



## Sailing Instructions



# *2023 Victorian ILCA Inland Waters Championships 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2023*

*Organising Authority:* Bendigo Yacht Club (BeYC) in conjunction with the Victorian Laser Association

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### **1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. Australian Sailing Special Regulations, Part 2, for Off the Beach boats shall apply.
- 1.3. RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, applies for this regatta.
- 1.4. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

### **2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the online Official Notice Board available on the Sailor App regatta tab.

### **3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 90 minutes before the scheduled time for the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900hrs on the day before it will take effect.

### **4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast located south-east of the Clubhouse.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.

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## 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 5.1. Dates of racing:

<b>Saturday 4th November</b>	Registration	1000hrs -> 1230hrs
	Information Session	1230hrs
	<b>Racing</b>	<b>1400hrs</b>
	Dinner available	See info sheet
<b>Sunday 5th November</b>	<b>Racing</b>	<b>1030hrs</b>
	Presentation	Following conclusion of racing

5.2. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with a long sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

5.3. Flag "L" flown on the Finish Boat will indicate that another race will be started following completion of the current race. Flag "L" flown over a class flag indicates another race for that class only.

5.4. No warning signal will be made after 1500 on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

## 6. COMPETITION FORMAT

6.1. Racing will be conducted in three Classes as follows:

- ILCA 7;
- ILCA 6; and
- ILCA 4

## 7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1. The Class flag for the **ILCA 7** will be a White Flag with Red ILCA Emblem.

7.2. The Class flag for the **ILCA 6** will be a Green Flag with Red ILCA Emblem.

7.3. The Class flag for the **ILCA 4** will be a Yellow Flag with Red ILCA Emblem.

## 8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be on the waters of Lake Eppalock off Bendigo Yacht Club.

## 9. COURSES

9.1. The diagram in Attachment A shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2. Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes rule 33.

## 10. MARKS

10.1. Mark 1 will be a red self-inflating mark.

10.2. Mark 2 will be a yellow self-inflating mark.

10.3. Mark 3 will be a red round ball mark.

10.4. Marks 4S and 4P will be red self-inflating marks.

10.5. The Start Mark will be an orange flag stick mark.

10.6. The Finish Mark will be a blue flag stick mark.

## 11. THE START

11.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end and the Start Mark. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

11.2. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

## 12. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end and the port-end Finish Mark.

## 13. TIME LIMIT

13.1. The target time for the first boat to complete the course will be 40 minutes and the time limit for the first boat to complete the course will be 90 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

13.2. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored "Did Not Finish". This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## 14. PROTESTS

14.1. Protest forms will be available from the Regatta Office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

14.2. The protest time limit for each Class will be 60 minutes after the last boat for that Class has finished the last race of the day, or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

14.3. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee about incidents they see in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

14.4. Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

14.5. Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

14.6. Breaches of Sailing Instruction 16 shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).

14.7. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

## 15. SCORING

As per the Notice of Race, Section 9.

## 16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1. Sign On and Sign Off: All boats must "sign on" before leaving the shore and "sign off" as soon as practicable after returning to shore at the completion of the session's racing.

The Sign On period for each Class will close at the scheduled warning signal time of the first race for that session on that day.

The Sign Off period for each Class will close 60 minutes after the last boat has completed the last race of the session.

To "sign on," each skipper shall sign on using the Sailor App.

To "sign off," each skipper shall sign off using the Sailor App.

- 16.2. Failure to Sign On or Sign Off in accordance with SI 15.1 will result in that boat receiving a 5 point penalty without a hearing. However, no boat shall be scored worse than DSQ. For boats failing to sign on, this penalty will be applied to the first race of the session. For boats failing to sign off, this penalty will be applied to the last race of the session. If there is only one race in a session, a boat will only receive one penalty. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 16.3. A tablet will be provided at the registration table for competitor use if required.

## 17. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1. All competitors shall use only one hull, one sail, one mast and boom, one centreboard and one rudder.
- 17.2. Substitution of lost or damaged equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity.

## 18. RACE COMMITTEE BOATS

Race committee boats and rescue boats have "Bendigo YC Rescue" on their sides.

## 19. PRIZES

The prizes will be given as per the Notice of Race.

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# Attachment A

## Course Diagram

This diagram shows the relative positions of the marks of the course, but the distances between them are not necessarily to scale.

All marks will be left to port except where gates are used. Where there is a gate used, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either mark. In the event a gate mark is missing, the single mark remaining shall be left to Port.

### Roundings

**ILCA 7: Start, 1, 4SP – 1, 4SP – 1, 4SP Finish.**

**ILCA 6: Start, 2, 4SP – 2, 4SP – 2, 4SP Finish.**

**ILCA 4: Start, 3, 4SP – 3, 4SP – 3, 4SP Finish.**

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