



2024 CITY of CANBERRA REGATTA

29 November 2024 to 1 December 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organising Authority is the Canberra Yacht Club

1 RULES

- 1.1** The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 - 2024* except for changes indicated in relevant paragraphs in these Sailing Instructions and in the Notice of Race.
- 1.2** The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) and the rules of each competing class will apply.
- 1.3** All races in the series are Category 7. The night race specified in 5.3 below will be Category 7 with additional inclusions of:
- All competitors must wear at all times during the night race a lifejacket complying with AS4758-2015 (minimum Level 50) or AS1512-1996 Type 1 or Type 2, or equivalent or more stringent overseas standard.
 - Navigation lights shall be carried that conform to the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (Part C and technical annex 1) and shall be exhibited as required by those regulations.
 - A personal location light to be carried by or attached to each member of the crew when on deck at night. A phone torch is not acceptable.
 - A working handheld or mounted VHF radio. VHF Channel 73 will need to be monitored during the night race. The club will have limited handheld VHF's available for boats who do not have access to one.
- 1.4** RRS Part 4 preamble, 51, 52, 61.3, 62.1, 66, A5 will be changed as follows:
- RRS 61.3, 'Protest Time Limit', will be changed so that the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
 - RRS 66, 'Reopening a Hearing', will be changed so that on the last day of the regatta a party to a hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 30 minutes after being informed of the decision on that day.
 - RRS A5, 'Scoring', will be changed so that any boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS.
 - RRS 51 and 52 will be changed as follows:

A competitor may request permission from the Race Committee to use moveable and/or variable ballast for the purpose of increasing stability subject to a boat having been allocated a National yardstick / handicap rating. Stored power may be used for this operation. RRS 51 and 52 are modified to the extent required by this paragraph.
- 1.5** RRS Appendix T will apply. Arbitration may be used prior to a Protest Hearing.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted online on the CYC website www.canberrayc.com and on the official notice board in the Sailors Cabin at the Canberra Yacht Club (CYC).

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 90 minutes before the first scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect. Race signals - Code Flag "L" ashore applies for the first race day after each change is posted.
- 3.2 Changes to a sailing instruction may also be made on the water or when a Race Committee Boat (RCB) / Race Control Tower (RCT) is on station, RRS Race Signals - Code Flag "L" Afloat applies.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Race Control Tower (RCT).
- 4.2 If the AP flag is displayed from the race control tower when the starting (orange) flag is not displayed, races not started are postponed and the first warning signal will be made 30 minutes after the AP flag is removed.
- 4.3 If the AP flag is displayed from the race control tower when the starting (orange) flag is displayed, races not started are postponed and the warning signal will be made 1 minute after the AP flag is removed. This changes RRS Race Signals.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 There will be a race briefing before the Night Race on 29th November 2024, held in the CYC Sailors Cabin at 1900 hours. There may be a regatta briefing in the CYC Sailor's Cabin at 1030 hours on Saturday 30th November 2024.
- 5.2 Racing will be conducted in one Division
- 5.3 The schedule of races will be as follows:

Race	Type	Day and Date	Warning Signal
1	Night Passage Race, target duration: 120 minutes (See Diagram 2 in Attachment A)	Friday 29 th November 2024	2000 hrs
2	Triangle course, target duration: 120 minutes (See Diagram 1 in Attachment A)	Saturday 30 th November 2024	1130 hrs
3	Passage Race, target duration: 150 minutes (See Diagram 2 in Attachment A)	Saturday 30 th November 2024	1500 hrs
4	Triangle course, target duration: 90 minutes (See Diagram 1 in Attachment A)	Sunday 1st December 2024	1200 hrs
5	CYC Pointscore SI, concurrent with the CYC Club Race (Pointscore series) results to count for both City of Canberra Regatta and for CYC Pointscore Series.	Sunday 1st December 2024	1400 hrs

- 5.4 The Organising Authority may, where circumstances dictate, vary the format, classes and divisions and/or the schedule for the series.

