

SECTION 3

COMBINED CLUBS LONG RACE SERIES

The following Sailing Instructions, in addition to those detailed in Section 1, are applicable to all Groups in the Combined Clubs Long Race Series (Long Race Series).

1. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Includes races scheduled for a Mid-river Start.

DAY	DATE	HOST CLUB	START	FINISH
Day1	09 October 2021	DSS	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp
Day 2	06 November 2021	BYC	Midriver	Finish Line 2 – Victoria Esp
Day 3	04 December 2021	BYC	Midriver	Finish Line 2 – Victoria Esp
Day 4	29 January 2022	DSS	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp
Day 5	26 February 2022	RYCT	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp

2. CREW DECLARATION

- 2.1. Crew Declaration.
 - 2.1.1. For each race a boat shall submit a COVID-19 Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before its group race warning signal.
 - 2.1.2. The Crew Declaration shall confirm that the boat intends to race and shall include required details of persons on board as follows:
 - i. Name;
 - ii. Contact phone number;
 - iii. Australian Sailing Number in accordance with SI 2.2; and
 - iv. Any other information which may be required to comply with government COVID-19 reporting requirements or regulations.
 - 2.1.3. Boats that do not comply with SI 2.1.1 and SI 2.1.2 will be scored DSQ without a hearing for the relevant race. This changes A5.1 RRS (2021-24).
- 2.2. All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46 as amended by AS.
 - 2.2.1. To 31 December 2021 any crew member who sails in more than three (3) races in a season shall be a member of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing and an Australian Sailing card holder (SIN) or a SailPass holder.
 - 2.2.2. From 1 January 2022, all participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to Australian Sailing or a Sail Pass holder.

3. GROUPS

3.1. The Long Race Series will be conducted in allocated groups. The Race Committee will allocate boats according to size, known performance and TCF handicaps (where known). The composition of each group will be displayed on each club's noticeboard and be available from 16:00 on the Friday before the first race of the series

4. FIRST WARNING SIGNAL TIMES & GROUP IDENTIFIERS

GROUP	WARNING SIGNAL	START TIME	GROUP NUMERAL
Group 1	09:55	10:00	1
Group 2	10:00	10:05	2
Group 3	10:05	10:10	3
Group 4	10:10	10:15	4
Group 5	10:15	10:20	5

The Starting Signal will be five (5) minutes after the warning signal.

5. STARTING AREA, START AND FINISH LINES

5.1. START LINE – MID-RIVER START

The Mid-River Start Line will be between an Orange staff or Orange flag on the Committee Boat and a Yellow inflatable buoy.

The Committee Boat which will be moored in an area bounded by a line between Castray Esplanade and Kangaroo Bluff to the North and Crayfish Point and Trywork Point to the South. The name of the Committee Boat for the day will be posted on the start list. It will be standing by on VHF Channel 81 if competitors require directions to the Start Line.

5.2. FINISH LINE 1 – CASTRAY ESPLANADE

Finish Line 1 will be between the flagpole on the Castray Box and a Yellow with Red band inflatable buoy laid approximately east of Castray Box.

5.3. FINISH LINE 2 – VICTORIA ESPLANADE

Finish Line 2 will be between the flagpole on the Victoria Esplanade Box and a Yellow with Red band inflatable buoy laid approximately west of the Victoria Esplanade Box.

6. STARTING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. After each start there may be a 30 second time lag in the displaying of the new Group Identifier and Course flag/Course board but the time for the succeeding Group shall be taken from the signal indicating the start of the previous Group.
- 6.2. Competitors may be advised of starting procedure signals on VHF Channel 81.
- 6.3. Note: Boats should not transmit on VHF Channel 81 whilst a starting sequence is in progress except in an emergency.

7. RECALLS

7.1. Individual and General Recalls may be subsequently announced on VHF Channel 81. Failure to notify individual recalls by radio shall not be grounds for redress.

8. SHORTENING COURSE

- 8.1. Should the Race Committee decide to shorten course, Code flag S will be displayed on the Finish Box. This will be accompanied by two (2) sound signals and shall apply to all Groups unless group numeral signals are displayed, in which case it shall apply only to those Groups whose signal is displayed.
- 8.2. Boats shall sail directly from the last mark through the Finish Line. This changes RRS 32.

9. COURSE SIGNALS

Courses will be indicated by course boards displayed on the Race Committee Boat.

9.1. A windward laid mark may be laid as the first mark of the course after the start. This mark will be an Orange inflatable buoy and if deployed will be laid approximately to windward at a distance of approximately 0.5 – 2.0 nautical miles from the Start Line. The direction of rounding the windward mark will be indicated on the Race Committee Boat – Green for starboard rounding and Red for port rounding. If no signal is made, this mark is deleted from the course. The deployment or non-deployment of this mark may be advised by VHF radio. Failure to advise will not be grounds for redress.

