers shall sign on prior to going afloat to race for each session.
- 6.2. Failure to sign on before the Warning Signal of the first race of that division will result in an Event Scoring Penalty (ESP) with the boat's race score being increased by 5 points, but not worse than the score for DSQ.
- 6.3. Failure to sign off within 60 minutes of the finish of the last boat of that division in the last race of the session will result in an Event Scoring Penalty (ESP) with the boat's race score being increased by 5 points, but not worse than the score for DSQ.
- 6.4. The sign on and sign off process will be done electronically. SYC will provide URLs for competitors to use.
- 6.5. Should the electronic sign on and sign off process not be available, sign on and sign off sheets will be located in, or in the vicinity of, the Regatta Office.

- 6.6. **[DP]** 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.
- 6.7. When made available for each session, the web link to the Sail Sandy Electronic Sign on / Sign off web page will be available for OTB boats at <https://topyacht.com.au/tyow/571>. The link for the J24's, J70's and VX Ones' is available at <http://tymob.net.au/mycrew.php?evid=1701>. Please note electronic sign on/sign off will only be active at a time decided by the race committee for each session.

7. CLASS FLAGS

Classes will be divided into divisions by approximate YV Yardstick groupings. The divisions, course allocations and class flags will be posted on the Official Notice Board prior to the Information Session on Saturday 21 October.

8. RACE AREA

The racing will be held on the waters of Port Phillip in the vicinity of Sandringham Yacht Club.

9. THE COURSE

- 9.1. The diagrams in **Attachment "A"** show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2. Courses will be displayed on the Race Committee vessel by way of the course board.

10. MARKS

- 10.1. Refer to **Attachment "A"** for each course area.
- 10.2. In the event of a missing leeward gate mark, the remaining mark shall be left to port.

11. THE START

- 11.1. RRS 26 is changed so that races shall be started as follows:

Signal	Flag	Sound	Minutes before starting signal
Warning	Class/Division flag displayed	1 sound	3
Preparatory	P, U or Black flag displayed	1 sound	2
One-minute	Preparatory flag removed	1 long sound	1
Starting	class/division flag removed	1 sound	0

- 11.2. A boat starting later than three (3) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 11.3. 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 the port end as described in **Attachment "A"** for each course area.
- 11.4. The starting order shall be at the discretion of the Race Officer. Multiple Divisions may be started together as signalled.
- 11.5. **[DP]** Boats not racing must keep clear of the starting area.

12. CHANGE OF COURSE

The course may be changed at any time at the discretion of the Race Officer. The change of course mark will be the same colour of the mark that is being replaced but with a black band.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat and the finishing mark as described in **Attachment "A"**.

14. [NP] TIME LIMIT

Boats that fail to finish within ten (10) minutes of the first boat of their Division to sail the course, and finish, will have their approximate placing at that time recorded for scoring purposes. Any boats so recorded are excluded from any request for redress under this Sailing Instruction. Approximate finish times will be recorded for such boats. The result may be included to calculate an overall result.

15. PROTESTS

- 15.1. Protest forms will be available from the Regatta Office and are to be lodged within one hour after the time of the last boat's finish for their division's racing sessions.
- 15.2. Protests will be heard as soon as practical in approximately the order of receipt.
- 15.3. Protest notices may be posted after 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. As provided in Appendix P1, the protest committee/Jury may without a hearing, penalise a boat that has broken RRS 42.
- 16.3. Rule P2.3 will not apply and P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 16.4. Appendix T - Arbitration shall apply.

17. SCORING

- 17.1. The Low Point Scoring System in RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 17.2. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3. When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.4. When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18. [DP] CHANGE OF CREW

No changes to the helmsperson will be accepted. Changes of crew may be permitted at the discretion of the Race Committee if a sufficiently valid reason is given in writing prior to starting a session.

19. [DP] EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 19.1. The owner or skipper shall ensure their boat complies with all class measurement rules & AS Safety Regulations or they may be subject to protest.
- 19.2. 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 all races in that session.

20. [DP] 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.

21. PRIZES

- 21.1. Prizes will be awarded as per the Notice of Race.
- 21.2. Other trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the organising committee.
- 21.3. A Presentation ceremony will be held on the northern podium (upper level) of the main clubhouse as soon as possible after the last race.

