



2021 Division Yachts Winter Series

Sunday 18th July 2021
Sunday 25th July 2021
Sunday 1st August 2021

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

Amendment 1

Organising Authority
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The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. All yachts shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1 – Category 5.
- 1.3. All skippers shall comply with the Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994 and Regulation. In the event of a reportable Marine Incident the RQYS Sailing Office is to be notified as soon as is practical; but no later than 1 hour after the incident, a copy of the Marine Incident Report is required to be lodged with the RQYS Sailing Office at the same time it is lodged with Maritime Safety Queensland.
- 1.4. Where lifelines complying with AS SR Part 1 Section 3 Rule 3.12 have not been fitted, all crew shall wear a visible personal floatation device as per AS SR Part 1 Section 5.
- 1.5. All boats using outboard engines shall comply with AS SR Part 1 Section 3 Rule 3.24.4.
- 1.6. The current IRC/SMS/OMR rules shall apply to those yachts sailing under those measurement rules.
- 1.7. All skippers shall supply the Sailing Office with a valid AS Category 5 Safety Equipment Audit (Category 1, 2, 3 & 4 forms will also be accepted) which has been endorsed by a certified auditor.
- 1.8. Competitors must comply with Qld Government COVID-19 contact tracing via the electronic app “Check in Qld”.

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 that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at <https://www.rqys.com.au/sailingnoticeboard/> .
- 3.2. The race office is located at The RQYS Sailing Office located adjacent to Rigging Lawn 2, telephone 3396 8666, email sailing@rqys.com.au .
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 72.
- 3.4. [DP] [NP] 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] [NP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE
 - 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flag pole located at the top of the Eastern Gangway of the Bill Kirby Docks.
 - 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 60 minutes’ in Race Signals AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Date	Event	First Warning Signal / Time
Sunday 18th July 2021	MCC - Christmas in July Race (Series Race 7)	As laid out in the MCC Series – 2021 SI HERE
Sunday 25th July 2021	Around the cans Race 1 Race 2 Race 3	1100 hours After Race 1 After Race 2
Sunday 1st August 2021	MCC	As laid out in the MCC Series – 2021 SI HERE

5.1. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

5.2. For Around The Cans racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.

6. DIVISION FLAGS

6.1.

Division	Flag
Performance 1	Numeral Pennant 1
Performance 2	Numeral Pennant 2
Trailer Sailors	Numeral Pennant 3
Multihulls	Numeral Pennant 4

7. RACING AREA

8.1 SI Attachment A shows the location of the racing area.

8. COURSES

8.1. The courses to be sailed on the 18th July & 1st August 2021 shall be as per the course descriptions published at manlycombinedclubs.com

8.2. The Course to be sailed on the 25th July, Around The Cans are planned to be as described in SI Attachment B.

8.3. Around the Cans: The RC shall signal the course to be sailed as per RRS 27.1.

8.4. Around the Cans: Performance Division 1 & Multihulls shall sail SI Attachment B “L Code courses”

8.5. Around the Cans: Performance Division 2 & Trailer Sailors shall sail SI Attachment B “LA Code courses”

9. MARKS

9.1. Marks for around the cans (25th July 2021) are as described in SI Attachment B.

10. THE START

10.1. The MCC passage races (18th July & 1st August 2021) shall be as per [MCC Sailing Instructions](#)

10.2. The Around the Cans (25th July 2021) shall be started as follows:

10.2.1. The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

10.2.2. A boat that does not start within 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1. During Around the Cans: To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.

12. THE FINISH

12.1. The finish line shall be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finish boat and the course side of the finish pin.

12.2. If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she shall report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14. TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

14.1. Around the Cans: The time limit for the first boat to finish is 90 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 30 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.

14.2. MCC Passage Race: The time limit for races will normally be 1700 hours, but the race officer may at their discretion extend this time by making an announcement to the fleet on Ch 72.

14.3. MCC Passage Race : Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored DNF without a hearing This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15. HEARING REQUESTS

15.1. MCC Passage Race: [See 2021 MCC SI](#)

15.2. Around the Cans:

15.2.1. For each division protest time limit is 120 minutes after the last boat in that division finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

15.2.2. Hearing request forms are available from the sailing office (up stairs) or the RQYS Website: <https://www.rqys.com.au/regatta-club-racing-documents-auditors/> .

15.2.3. 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. Hearings will be held in the protest room specified in the hearing notice.

16. SCORING

16.1. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

16.2. PHS Handicaps shall be decided by the RQYS Handicapping Committee. Some handicaps may be manually adjusted mid-series.

IRC ratings shall be as per the online TCC Listings [available here](#) unless a certificate is provided to prove otherwise.

17. [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee on VHF Channel 72 as soon as possible.

17.2. Unless in use, no part of the anchor may project forward of the bow at any time whilst racing.

17.3. Boats shall sign-on and receive acknowledgement prior to competing in each race on VHF Channel 72 with the Start Boat.

18. [NP] EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 18.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

19. [NP] OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 19.1. Official vessels will be identified by displaying a white flag with letter 'RC' in black.

20. [DP] [NP] SUPPORT TEAMS

- 20.1. 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 postponements, general recall or abandonment.

21. RACE CANCELLATION

- 21.1. Racing shall not occur if there is a gale or stronger wind warning issued for the day of racing.
- 21.2. For Around the Cans: Any decision to race, postpone or abandon will be made by the RQYS Sailing Committee after consultation with the Race Officer.
- 21.3. A decision to race on any given day does not relieve any competitor of his/her obligation under RRS 3, Decision to race.

22. PRIZES

- 22.1. Prizes will be given as follows

IRC Div 1 – 1st, 2nd & 3rd

IRC Div 2 – 1st, 2nd & 3rd

Performance Div 1 – 1st, 2nd & 3rd

Performance Div 2 – 1st, 2nd & 3rd

Trailer Sailor – 1st, 2nd & 3rd

Multihulls – 1st, 2nd & 3rd

23. RISK STATEMENT

- 23.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

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 incident or the equivalent.

SI Attachment B

CODE	COURSE	MARKS DESCRIPTION
L1	Start – 1 – Finish	Mark 1: Purple (ADD) Orange Inflatable
L2	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – Finish	Mark 1a: Yellow Inflatable
L3	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – Finish	Marks 2s, 2p and Start/Finish Pin: Orange Teardrop (ADD) Inflatable (ADD)Start/Finish Pin: Orange Teardrop
LA1	Start – 1a – Finish	Change Mark: Black and White Cylinder
LA2	Start - 1a – 2s/2p – 1a – Finish	
LA3	Start – 1a 2s/2p – 1a – 2s/2p – 1a – Finish	

