



  
**KING  
OF THE  
DERWENT**

2 January 2025

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

## 1. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 11:00 on the day it will take effect.
- 1.2. Changes to the sailing instructions will be published on the Official Notice Board (ONB) found on the regatta website <[HERE](#)>.

## 2. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be post on the Official Notice Board located <[HERE](#)>
- 2.2. The race office is located in reception of the Derwent Sailing Squadron (DSS), telephone 0417 121 575 and email address will be [sailing@dssinc.org.au](mailto:sailing@dssinc.org.au).
- 2.3. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 2.4. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 14.
- 2.5. [NP] On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 14.

## 3. CODE OF CONDUCT

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

## 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag pole located to the east of the DSS clubhouse.

## 5. Crew Declaration.

- 5.1. A boat shall submit a Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before its group race warning signal.
- 5.2. 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; and
  - iii. Australian Sailing Number in accordance with SI's 5.4.
- 5.3. Boats that do not comply with SI 5.1 and SI 5.2 will be scored DSQ without a hearing. This changes A5.1 RRS.

- 5.4. All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46, as amended by AS. All participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to Australian Sailing or a Sail Pass holder <[HERE](#)>.

## 6. SCHEDULE OF RACE

Date	Time	Event
Thursday 2 January 2025	13:55 hrs	First Warning Signal
	18:00 hrs approx.	Prize Presentation at DSS

## 7. CLASSES AND DIVISIONS

- 7.1. In addition to the overall placing's in the IRC, ORCc and PHS classes, additional divisions may be established within the classes, subject to the number of entries. The purpose of separate divisions is to enable boats of similar class or speed to compete on an equal footing in the same division. The composition of divisions will not be subject to protest.
- 7.2. The number and composition of divisions (if any) will be posted on the official notice board no later than 12:00 hours on the day of the race.

## 8. START AND CLASS IDENTIFIER

- 8.1. Start 14:00 hours Numeral Pennant 1.
- 8.2. Competitors will be advised of the position of the start area on VHF Channel 14 no earlier than 30 minutes before the start of the race

## 9. RACE AREA

Racing will be conducted on the waters of the Derwent River.

## 10. START/FINISH LINE

- 10.1. The Start/Finish Line will be between the orange mast on the port side of the Race Committee Boat and a yellow inflatable buoy with a red band.
- 10.2. A Start Buoy carrying a green flag may be moored near the Race Committee Boat approximately on the Start Line and the competing boats must leave the green flag on the same hand as the Race Committee Boat.

## 11. STARTING INSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1. The King of the Derwent Yacht Race will be started in accordance with RRS 26 as modified by these SIs. This modifies RRS 26.

Attention signal - Orange flag	10 minute
Warning signal - Class flag hoisted	05 minute
Preparatory signal hoisted (P or U or Black)	04 minute
Preparatory signal lowered	01 minute
Starting signal - Class flag lowered	00 minute

## 12. RECALLS

Individual recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.1. The Race Committee may inform boats that infringed Rule 29.1 on VHF Channel 14 after the start signal.

## 13. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

- 13.1. A change of course after the start will be signalled before the leading boat has begun its next leg, although the new mark may not then be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark. This changes RRS 33. The approximate compass bearing and distance to the new mark may be displayed on the Committee Boat and may be broadcast on VHF Channel 14.

## 14. COURSES

- 14.1. Boats shall not sail through the Start/Finish Line (LINE) except when required to do so by any of the following courses. A breach of this SI may be penalized with a 2 (two) minute time penalty without a hearing.
- 14.2. The bearing and approximate distance (in nautical miles) to the first mark may be indicated at or before the warning signal.

### **COURSE all marks to be rounded and left to port**

Course A START → 1 → 2 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → FINISH

Course B START → 1 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → FINISH

Course C START → 1 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → FINISH

Course D START → 1 → 2 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 2 → 3 → FINISH

## 15. MARKS

- Mark 1 Orange inflatable buoy laid to windward of the Start Line
  - Mark 2 Orange inflatable buoy laid approximately 45 degrees to a line between marks 1 & 3
  - Mark 3 Orange inflatable buoy laid to leeward of the Start Line
- CHANGE OF COURSE Yellow inflatable buoy

#### 16. TIME LIMIT

- 16.1. The time limit for the Derwent Yacht Race will be 17:00 hours. All boats that have not then finished will be scored "Did Not Finish" (DNF) without a hearing.