22. ENTRY DISCLAIMER

- 22.1. 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.
- 22.2. 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

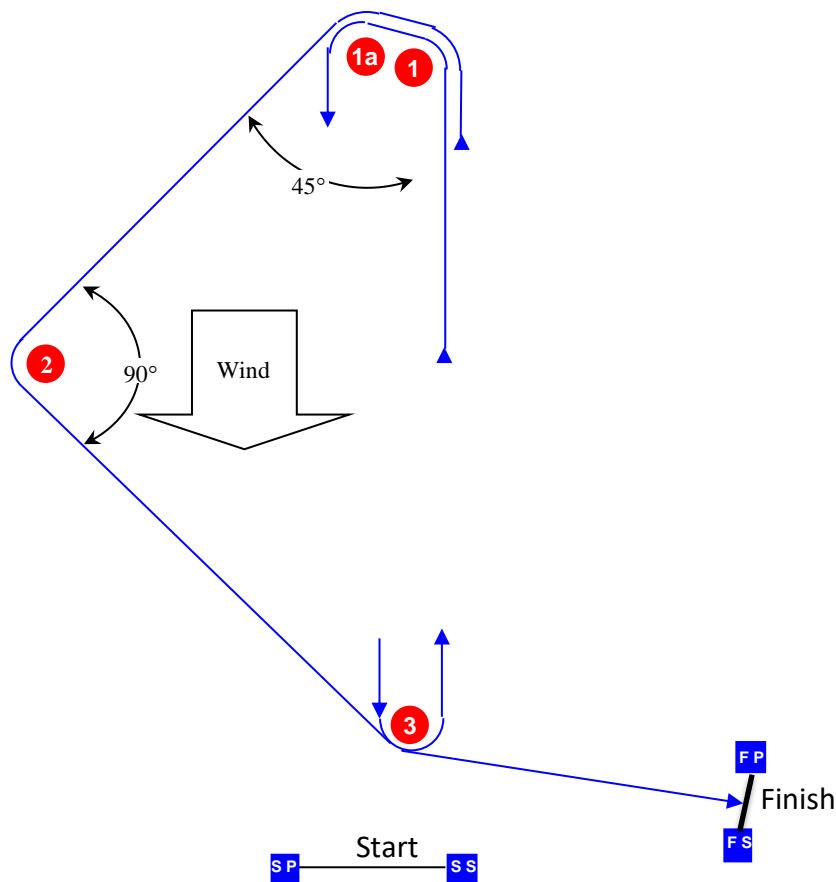
Results will be posted on the notice board and Sandringham Yacht Club's website at <https://syc.com.au/sail-sandy/>

Attachment “A” - Courses

Alpha Course

Course Illustration – Windward / Leeward and Triangular courses

L / T



Course: Windward/Leeward

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
L 1	Start – 1 – 1a – 3 – Finish
L 2	Start – 1 – 1a – 3 – 1 – 1a – 3 – Finish
L 3	Start – 1 – 1a – 3 – 1 – 1a – 3 – 1 – 1a – 3 – Finish

Course: Triangular Downwind Finish

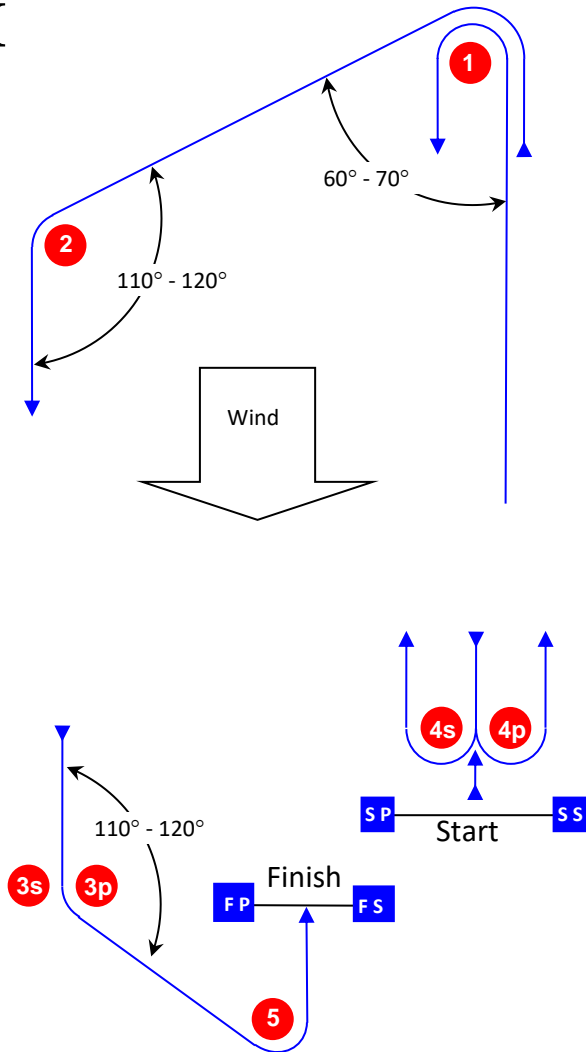
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
T 1	Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – 3 Finish
T 2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – 3 – 1 – 1a – 3 – Finish
T 3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – 3 – 1 – 1a – 3 – 1 – 1a – 2 – 3 – Finish

Mark	Description
1	Orange conical
1a	Small green cylindrical
2	Orange conical
3	Orange conical
SS Starting mark starboard end	Committee boat displaying orange flag
SP Starting mark port end	Orange conical buoy with black band
FS Finishing mark starboard	Blue conical
FP Finishing mark port end	Committee boat displaying blue flag

