



# Queensland Yachting Championship

Incorporating the IRC & Trailerable Boat Championships

19 – 20 September 2020

## Sailing Instructions

**Amendment 1 posted 17/09/2020**

Australian Sailing Event | Organising Authority: Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron

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### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing Inc. (AS) – Category 5 shall apply.
- 1.3 Where lifelines complying with AS SR Part 1 Section 3 Rule 3.12 have not been fitted, all crew while racing shall wear a visible personal floatation device as per AS SR Part 1 Section 5.
- 1.4 IRC Division:
  - (a) The current [IRC Rules](#) shall apply for boats competing in IRC Division.
  - (b) Boats competing in IRC shall submit a copy of their current IRC Certificate no later than 1200 hours on Thursday 17 September 2020.
- 1.5 These Sailing Instructions (SI) shall supersede the Notice of Race (NOR). If there is any conflict between the NOR and SI, the SI shall take precedence.

\*It is likely that a new version of the Racing Rules of Sailing will be published mid-season. In this event, the 2017 - 2020 RRS will still apply.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located online:  
<https://www.rqys.com.au/sailingnoticeboard/>

### 3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0900 hrs on the day it will take effect, except for any change to the schedule which shall be posted by 1800 hrs on the day before it will take effect. The Committee Vessel / Start Boat may signal changes by raising code flag L.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located on the RQYS boardwalk, near the VIP Docks.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 90 minutes' in race signal AP.

### 5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The schedule for the regatta shall be as per below:

Date	Event	Time / Warning Signal
Saturday 19 September 2020	First Warning Signal	1000 hours
	Welcome Functions at RQYS Bar	After Racing
Sunday 20 September 2020	First Warning Signal	1000 hours
	Presentation at RQYS Bar	After Racing

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- 5.2 The intention is to run two (2) races one day, three (3) races on the other.  
5.3 On the last day of racing, no warning signal shall be made after 1500 hours.

**6 CLASS FLAGS**

- 6.1 The class flag shall be as per the following:

Division	Class Flag Description
All boats	Numeral Pennant 1

**7 RACING AREAS**

- 7.1 Attachment 1 shows the location of the racing and starting areas for this regatta.

**8 COURSES**

- 8.1 Attachment 2 shows the Windward/Return Courses.  
8.2 Attachment 3 shows the Passage Courses.  
8.3 There are a mix of Windward/Return Courses and Passage Races scheduled for this regatta.

**9 MARKS**

- 9.1 The marks of the courses shall be described in Attachments 2 and 3.  
9.2 All laid marks shall be described as orange inflatable, despite their shape and size.  
9.3 The start/finish pins and "X" Mark / Laid Mark shall be orange inflatables.  
9.4 For passage races, when an "X" Mark is laid as the first mark of the course, whether it is to be rounded Port or Starboard shall be indicated from the back of the start boat.  
– The Use of an "X" Mark (a mark set at 90 degrees to the Start Line, usually upwind) is indicated by the flying of a Green or Red flag on the start boat, this flag indicates the rounding of the "X" Mark and shall be inserted in the Course Mark list in between the Start and the first mark of the course.  
9.5 For passage races, when a Laid Mark is used, the start boat (RC) shall advise over radio the location and description of the Laid Mark.  
9.6 For passage races, the start boat shall advise over radio the location of the Finish.  
9.7 The location of Mud Island Green (MIG) is 27 21396 S, 153 15358 E.  
9.8 The location of St Helena Red (SHR) is 27 23154 S, 153 15.199 E.  
9.9 The change mark shall be a purple inflatable.

**10 THE START**

- 10.1 The starting area for all races shall be located approx. 2nm East of Green Island Red Beacon.  
10.2 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start boat at the starboard end, and the port-end start pin which will be an orange inflatable mark.  
10.3 A boat starting later than 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing.  
The changes rule A4 & A5.

## **11 CHANGING OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the RC will replace the original mark with a change mark, as described in Attachment 2. To change this again, the RC will replace the change mark with the original mark, and so on.

## **12 THE FINISH**

- 12.1 The finish line shall be between a staff displaying an blue flag on the finish boat and the course side of the finish pin which shall be an orange inflatable.
- 12.2 The location of the finish boat shall be described in Attachment 2 and Attachment 3, except for Passage Race Option 2 where the finish area is to be advised by the RC over VHF Ch 77.

## **13 TIME LIMITS**

- 13.1 Windward/Return Races: The time limit for the first boat to finish is 90 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat in their division sails the course and finishes shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 13.2 Passage Races: The time limit for the first boat to finish is 4 hours after the starting signal on the day of the race. Boats failing to finish within 90 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1 Protest forms will be available at the race office located in the RQYS Marine Amenities Building (upstairs). Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2 The protest time limit for each division shall be **90** minutes after the last boat in the division has finished the last race of the day.
- 14.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 14.4 Hearings will be held in the protest room specified in the hearing notice.
- 14.5 Breaches of SI 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 shall not be grounds for protest by a competitor.
- 14.6 On the last day of racing, a request for reopening of a hearing shall be delivered:
- a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.