#### 17. HANDICAPS

- 17.1. The results of the IRC class will be obtained by use of the TCC rating shown on a boats current IRC rating certificate. For the purposes of clarity, the Non-Spinnaker TCC that appears on the same certificate shall not be used.
- 17.2. The results of the ORC class will be obtained by use of the handicaps from the current ORC rating certificates.
- 17.3. The results of the Performance Handicap System (PHS) will be obtained by handicaps using Time Correction Factors (TCFs) as determined by the Race Committee or its nominee based on the best available information. The allocated TCFs shall not be subject to protest.

#### 18. NOTIFICATION OF RESULTS

- 18.1. A copy of the results of the King of the Derwent and Launceston to Hobart Race Series will be posted on the Official Notice Board of the Derwent Sailing Squadron

#### 19. PROTESTS

- 19.1. Protests will be heard as soon as practical at the Derwent Sailing Squadron after the King of the Derwent Race and lodging of a \$50 Protest Fee.
- 19.2. A protest form must be lodged at the Derwent Sailing Squadron office within 45 minutes of the last boat finishing.
- 19.3. The time of the protest or redress hearing will be advised.

#### 20. COMMITTEE BOAT

- 20.1. The Race Committee Boat will be standing by on VHF Channel 14 if competitors require directions to the Start Line.
- 20.2. The name of the Committee Boat will be posted on the official notice board.

## 21. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone'. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden change of weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

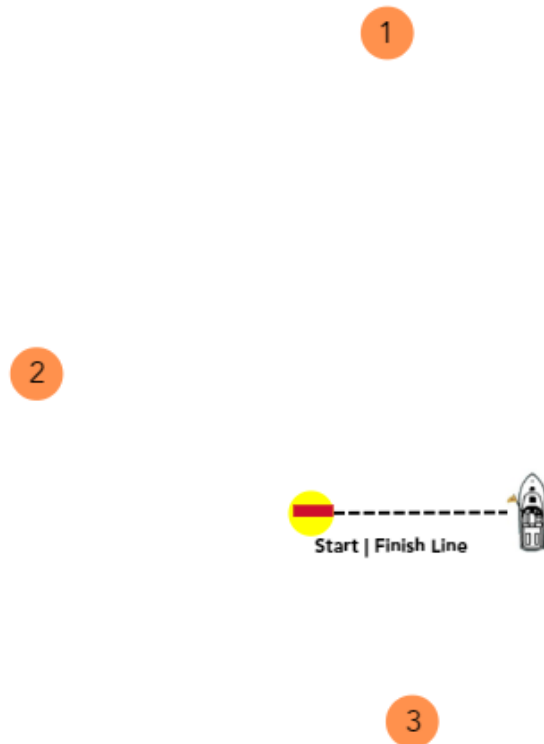
## 22. TROPHIES AND PRIZES

- 22.1. Overall, class and divisional prizes and trophies will be won by the boat with the lowest corrected times.
- 22.2. The overall IRC winner of the King of the Derwent Yacht Race will be recorded on the Perpetual Premier's Trophy and will receive a major prize, but will not be eligible for an additional divisional prize.
- 22.3. The first boat across the Finish Line will receive the Hobart City Cup Perpetual Trophy.
- 22.4. Divisional prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

## 23. TROPHY PRESENTATION

- 23.1. The official presentation of trophies and prizes, including the Launceston to Hobart Race Series will be at the Derwent Sailing Squadron on Monday 2 January 2024 at the conclusion of racing.

# KING OF THE DERWENT - COURSE CARD



## COURSES FOR THE KING OF THE DERWENT

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COURSE all marks to be rounded and left to port

A START → 1 → 2 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → FINISH

B START → 1 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → through line → 1 → 3 → FINISH

C START → 1 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → FINISH

D START → 1 → 2 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 3 → through LINE → 1 → 2 to 3 to Finish

MARKS (Marks may have sponsor logos fitted)

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CHANGE OF COURSE Yellow Inflatable buoy