6 FLAGS

6.1 Division Flags

Division 1 All boats

Numeral pennant 2

6.2 Signal Flags

Rounding Direction Flag	Red – course marks are to be left to Port Green – course marks are to be left to Starboard
Starting Flag	Orange flag
Finish Flag	Blue flag

7 COURSES

7.1 The diagrams in Attachment A (attached) show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. Diagrams are indicative only and do not specify an exact position for any part of the course. The RCB/RCT may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

7.2 For all courses a red flag displayed with the course flag from the RCB/RCT means boats shall leave course marks to port and a green flag means boats shall leave course marks to starboard.

8 SHORTENED COURSE

8.1 Courses may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2(a), or by use of the Shortened Course Mark.

8.2 The Shortened Course Mark is created by placing a 'sock' over an existing mark of the course applicable to Divisions for which the course is being shortened and a sound signal made. When the leading yacht in each Division rounds the Shortened Course Mark, it shall proceed directly to the finish line, crossing it from the direction of the Shortened Course Mark. The remaining competitors in each Division shall sail the required course as shortened and then proceed to the finish line.

8.3 The race committee may shorten a race after starting due to a change in wind conditions resulting in a severe lack of wind for a foreseeable future. The race committee shall not shorten under this SI without considering the consequences for all boats in the race or series. This changes RRS 32.1.

9 MARKS

9.1 Course marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 Yellow and green cylindrical buoys (refer to Attachment A)

Starting Mark Orange cylindrical buoy

Finishing Mark Black and white cylindrical buoy (or an orange cylindrical buoy may be used)

Shortened Course mark Blue with white band and black 'S' displayed (a 'sock' placed over the pink, green and/or yellow course mark(s) applicable to the Divisions for which the course is being shortened)

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal given 3 minutes before the starting signal and the preparatory signal given 2 minutes before the starting signal. This changes RRS 26.

10.2 For all races the starting line will be between the Starting Mark and the flagstaff on the RCB/RCT displaying the Starting Flag.

- 10.3** Boats whose Warning Signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and keep clear of all boats that are in their starting sequence.
- 10.4** A boat that is in the starting area and does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS), in accordance with the NoR paragraph 1.4, without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.
- 11 THE FINISH**
- 11.1** The finishing line will be between the Finishing Mark and the flagstaff of the RCB/RCT displaying the Finish Flag or, when a race is shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2(a), the finishing line will be between a mark of the course and the flagstaff of the RCB/RCT displaying an 'S' flag.
- 11.2** Boats shall keep clear of, and not cross, the finish line unless they are finishing.
- 12 TIME LIMITS**
- 12.1** The intention is to conduct races of durations as specified in SI clause 5.3, noting that this intention in no way constitutes a minimum or maximum time limit for a race and that failure of a race to be of this duration will not constitute grounds for redress. Boats not finishing within 60 minutes after the first boat in its Division finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35 and A5.
- 13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**
- 13.1** Protest forms are in the Sailors Cabin. Protests shall be submitted in accordance with RRS 61.3 with the time limit for competitors being 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 13.2** On the last day of the regatta a party to a hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 30 minutes after being informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
- 13.3** Notices of any protest 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. Hearings will be held at the CYC as soon as possible thereafter, or as advised.
- 14 SCORING**
- 14.1** Scoring will be as detailed at paragraph 9 of the NoR.
- 15 SAFETY REGULATIONS**
- 15.1** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 16 PRIZES**
- 16.1** Prizes are as detailed in paragraph 11 of the NoR.
- 17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
- 17.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 18 INSURANCE**
- 18.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