### **14.7 ARBITRATION**

- 14.7.1 Arbitration may be used in accordance with RRS Appendix "T".
- 14.7.2 The Arbitrator may be a member of any subsequent Protest Panel or may give evidence to the Protest Panel.

## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3 When up to three (3) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 15.4 When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, less her worst score.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 Competing boats shall sign-on with the RC via VHF Ch 77 before their first race of the day, by advising their boat name, Sail Number and POB (number of persons onboard).
- 16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible.

### **16.3 Crew List and COVID Safety**

- 16.3.1 For safety and COVID compliance boats shall be required to provide daily crew lists. COVID compliance and safe sailing guidance is posted on the Official Noticeboard.
- 16.3.2 The Race Committee will contact the primary contact of each boat via SMS between 0730hrs and 0830 hrs each race day. The SMS will contain a link that will prompt you to update your crew list.
- 16.3.3 Alternatively, crew lists can be updated daily using the form at Attachment 4. By no later than 0900, on each day of the event each boat shall send a completed crew list to the RQYS Regatta Office by email to: [sailing@rqys.com.au](mailto:sailing@rqys.com.au), or a photograph/scan by text to 0418180097.
- 16.3.4 Failure to provide a complete and accurate crew list prior to the start of each race may result in a score of DSQ without a hearing. Changes RRS63.1 & A5.

**17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 17.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

**18 OFFICIAL, SUPPORT AND SPECTATOR BOATS**

- 18.1 Official boats shall be marked with a white flag with the letters 'RC' in black.  
18.2 Support and Spectator boats shall stay outside the area/s where boats are racing, from the time of the preparatory signal of the first division to start, until all boats have finished or retired, or the RC signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

**19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

- 19.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

**20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

- 20.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

**21 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 21.1 The RC shall communicate to competing boats on VHF Ch 77.  
21.2 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.

**22 DIVISIONS AND PRIZES**

- 22.1 The divisions (also refer to for Class Flag divisions) will be:

- IRC
- All competitors will also be scored for:
- PHS

- 22.2 Prizes will be given as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> in IRC – Queensland IRC Champion
- 1<sup>st</sup> in PHS Monohull – Queensland Yachting Champion
- Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

**23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 23.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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.

**24 INSURANCE**

- 24.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000AUD per event or the equivalent.

**25 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 25.1 For further information please contact:  
RQYS Sailing Office on 07 3396 8666 or [sailing@rqys.com.au](mailto:sailing@rqys.com.au)



# ATTACHMENT 1

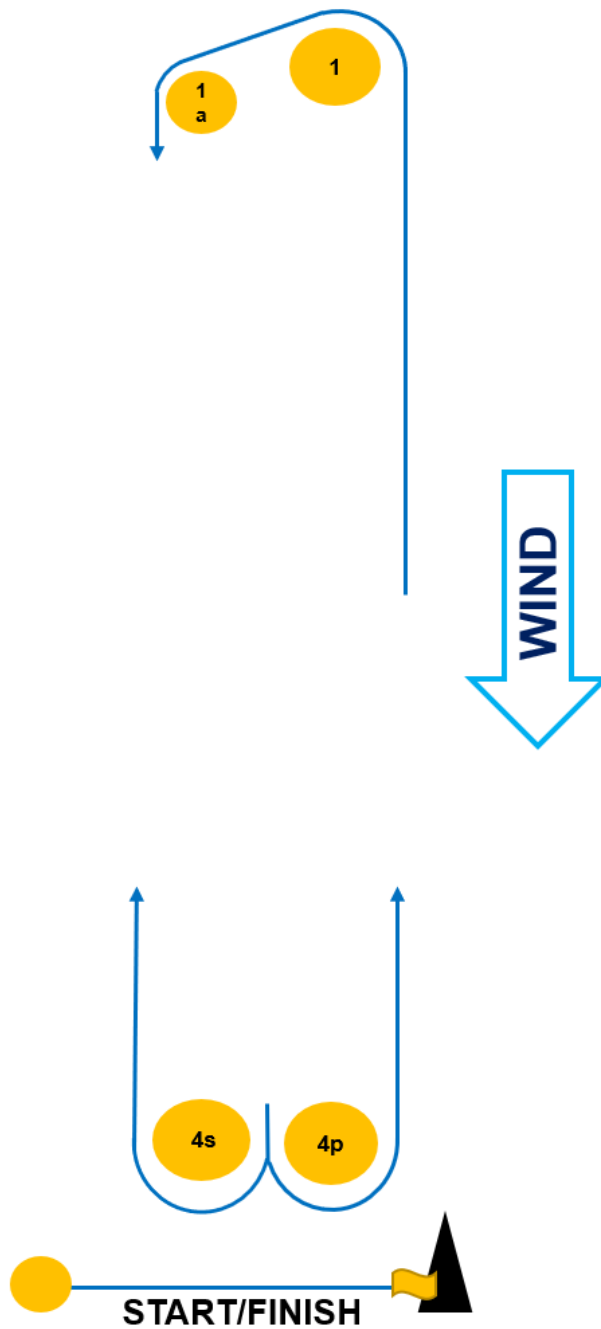
## RACING AREA



# ATTACHMENT 2

## Windward Return Courses

CODE	COURSE DESCRIPTION	MARKS
L1	Start – 1 – 1a – Finish	<b>Start &amp; Finish Pin, Marks 1, 1a, 4s &amp; 4p</b> Orange Inflatables  <b>Change Mark Purple Inflatable</b>
L2	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish	
L3	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish	



