



SECTION 3

COMBINED CLUBS LONG RACE PENNANT SERIES

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

1. SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DAY	DATE	HOST CLUB	START	FINISH
Day 1	Saturday	14 Oct 2023	RYCT	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp
Day 2	Saturday	04 Nov 2023	DSS	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp
Day 3	Saturday	02 Dec 2023	BYC	Midriver	Finish Line 2 – Victoria Esp
Day 4	Saturday	03 Feb 2024	RYCT	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp
Day 5	Saturday	16 Mar 2024	DSS	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp

2. CREW DECLARATION

2.1. Crew Declaration

2.1.1. For each race a boat shall submit a Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before their 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. Emergency contact name and number.

2.1.3. Boats that do not comply with SI 2.1.1 and SI 2.1.2 (i, ii, iii) 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. All participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to Australian Sailing or hold a valid SailPass.

3. GROUPS

The Long Race Pennant 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 notice board and will be available from 16:00 on the Friday before the first race of the series.

4. FIRST WARNING SIGNAL TIMES & GROUP IDENTIFIERS

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

GROUP	WARNING SIGNAL	STARTING 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

5. STARTING AREA, STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

5.1. STARTING LINE – Midriver Start

The Midriver starting line will be between an orange staff or orange flag on the Committee Boat and a yellow inflatable buoy.

The Committee Boat 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 starting line.

5.2. FINISHING LINE 1 – Castray Esplanade (Host Clubs DSS and RYCT)

Finishing 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. FINISHING LINE 2 – Victoria Esplanade (Host Club BYC)

Finishing 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 TIMES AND STATING 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

Individual and General Recalls may be 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 finish from the course side of the finishing line.

9. COURSE SIGNALS

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

9.2. 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 starting 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 Channel 81. Failure to advise will not be grounds for redress.

10. COURSES

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

NOTE: SI 9.2 allows for a windward mark to be laid as the first mark of the course. Refer SI 9 for details

01	Wedge Island Start → Wedge Island → Finishing line 1/2	48.4nm
02	Storm Bay Start → SB → Finishing line 1/2	33.0nm
03	Isle of Caves Start → the Isle of Caves (to Port) → Finishing line 1/2	50.6nm
04	Clifton Beach Start → CB → Finishing line 1/2	36.8nm
05	Betsey Island Start → Betsey Island → Finishing line 1/2	30.0nm
06	Betsey Island Start → Betsey Island (to Port) → Finishing line ½	30.0nm

07	Bligh Point → Channel Race Start → E (to Port) → Finishing line 1.	25.4nm
08	Green Island Start → Green Island → Finishing line 1/2	40.6nm
09	Seacroft Bay Start → S → Finishing line 1/2	19.4nm
10	Little Betsey Island Start → Little Betsey Island → Finishing line 1/2	28.4nm
11	Little Betsey Island & Yellow Bluff Start → Little Betsey Island → Y → Finishing line 1/2	33.6nm
12	Yellow Bluff Start → Y → Finishing line 1/2	28.7nm
13	Bull Bay Start → BB → Finishing line 1/2	24.8nm
14	Black Jack Rocks Start → Black Jack Rocks → Finishing line 1/2	29.0nm
15	Ralphs Bay & Piersons Point Start → R → K → Finishing line 1/2	21.5nm
16	Black Jack Rocks & Yellow Bluff Start → R → Black Jack Rocks → Y → Finishing line 1/2	35.2nm
17	Ralphs Bay & Black Jack Rocks Start → R → Black Jack Rocks → Finishing line 1/2	30.6nm
18	Blackmans Bay, Ralphs Bay & Blackmans Bay Start → Q (to Port) → R (to Port) → Q → Finishing line 1/2	24.2nm
19	Seacroft Bay, Blackmans Bay & Seacroft Bay Start → S → Q → S (to Port) → Finishing line 1/2	27.4nm
20	Seacroft Bay & Blackmans Bay Start → S → Q → Finishing line 1/2	20.9nm
21	Variety Bay Start → V → Finishing line 1/2	38.6nm
22	Pigeon Holes & Blackmans Bay Start → PH → Q → Finishing line 1/2	16.9nm
23	White Rock - John Garrow - White Rock Start → WR → G → WR → Finishing line ½	18.7nm

24	Ralphs Bay - John Garrow - Ralphs Bay Start → R → G → R → Finishing line 1/2	16.6nm
25	Pigeon Holes - John Garrow - White Rock Start → PH → G → WR → Finishing line 1/2	22.2nm
26	Storm Bay – Seacroft Bay – Storm Bay Start → SB → S → SB → Finishing line 1/2	46.4nm
27	Bull Bay (to Port) → Black Jack Rocks (to Port) → Finishing line 1/2 Start → BB → Black Jack Rocks → Finishing line 1/2	31nm

11. MARKS - 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 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 the finishing line 1 & 2.
PH	Yellow inflatable buoy 0.6 nm WNW of The Pigeon Holes (~43 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 (~43 05.6'S 147 31.95'E).
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 Pennant Series will be sailed on the River Derwent, D'Entrecasteaux Channel, Frederick Henry Bay and Storm Bay and will be Category 5 plus a permanently installed VHF transceiver in accordance with NoR 2.3 and carry a handheld VHF Radio in the cockpit in accordance with NoR 16.2.
- 12.2. In all cases AS SR Section 5, 5.01.1 (j) (on a boat without lifelines complying with 3.12, a lifejacket complying with 5.01.1(i), shall be worn by each member of the crew while on deck) shall apply.

- 12.3. In accordance with NoR 16.7 if a crew dispensation is granted by the Race Committee then each crew member shall wear a suitable lifejacket whilst racing.

13. HANDICAPS

- 13.1. Competitors in the Long Race Pennant Series will have a PHS handicap. The Handicap Committee will set the handicaps before the first race of the series and these may be adjusted after each race. The Race Committee's choice of handicap is final and shall not be grounds for protest.
- 13.2. The Race Committee may, subject to minimum entry requirements in SI 17.3 provide an IRC and/or an ORC result.
- 13.3. Boats entering IRC must have a current valid endorsed IRC certificate.
- 13.4. Boats entering ORCc must have a current, valid audited ORCc certificate or a current, valid ORCi certificate. The Single Number Scoring Option, All Purpose (AP) Time on Time will be used for scoring.

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. Results will be published on each club's website as soon as possible after a race.
- 14.2. Races will be scored based on PHS handicaps and/or IRC and ORC ratings.

15. SCORING

15.1. MINIMUM NUMBER OF RACES

- 15.1.1. 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 five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15.3. Boats wishing to compete in World Sailing or Australian Sailing sanctioned World and or National Championships during the Combined Clubs Sailing Season 2023-24 may apply to the Combined Clubs Committee to be awarded average points for a nominated race in the Long Race Pennant 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

Protests must be lodged at the RYCT, BYC or DSS within two (2) 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 Protest Committee.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1. A Pennant will be awarded to the first boat in each Long Race Pennant Group.

17.2. Additional prizes may be awarded but the OA reserve the right to vary the number of prizes based on the number of entries as follows:

Five (5) entries 1st prize

Six (6) to nine (9) entries 1st & 2nd prizes

Ten (10) or more entries 1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes

17.3. A minimum of five (5) entries are required to constitute a Group.

17.4. Individual race day prizes may be awarded by the Host Club after the race.

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

20. RETIREMENTS

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

21. RADIO INSTRUCTIONS

21.1. All competitors shall maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 81 for announcements by the Race Committee. Competitors should also monitor VHF Channel 16 at all times.

21.2. 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



