

SECTION 2

COMBINED CLUBS HARBOUR PENNANT SERIES

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

1. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 1.1. Groups 1 will have up to two (2) races on each race day.
- 1.2. Groups 2 and 3 will have one (1) race on each day.

RACE	DAY	DATE	HOST CLUB	START/FINISH
Day 1	Saturday	21 Oct 2023	BYC	Midriver
Day 2	Saturday	18 Nov 2023	RYCT	Midriver
Day 3	Saturday	20 Jan 2024	BYC	Midriver
Day 4	Saturday	17 Feb 2024	DSS	Midriver
Day 5	Saturday	23 Mar 2024	RYCT	Midriver

2. CREW DECLARATION

- 2.1. Crew Declaration
 - 2.1.1. For each race a boat shall submit a Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before its 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 contact 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

3.1. The Harbour 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 be available from 16:00 on the Friday before the first race of the series.

4. FIRST WARNING SIGNAL TIMES & GROUP IDENTIFIERS

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

GROUP	WARNING SIGNAL	STARTING TIME	GROUP NUMERAL
Group 1	13:25	13:30	1
Group 2	13:30	13:35	2
Group 3	13:35	13:40	3
Group 4	13:40	13:45	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 14 if competitors require directions to the starting line.

5.2. MIDRIVER FINISHING LINE – Courses 01 to 04

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee boat and a black and white chequered buoy.

5.3. CASTRAY ESPLANADE FINISHING LINE 1 – Courses 05 to 19 (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.

5.4. VICTORIA ESPLANADE FINISHING LINE 2 – Courses 05 to 19 (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 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 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 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 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 Race Committee Boat or on the Castray Esplanade Box or Victoria Esplanade 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.
- 8.3. If a course is shortened for boats sailing courses 01 to 04 then mark 3 will not have a required side when approaching the finishing line to finish.

9. COURSE SIGNALS

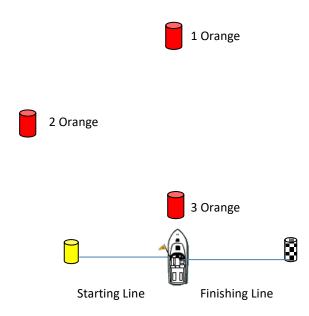
- 9.1. Courses will be indicated by course boards displayed on the Race Committee Boat.
- 9.2. A windward laid mark may be laid as the first mark of the course after the start. This mark will be an orange inflatable buoy and if deployed will be laid approximately to windward at a distance of approximately 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 14. Failure to advise will not be grounds for redress.

10. COURSES

Laid mark courses – Refer Diagram Below

COURSES 01 - 04 - MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT

COUR	SE	APPROX. DISTANCE NM
01	$Start \to 1 \to 2 \to 3 \to 1 \to 3 \to 1 \to Finish$	Variable
02	Start \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow Finish	Variable
03	Start \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow Finish	Variable
04	Start \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow Finish	Variable



Change of the next leg of the course.

To change the next leg of a course, in courses 01 to 04, a new mark as described below will be laid and the original mark will be removed as soon as practicable.

The new mark for Mark 1 will be a yellow mark with a black band.

In a subsequent change of course the new mark will be replaced with the original mark.