10. COURSES

10.1. Note: Where applicable all boats must pass to seaward of the Iron Pot and all Marks are to be rounded and left to starboard unless otherwise indicated.

COURSE		APPROX. DISTANCE NM
01	Wedge Island Start to Wedge Island to Finish	48.4nm
02	Storm Bay Start to SB to Finish	33.0nm
03	Isle of Caves Start to the Isle of Caves (to Port) to Finish	50.6nm
04	Clifton Beach Start to CB to Finish	36.8nm
05	Betsey Island Start to Betsey Island to Finish	30.0nm
06	Betsey Island Start to Betsey Island (to Port) to Finish	30.1nm
07	Bligh Point – Channel Race Start to E (to Port) to Finish	25.4nm
08	Green Island Start to Green Island to Finish	40.6nm
09	Seacroft Bay Start to S to Finish	19.4nm
10	Little Betsey Island Start to Little Betsey Island to Finish	28.4nm
11	Little Betsey Island & Yellow Bluff Start to Little Betsey Island to Y to Finish	33.6nm
12	Yellow Bluff Start to Y to Finish	28.7nm
13	Bull Bay Start to BB to Finish	24.8nm

14	Seacroft Bay & Piersons Point Start to S to K to Finish	21.8nm
15	Ralphs Bay & Piersons Point Start to R to K to Finish	21.5nm
16	Ralphs Bay, Black Jack Rocks & Yellow Bluff Start to R to Black Jack Rocks to Y to Finish	36.9nm
17	Ralphs Bay & Black Jack Rocks Start to R to Black Jack Rocks to Finish	30.6nm
18	Blackmans Bay, Ralphs Bay & Blackmans Bay Start to Q (to Port) to R (to Port) to Q to Finish	24.2nm
19	Black Jack Rocks, Blackmans Bay & Black Jack Rocks Start to Black Jack Rocks to Q to Black Jack Rocks to Finish	45.8nm
20	Seacroft Bay, Blackmans Bay & Seacroft Bay Start to S to Q to S (Port) to Finish	27.4nm
21	Seacroft Bay & Blackmans Bay Start to S to Q to Finish	20.9nm
22	Cartwright Point Start to C to O to C to Finish	12.0nm
23	Variety Bay Start to V to Finish	38.6nm
24	Pigeon Holes & Blackmans Bay Start to PH to Q to Finish	16.9nm
25	Pigeon Holes - Blackmans Bay - Pigeon Holes - Blackmans Bay Start to PH to Q to PH to Q to Finish	21.4nm
26	Ralphs Bay – Start/Finish - Ralphs Bay Start to R to O to R to Finish	20.8nm
27	Blackmans Bay, Cartwright Pt & Blackmans Bay Start to Q (Port) to C (Port) to Q (Port) to Finish	23.1nm
28	Blackmans Bay–Cartwright Pt–Blackmans Bay–Cartwright Pt–Blackmans Bay Start to Q (Port) to C (Port) to Q (Port) to C (Port) to Q (Port) to Finish	31.8nm
29	White Rock - John Garrow - White Rock Start to WR to G to WR to Finish	18.7nm
30	Ralphs Bay - John Garrow - Ralphs Bay Start to R to G to R to Finish	16.6nm
31	Pigeon Holes - John Garrow - White Rock Start to PH to G to WR to Finish	22.2nm
32	Pigeon Holes - Tranmere - Start/Finish - John Garrow Start to PH (to Port) to T (to Port) to O (to Port) to G (to Port) to Finish	20.0nm
33	Ralphs Bay - John Garrow - White Rock Start to R to G (to Port) to WR to Finish	17.7nm
34	Ralphs Bay - White Rock - John Garrow - Ralphs Bay Start to R to WR to G to R to Finish	19.5nm
35	Pigeon Holes - John Garrow - Pigeon Holes Start to PH to G to PH to Finish	25.7nm

36	White Rock - Start/Finish - White Rock Start to WR (to Port) to O (to Port) to WR (to Port) to Finish	22.6nm
37	Storm Bay – Seacroft Bay – Storm Bay Start to SB to S to SB to Finish	46.4nm
38	Blackmans Bay – White Rock – Blackmans Bay Start to Q (to Port) to WR (to Port) to Q (to Starboard) to Finish	19.5nm

