

2024 OK Dinghy Victorian State Championships

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs) v1.0

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(a).

The notation '[SP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that the Race Committee can apply a standard penalty for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at <https://www.bryc.com.au/home/>.
- 3.2 The Race Office will be in the Regatta Office building to the east of the decking of the main BRYC clubhouse. Contact can also be made via officials located in the BRYC Race Tower or the Race Officer.
- 3.3 [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.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the main flagstaff of BRYC, located on the back balcony of the club grounds.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

| Date | Time | Activity |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| 29 th December 2023 | 0900 - 1100 hrs | Registration |
| 29 th December 2023 | 1200 hrs | Competitors Meeting |
| 29 th December 2023 | Racing 1400 hrs | 2 races Welcome Function after racing |
| 30 th December 2023 | Racing 1400 hrs | Up to 3 races |
| 31 st December 2023 | Racing 1400 hrs | Up to 3 races Presentation after racing |

- 6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 13:55.
- 6.4 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 a warning signal is made.
- 6.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 16:00.

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8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 The racing area is to the west of Black Rock yacht Club on Port Phillip.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum 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 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 The windward mark (1), wing mark (2) and leeward mark (3) are yellow inflatable conical buoys. All are to be left to port.
- 10.2 The clearance mark (1A) is a small yellow cylindrical mark. Following a

change of course, mark 1A will be removed from the course and boats will sail from mark 1 to the next mark of the course.

10.3 The starting pin mark will be a staff mark flying an orange flag.

10.4 The finishing mark will be a black and white checkered cylindrical buoy.

10.5 A change of course mark (as provided for in SI 13.1) will be a yellow inflatable conical mark with a black band.

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12 THE START

12.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

12.2 The starting line is between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing boat and the finishing mark.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

16 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

16.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

| Mark 1 Time Limit | Race Time Limit | Finishing Window | Target Time |
|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|
| 20 minutes | 90 minutes | 20 minutes | 60 minutes |

16.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

16.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE

shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

16.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

17 HEARING REQUESTS

17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

17.2 Hearing request forms are available from the Regatta Office building to the east of the decking of the main BRYC clubhouse.

17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Regatta Office building, beginning at the time posted.

17.5 RRS 62.2(a) and 66.2(a) do not apply.

17.6 The right of appeal from a protest committee decision is denied as provided in rule 70.5[(a)][(b)][(c)].

18 SCORING

18.1 One race are required to be completed to constitute a series.

18.2 (a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 6 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 [SP] Sign-On: Sign-Off:

For each race or race session each boat intending to race shall personally 'sign-on' using the Sailor app prior to leaving the shore and shall "sign-off" upon returning to shore, but no later than the end of protest time for that day. Failure to comply with this sailing instruction will result in a boat being penalised for one or more races of that day. Penalty can be applied without a hearing. If your sign-on/off device is not working, you may also sign-on/off with the designated race official.

19.2 [SP] Personal Flotation Devices: All competitors shall wear, at all times whilst afloat, personal flotation devices which are in good condition and in accordance with the specifications issued or approved by a national authority affiliated to the World Sailing, or a standards organisation, or certification authority, recognised for the purpose by its respective government. Inflatable PFDs shall not be used. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 1.2

19.3 [SP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at

the first reasonable opportunity.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Race Officer.
- 20.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the Race Officer. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.
- 21.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

22 SUPPLIED BOATS - not applicable

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 23.1 Official vessels will be identified as follows: The Black Rock Yacht Club burgee will be displayed.

24 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS - not applicable

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 25.1 Trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

26 BERTHING - not applicable.

27 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS - not applicable.

28 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS - not applicable.

29 PRIZES

- 29.1 Prizes will be given as per the Notice of Race.

30 RISK STATEMENT

- 30.1 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 changes in 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.**

31 INSURANCE

- 31.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUS\$10,000,000 per incident or the

equivalent.

32. STANDARD PENALTIES

The following standard penalties will be applied without a hearing for breaching the following rules

| SI Rule | Penalty |
|--|---|
| 19.1 Failure to Sign-on | 2 points in first race for that sailing session |
| 19.1 Failure to Sign-off | 2 points in last race for that sailing session |
| 19.2 Failure to wear Personal Flotation Device | Disqualification |
| 19.3 Failure to complete a retirement form | 2 points |

SI ADDENDUM A

The diagrams below shows the courses for the Victorian OK State Titles, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed.

Course: Start - 1 - 1A - 2 - 3 - 1 - 1A - 3 - 1 - 1A - 2 - 3 - Finish

Course numbers will be displayed on the start boat no later than the Preparatory signal.

Notes:

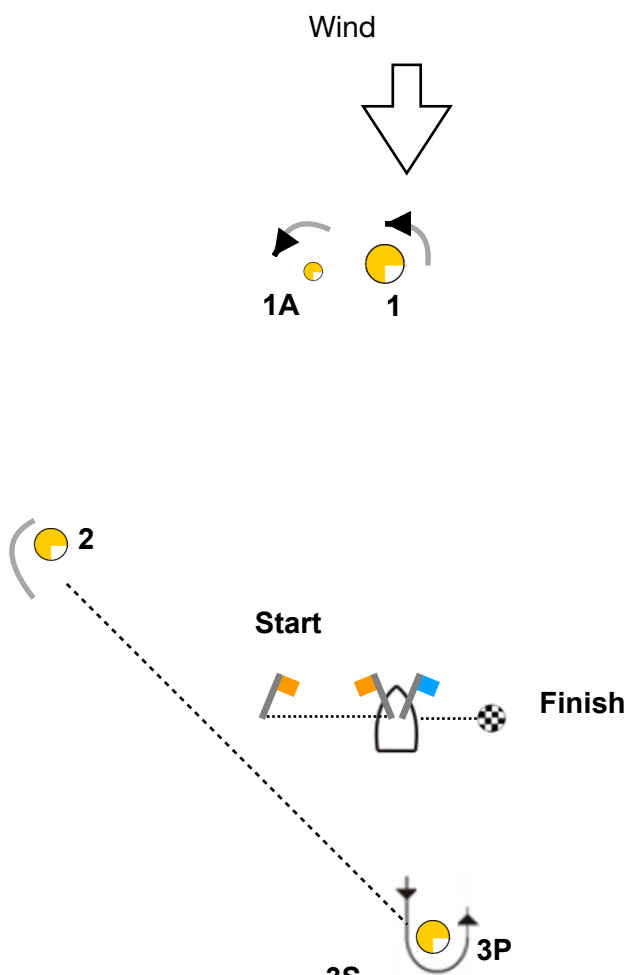
Diagrams are not to scale nor necessarily in proportion.

Triangle components will be between 60 and 90 degrees at the wing mark.

Marks 1, 1A, 2, 3 left to port.

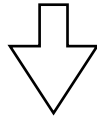
Following change of course, mark 1A will be removed from the course.

Course 1

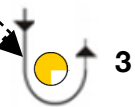
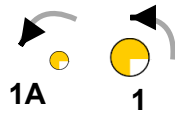


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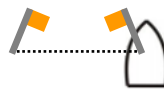
Wind



Finish



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Start