10.1. Fixed and laid mark courses – refer course cards. 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.

COURSES 05-16 - SHALL BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT

05	Start $\rightarrow A \rightarrow C \rightarrow H \rightarrow C \rightarrow$ Finishing line 1/2	16.3
06	Start $\rightarrow A \rightarrow G \rightarrow H \rightarrow G \rightarrow$ Finishing line 1/2	12.5
07	Start $\rightarrow P \rightarrow H \rightarrow A \rightarrow P \rightarrow$ Finishing line 1/2	10.3
08	Start \rightarrow T \rightarrow H \rightarrow A \rightarrow T \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	14.3
09	Start \rightarrow T \rightarrow H \rightarrow A \rightarrow P \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	12.5
10	Start \rightarrow C \rightarrow H \rightarrow C \rightarrow P \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	13.8
11	Start \rightarrow W \rightarrow A \rightarrow T \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	16.5
12	Start \rightarrow W \rightarrow A \rightarrow P \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	17.0
13	Start \rightarrow ZC \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZC \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	16.8
14	Start $\rightarrow Q \rightarrow A \rightarrow G \rightarrow$ Finishing line 1/2	20.1
15	Start \rightarrow C \rightarrow A \rightarrow C \rightarrow A \rightarrow G \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	16.3
16	Start \rightarrow ZC \rightarrow R \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	12.0

COURSES 17 - 19 - SHALL BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO STARBOARD

17	Start \rightarrow R \rightarrow ZC \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	12.0
18	Start \rightarrow H \rightarrow T \rightarrow C \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	09.0
19	Start \rightarrow PH \rightarrow A \rightarrow G \rightarrow Finishing line 1/2	19.0

MARKS - POSITIONS, BEARING AND DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY

- A Yellow with red band inflatable buoy on a line between Victoria Esplanade and Castray Esplanade indicate the outer end of finishing lines 1 & 2.
- C Yellow inflatable buoy approximately 0.5 nm E of Cartwright Point. The buoy may be moved within 0.5 nm circle from that position.
- G Orange inflatable buoy with a black band 0.3nm E of John Garrow Light. The buoy may be moved within0.3 nm circle from that position.
- H Orange permanent float mark 0.25nm SW of Howrah Point.
- P Orange permanent float mark 0.5nm SW of Punch's Reef.
- PH Yellow inflatable buoy 0.6nm WNW of The Pigeon Holes. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.
- Q Orange inflatable buoy 0.3nm E of the northern end of Blackmans Bay. The buoy may be moved within0.3 nm circle from that position.
- R Yellow inflatable buoy in Ralphs Bay on a line NE of Gellibrand Point. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.
- T Orange permanent float mark 0.4nm SW of Tranmere Point.
- W Yellow inflatable buoy 0.4nm NNE of Gellibrand Point. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.
- ZC Yellow inflatable buoy 0.4nm SE of Crayfish Point. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.

11. RACE AREA AND SAFETY CATEGORIES

The Harbour Pennant 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.

12. HANDICAPS

- 12.1. Competitors in the Harbour 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.
- 12.2. The Race Committee may, subject to minimum entry requirements as per SI 17.3, provide an IRC and/or an ORC result.

- 12.3. Boats entering IRC must have a current valid endorsed IRC certificate.
- 12.4. 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.

13. RESULTS

- 13.1. 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.
- 13.2. Races will be scored based on PHS handicaps and/or IRC and ORC ratings.

14. SCORING

- 14.1. MINIMUM NUMBER OF RACES
 - 14.1.1. Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2. SERIES SCORE Groups 1
 - 14.2.1. When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 14.2.2. When six (6) or seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 14.2.3. When eight (8) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her two (2) worst scores.
- 14.3. SERIES SCORE Groups 2 & 3
 - 14.3.1. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 14.3.2. When five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 14.4. 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 Harbour 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).

15. PROTESTS

15.1. 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.

16. PRIZES

16.1. A Pennant will be awarded to the first boat in each Harbour Pennant Series Group.

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

Five (5) entries	1st prize
Six (6) to nine (9) entries	1st and 2nd prizes
Ten (10) or more entries	1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes

- 16.3. A minimum of five (5) entries are required to constitute a Group.
- 16.4. Individual race day prizes may be awarded by the Host Club after the race.

17. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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.

18. TIME LIMITS

The time limit will 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.

19. NUMBER OF CREW

All boats are to carry a sufficient number of crew as per NoR 2.4.

RETIREMENTS 20.

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 14 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 2 RACE COURSE CARD