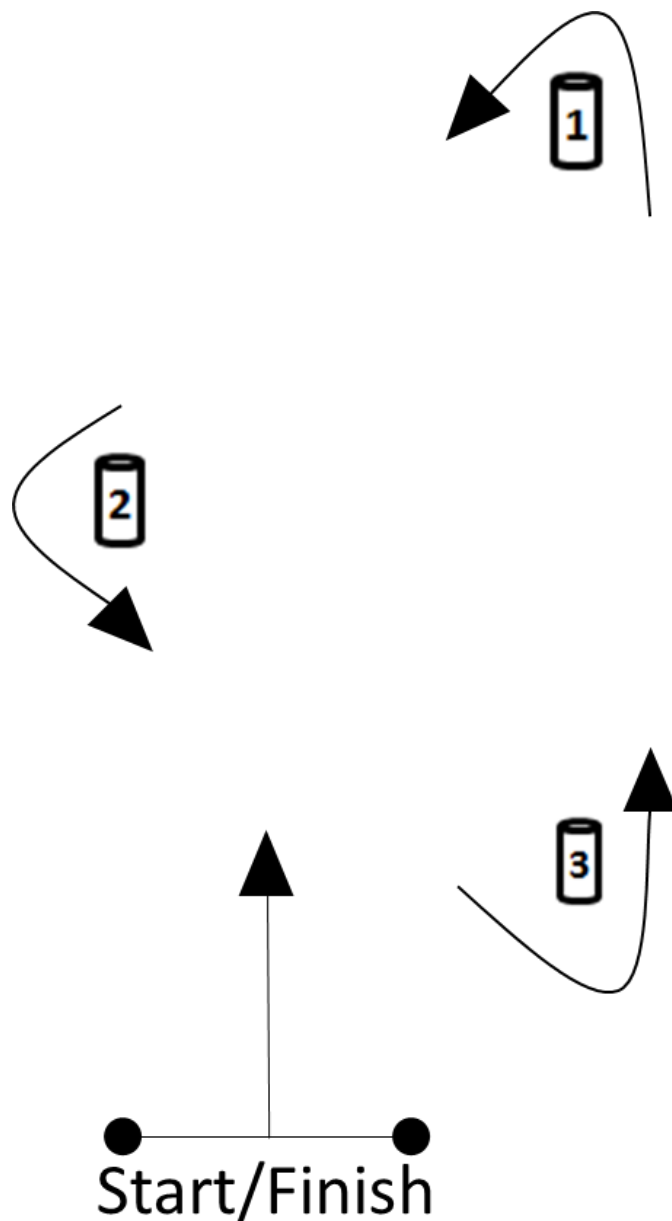
Course Diagrams

Diagram 1: Triangle (Races 2 & 4)

Course: (Port Rounding illustrated)

Division 1:

Start
to 1 to 2 to 3
to 1 to 3
to 1 to 2 to 3
to 1
to Finish



*Mark locations are approximate and arrows are indicative only

Diagram 2: Night Race & Passage Race

Mark Reference Table:

Mark	Description	Location*
A	Yellow Cylindrical Number 1	Vicinity of YMCA
B	Yellow Cylindrical Number 2	Deepwater near Sullivan's Creek
C	Yellow Cylindrical Number 4	Vicinity of Tarcoola Reach
D	Yellow Cylindrical Number 3	Vicinity of Lotus Bay
E	Green Cylindrical Number 4	Vicinity of Acton
Start	Orange Cylindrical	Near CYC Race tower
Finish	Black & White Cylindrical	Near CYC Race tower

Course: Night Race

Mark order and side mark is to be left while rounding indicated.

Division 1:

Start – Spinnaker Island (port) – A (port) – Spinnaker Island (port) – D (port) – E (port) – D (port) – E (port) - Finish

Course: Passage Race

Mark order and side mark is to be left while rounding indicated.

Division 1:

Start – C (Port) – A (port) – B (port) – A (port) – D (port) – A (port) – E (port) – A (port) - Finish

Map:



*Mark Locations are approximate only and may be adjusted due to weather and other factors