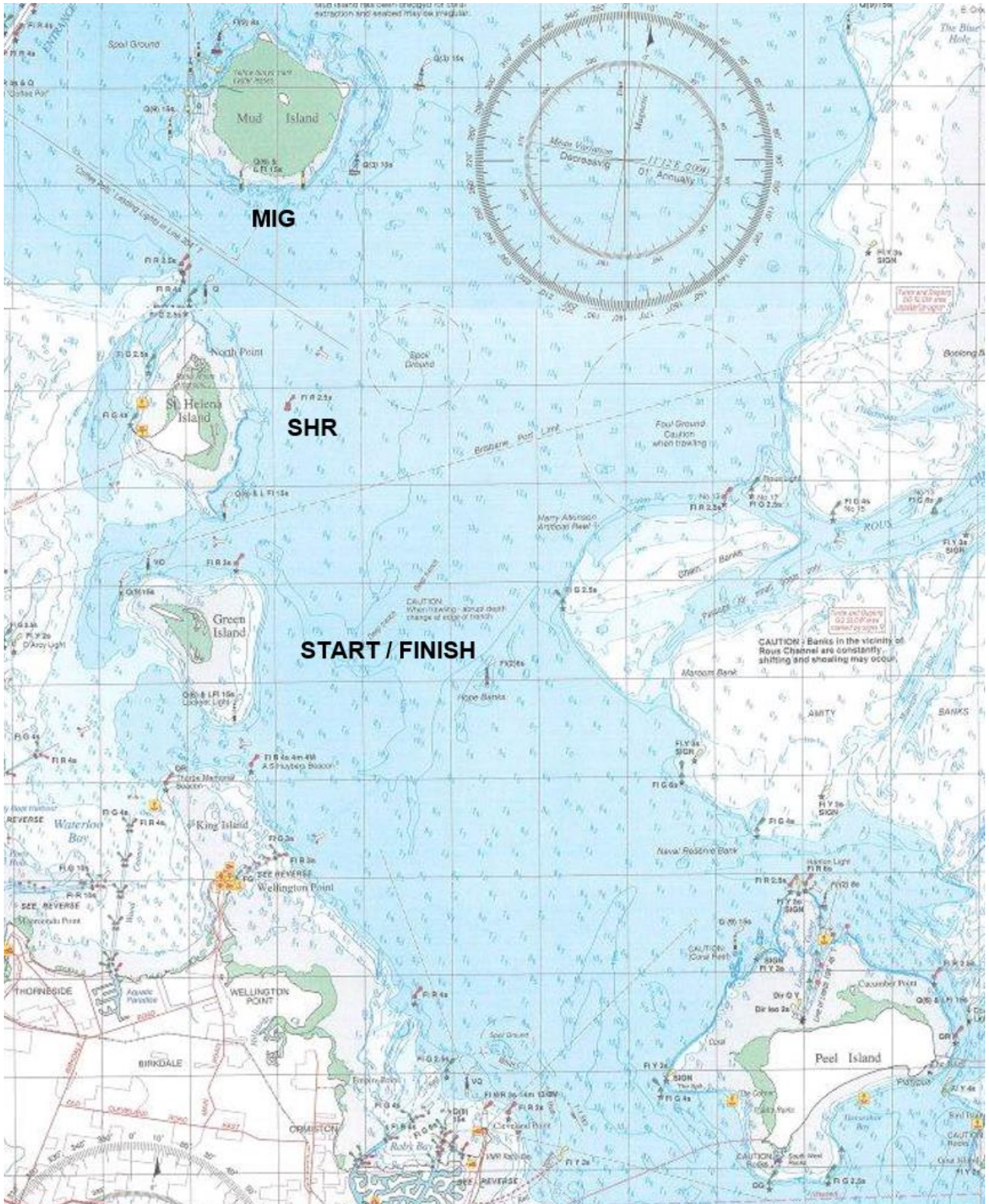


# ATTACHMENT 3

## Passage Courses

### Course 1

Start – X Mark – MIG (P) – SHR (P) – X Mark (reverse of first rounding) – Finish





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**Course 2**

Start – X Mark – MIG (P) – LM1 a/b (S) – Finish a/b

- LM1 = Laid Mark
- The RC to advise whether LM1 & Finish (a) or LM1 & Finish (b) to be used via VHC Ch 77

