



Boat racing and PoB sign on

Boat sign off

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2021 Winter Series

Race Four 4th July 2021

The race will be organised and conducted by the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron on behalf of the Classic Yacht Association of Australia

Vic Port Corp AEA 33-2021 applies to this event

The Organising Authority for Race Four of the 2021 Winter Series is the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Australian Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2021-2024).
- 1.2 Special regulations in accordance with Australian Sailing Special Regulations.
- 1.3 Individual class and rating rules as appropriate
- 1.4 COVID 19 restrictions apply. The Services Victoria QR code of boats home club is to be used by all personal on each boat
- 1.5 RRS Appendix T shall apply.
- 1.6 Requirements of the [Victoria Ports Corporation Melbourne \(VPCM\) regulations](#), May 2019. Skippers shall at all times abide by the VPCM Regulations covering the navigation of small craft and yachts and the directions of race officials patrolling the shipping channels.
- 1.7 Any boat subject of a complaint by a Ship's Master for any reason whatsoever may be disqualified.
- 1.8 Australia Sailing Category 6 shall apply. AS Safety Category 7 yachts may be accepted with the express permission of the organising authority.
- 1.9 Boats shall have lodged an appropriate 2020/2021 racing season Safety Compliance Declaration with their home club prior to the 2021 Winter Series
- 1.10 Crews on yachts without lifelines must wear PFD1 – Failure to do so will result in boats being scored DSQ.
- 1.11 **RRS Rule 44.1 is changed so that the two turns penalty is replaced by the one turn penalty. Attention is drawn to RRS4, Decision to Race: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."**

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 any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2 Changes to a Sailing Instruction may be made on the water by use of VHF Channel 72
- 2.3 They may also be posted on the RMYS website. Nominated boat representatives may be notified by SMS.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted to entrants via email and will be posted on the RMYS official notice boards and the [CYAA website](#).
- 3.2 The race office is located at RMYS Club House, phone number 9534 0227 email [RMYS Regatta Office](#)
- 3.3 The RMYS race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF 72.
- 3.4 [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.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the RMYS Race Committee Tower.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, 1 minute is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

	Sunday 4th July		Note: Using the assigned QR code, skippers of each competing boat in Race Four to send Boat racing and PoB SMS to RMYS Race Officer prior to 1015 hours.
y	Start Time 1030 hrs	Number of Races 1	

7 RACE POSTPONED PROCEDURE

7.1 In the event of a race start postponement, boats will be notified by [RMYS Tower light signals](#). Boats may also be notified on VHF channel 72 or by SMS sent to boat skippers.

8 CLASS FLAGS

8.1 A class flag for this event will be replaced by the [RMYS Tower light signals](#).

9 RACING AREA

9.1 The racing area for Race Four is the northern waters of Port Phillip in the vicinity of the St. Kilda Breakwater.

10 THE COURSES

10.1 RMYS Courses will be used for Race 1 of the 2021 Winter Series. Description of the [RMYS Squadron courses 56 -93 is available for download at this link](#), A Copy is attached to page 4 of these instructions.

11 MARKS

11.1 [Location of RMYS marks](#) can be downloaded from this link. Details are also included in the RMYS Sailing Instruction Booklet Version 6. 2018 -2020.

11.2 RMYS Mark H is not part of the starting or finishing procedure for any course allocated for CYAA races.

12 OBSTRUCTIONS

12.1 St. Kilda Breakwater and RMYS Mark H.

13 THE START

13.1 [RMYS Tower Starting procedure for combined divisions using lights](#) in lieu of flags will be used for this event.

13.2 The Tower Start line is a line between the vertical line on the centre of the western face of the breakwater race tower and mark A.

13.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A5.

14 RECALLS

14.1 Individual recall and general recall shall be signalled in accordance with [RMYS Tower light signals procedures](#).

15 SHORTENING or ABANDONING RACE AFTER START

15.1 RMYS race committee may be shorten or abandon Race Four in accordance with RRS.

16 THE FINISH

16.1 The finishing line for Race Four will be a line between the vertical line on centre of the western face of the breakwater race tower and mark A.

16.2 [DP] A boat no longer racing shall promptly clear the finish area and not interfere with another boat that is racing.

17 SIGNING ON

17.1 All boats shall report their intention to start the race.

17.2 Boats must use the allocated QR Code for Race Four to indicate their intention to start and the number of Persons on Board. (POB).

17.3 Boats not indication their intention to start by 1015 hrs. to start will be deemed not starting

17.4 All crew of each boat must use the Services Victoria QR code of the boats home club for Race Four to register their personal contact details before their boat departs from its home club.

17.5 A boat that retires from Race Four shall notify the RMYS race committee at the first reasonable opportunity by VHF Channel 72.

18 PENALTY SYSTEM

18.1 For all boats competing in Race Four of the 2021 Winter Series Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn penalty. This alters RRS 44.1

19 TIME LIMITS

19.1 The duration limit for Race Four will be 150 minutes from the actual race start time. All boats crossing the finish line after this time will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 A4 and A5.

20 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

20.1 Protests or Requests for redress shall be notified to a Race Official within two hours of the protesting yacht's finishing time and lodged in writing on the proscribed form.

20.2 Protests and request for redress will be heard at RMYS, Pier Road, St Kilda 3182 at a time set by RMYS.

20.3 The protest committee will consist of two members of the organising club and one member the Classic Yacht Association of Australia.

21 SCORING

21.1 The scoring system is the "Low Point System" with modifications in accordance with the Notice of Race.

21.2 Series Aggregate Points will be allocated using the best corrected time score for 7 races in this 9 race Winter series.

22 SAFETY

22.1 The race will start and continue at the Race Directors discretion. Upper wind limit for classic yacht racing is a sustained wind strength of 25 knots for two minutes.

22.2 A boat that retires from a race is requested to notify the race committee as soon as possible on VHF Channel 72

23 OFFICIAL BOATS

23.1 The official RMYS Race Committee vessel will display the RMYS burgee.

24 RADIO COMMUNICATION

24.1 Race communication will be via VHF Channel 72. Competing yachts must maintain a listening watch at all times whilst preparing to race and afloat.

24.2 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

25.1 Competitors participate in 2021 Winter Series Race Four racing entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." 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.

26 INSURANCE

26.1 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.

27 FURTHER INFORMATION

CYAA Handicapper
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[FYI Basic Sailing Rules](#)