11. MARKS - ALL COURSES NOTE: POSITIONS, BEARING AND DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY

- BB Yellow inflatable buoy 0.3 nm E of Bull Bay Point (~43 05.4'S 147 22.9'E).
- C Orange inflatable buoy on a line between Cartwright Point and a position 1nm E of Cartwright Point.
- CB Orange inflatable buoy 0.5 nm S of Cape Deslacs (~42 59.7'S 147 33.2'E).
- E Yellow inflatable buoy positioned 0.4 nm W of Bligh Point.
- G Orange inflatable buoy with black band 0.3 nm E of John Garrow Light.
- K Orange inflatable buoy 0.5 nm NE of Piersons Point (~43 02.9'S 147 21.0'E).
- O Yellow with a Red band inflatable buoy to indicate the outer end of and Finish Line 1 & 2.
- PH Yellow inflatable buoy 0.6 nm WNW of The Pigeon Holes (~430 00.3'S 147 23.1'E).
- Q Orange inflatable buoy 0.5 nm E of the Northern end of Blackmans Bay (~43.00.03'S 147 20.26'E).
- R Orange inflatable buoy in Ralphs Bay on a line NE of Gellibrand Point.
- S Orange inflatable buoy in Seacroft Bay midway between Johns Point and Cape Deliverance (~43 02.5'S 147 24.3'E).
- SB Orange inflatable buoy on a line between the Iron Pot and Wedge Is approx. 5.5nm from the Iron Pot.
- T Orange permanent mark 0.4nm SW of Tranmere Point.
- V Yellow inflatable buoy 0.5nm NE of Variety Bay (~43 12.0'S 147 25.7'E).
- WR Orange inflatable buoy laid 0.5 nm from and within an arc NW to SW of White Rock.
- Y Orange inflatable buoy 0.5 nm North of Yellow Bluff (~43 07. 2'S 147 24.0'E).

12. RACE AREA AND SAFETY CATEGORIES

12.1. The Long Race Series will be sailed on the River Derwent, D'Entrecasteaux Channel, Frederick Henry Bay and Storm Bay and in accordance with NoR 15.1. In all cases Section 5, 5.01.1 (j) (PFDs) shall apply.

13. HANDICAPS

13.1. Competitors in the Long Race Series will have a PHS handicap. The Combined Clubs Handicap Committee will set the handicaps before the first race of the series and these may be adjusted after each race. The Race Committee may, subject to minimum entry requirements as per the NOR, permit an IRC and/or an AMS result. The Race Committee's choice of handicap is final and shall not be grounds for protest.

14. RESULTS

- 14.1. Official provisional result sheets will be displayed on the official notice board of each club before 12:00 on the first working day following the race. The time of posting thereof will be shown on the result sheet.
- 14.2. The only recognised official results will be those posted on the official notice board and are subject to protest or request for redress. Any times or results, given verbally or displayed elsewhere or faxed to other clubs or published in a newspaper or electronically on a website or similar are for information only

and may be subject to correction. The results are therefore not official and shall not be subject to protest or request for redress. Where possible results may be published on each club's website as soon as possible after a race.

14.3. Races will be scored based on PHS handicaps and/or IRC and AMS ratings.

15. SCORING

15.1. MINIMUM NUMBER OF RACES

Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 15.2. SERIES SCORE
 - 15.2.1. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 15.2.2. When six races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - 15.2.3. When eight or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her two worst scores.
- 15.3. Boats wishing to compete in World Sailing or Australian Sailing sanctioned World and or National Championships during the Combined Clubs Sailing Season 2021-22 may apply to the Combined Clubs Committee to be awarded average points for a nominated race in the Long Race Series. If the application to the Combined Clubs Committee is successful then this changes RRS 62 and average points will be calculated as per RRS Appendix A10 (a).

16. PROTESTS

16.1. Protests must be lodged at the RYCT, BYC or DSS within two hours of the last boat finishing in the last race of the day or the Race Committee signalling 'No More Racing Today'. The protest will be heard at a time determined by the Combined Clubs Protest Committee.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1. Trophies will be awarded to the first boat in each Long Race Series Group.
- 17.2. Additional trophies may be awarded but the organisers reserve the right to vary the number of trophies awarded based on the number of entries:

Five entries	1st prize
Six to nine entries	1st and 2nd prizes
Ten or more entries	1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes

- 17.1. A minimum of five (5) entries are required to constitute a group.
- 17.2. Individual race day prizes may be awarded by the Club conducting the events.

18. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

18.1. Any changes to these SIs will be posted on the official notice boards of each club by 17:00 on the Friday before the race.

19. TIME LIMITS

- 19.1. The time limit will be 18:30. Boats that have not then finished will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF) without a hearing.
- 19.2. This changes Rule 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

20. NUMBER OF CREW

20.1. All boats are to carry a sufficient number of crew as per NoR 2.11.

21. RETIREMENTS

21.1. Any boat retiring shall report the fact to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

22. RADIO INSTRUCTIONS

- 22.1. All competitors shall maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 81 for all Groups, for announcements by the Race Committee. Competitors should also monitor VHF Channel 16 at all times.
- 22.2. The Race Committee may broadcast the course to be sailed, names/sail numbers of OCS boats and/or other information of interest to competitors.

SECTION 3 RACE COURSE CARD

