



TASMANIA



RYCT WOMEN'S SKIPPER WINTER SERIES

The following Sailing Instructions, in addition to those detailed in Section 1, are applicable to all Groups in the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania Winter Series.

1. SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DAY	DATE	START	FIRST WARNING SIGNAL
Day 1	Sunday	01 June 2025	Midriver	09:35
Day 2	Sunday	29 June 2025	Midriver	09:35
Day 3	Sunday	20 July 2025	Midriver	09:35
Day 4	Sunday	10 August 2025	Midriver	09:35

2. CREW DECLARATION

2.1. Crew Declaration.

2.1.1. For each race a boat shall submit a Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before its group race 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; and

2.1.3. Australian Sailing Number in accordance with SI 2.2 Boats that do not comply with SI 2.1.1 and SI 2.1.2 will be scored DSQ without a hearing for the relevant race. This changes A5.1 RRS.

2.2. All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46 as amended by AS. From all participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to Australian Sailing or hold a valid SailPass.

3. GROUPS

3.1. The RYCT Winter Series will be conducted in allocated groups. The Race Committee will allocate boats according to size, known performance and TCF handicaps.

3.2. Non spinnaker entrants May be allocated to a cruising group.

3.3. The composition of each group will be displayed on the club's noticeboard and be available from 16:00 on the Friday before the first race of the series.

4. FIRST WARNING SIGNAL TIMES & GROUP IDENTIFIERS

GROUP	WARNING SIGNAL	START TIME	GROUP NUMERAL
Group 1	09:35	09:40	1
Group 2	09:40	09:45	2
Group 3	09:45	09:50	3

5. STARTING AREA, START AND FINISH LINES

5.1. START LINE – MID-RIVER START

The Mid-River Start Line will be between an Orange staff or Orange flag on the Committee Boat and a Yellow inflatable buoy.

The Committee Boat which 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 14 if competitors require directions to the Start Line.

5.2. FINISH LINE – MID-RIVER FINISH

The Finish Line will be between staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee boat and a Yellow inflatable buoy.

6. STARTING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1. After each start there may be a 30 second time lag in the displaying of the new Group Identifier and 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 14.

6.3. Note: Boats should not transmit on VHF Channel 14 whilst a starting sequence is in progress except in an emergency.

7. RECALLS

7.1. Individual and General Recalls may be announced on VHF Channel 14. Failure to announce individual recalls by VHF 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 Race Committee boat. 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. Shortening will only take place at the end of a lap as boats pass through the finishing line as required in the course description. This changes RRS 32.

9. COURSE SIGNALS

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

10. COURSES

10.1. Boats shall not sail through the Finish Line (LINE) except when required to do so by any of the following courses. A breach of this sailing Instruction shall be scored "Disqualified" (DSQ) without hearing. This changes Combined Clubs Section 1 – Sailing Instructions & Safety Requirements 7.

10.2. The bearing and approximate distance (in nautical miles) to the first mark may be indicated at or before the warning signal.

MARKS TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT

Courses– marks to be rounded to and left to port

1 Start → 1 → 2 → 3 → LINE → 1 → 3 → LINE → 1 → 3 → Finish

2 Start → 1 → 3 → LINE → 1 → 3 → LINE → 1 → 3 → Finish

11. MARKS – RACES

1 Orange inflatable buoy laid to windward of the starting/finishing line.

2 Orange inflatable buoy laid approximately 45 degrees to a line between marks 1 & 3.

3 Orange inflatable buoy to leeward of the starting/finishing line.

12. RACE AREA AND SAFETY CATEGORIES

- 12.1. The Winter Series will be sailed on the River Derwent and will be Category 7. 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.

13. HANDICAPS

- 13.1. Competitors in the Winter Series will have a PHS handicap. The Race Committee will set the handicaps before the first race of the series, and these may be adjusted after each race. The Race Committee may, subject to minimum entry requirements as per the NOR, permit an IRC and/or an ORC-AP result. The Race Committee's choice of handicap is final and shall not be grounds for protest.

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.
- 14.2. The only recognised official results will be those posted on the official notice board and are subject to protest or request for redress. Any times or results, given verbally or displayed elsewhere or faxed to other clubs or published in a newspaper or electronically on a website or similar are for information only and may be subject to correction. The results are therefore not official and shall not be subject to protest or request for redress. Where possible results may be published on each club's website as soon as possible after a race.
- 14.3. Races will be scored based on PHS handicaps and/or IRC and ORC-AP ratings.

15. SCORING

- 15.1. Races shall be scored based on handicap or rating system.
- 15.2. Minimum Number of Races:
- 15.2.1. Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2.2. SERIES SCORE: When fewer than Four (4) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.2.3. When Four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16. PROTESTS

- 16.1. Protests must be lodged at the RYCT within two 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 Race Protest Committee.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1. Trophies will be awarded to the first boat in each Winter Series Group.
- 17.2. Additional trophies may be awarded but the organisers reserve the right to vary the number of trophies awarded based on the number of entries:
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| Five entries | 1st prize |
| Six to nine entries | 1st and 2nd prizes |
| Ten or more entries | 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes |
- 17.3. A minimum of three (3) entries are required to constitute a group.
- 17.4. Individual race day prizes may be awarded.

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 will be 12:30. Boats that have not then finished will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF) without a hearing.
- 19.2. This changes Rule 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

20. NUMBER OF CREW

- 20.1. All boats are to carry a sufficient number of crew as per NOR 2.4.

21. RETIREMENTS

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

22. RADIO INSTRUCTIONS

- 22.1. All competitors shall maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 14 for all Groups, for announcements by the Race Committee. Competitors should also monitor VHF Channel 16 at all times.
- 22.2. The Race Committee may broadcast the course to be sailed, names/sail numbers of OCS boats and/or other information of interest to competitors.

WINTER SERIES COURSE CARD

COURSES 1 – 2



Start/Finish