Bravo Course

Course Illustration – Trapezoid

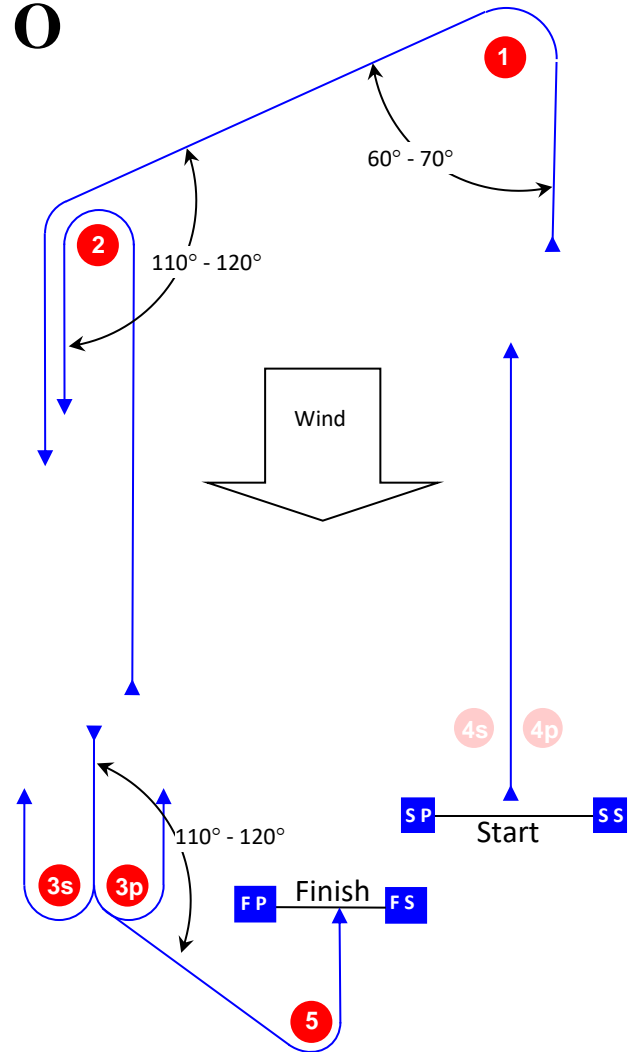
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Course: Inner Trapezoid

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
I1	Start – 1 – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish
I2	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish
I3	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish

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Course: Outer Trapezoid

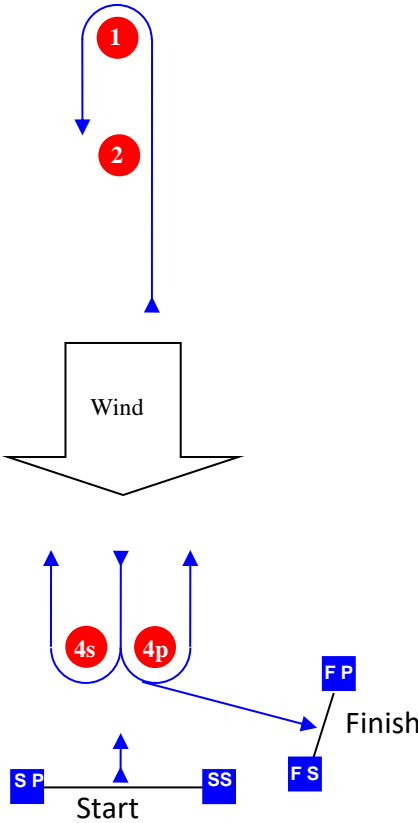
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
O1	Start – 1 – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish
O2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish
O3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – 2 – 3s/3p – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish

Mark	Description
1 2 5	Yellow conical marks
3s 3p	Gate – Yellow conical marks
4s 4p	Gate – Yellow conical marks
SS Starting mark starboard end	Committee boat displaying orange flag
SP Starting mark port end	Orange conical buoy with black band
FS Finishing mark starboard end	Committee boat displaying blue flag
FP Finishing mark port end	Black and white checked cylindrical buoy

Charlie Course

Course Illustrations – Windward Leeward

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Course: Inner Leeward finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
I1	Start – 2 – 4p – Finish
I2	Start – 2 – 4s/4p – 2 – 4p – Finish
I3	Start – 2 – 4s/4p – 2 – 4s/4p – 2 – 4p – Finish

Course: Outer Leeward finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
O1	Start – 1 – 4p – Finish
O2	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4p – Finish
O3	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4p – Finish

Mark	Description
1	Orange conical
2	Pink conical
4s 4p	Yellow conical
SS Starting mark starboard end	Committee boat displaying orange flag
SP Starting mark port end	Orange conical
FS Finishing mark starboard end	Blue Conical
FP Finishing mark port end	Committee boat displaying blue flag