



Brisbane Women's Keelboat Cup

9th & 10th March 2024

Organising Authority – Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron, Brisbane, Australia

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

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).

The notation '[DP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a protest committee can award a penalty less than disqualification (including no penalty) at their discretion. This changes Rule 64.2

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Australian Sailing prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 1 Category 6 apply.
- 1.3 The IRC 2023 Rule shall apply.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix T shall apply.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 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 Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron, Telephone 33968666, 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 or 77.
 - 3.3 (a) The VHF Channel to be used on a given day will be confirmed at briefing.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 [DP] [NP] Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment or place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flag pole located at the top of the Eastern Gangway of the Bill Kirby Docks.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signals AP.



6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

Date	Races	Time or First Warning Signal
Saturday 9 th March	Briefing (Auditorium)	0830
	Long Passage Race	Not before 1055
Sunday 10 th March	Briefing (Auditorium)	0800
	3 Round the Cans Races	Not before 1025

6.2 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.

6.3 Format of racing may be subject to change depending on weather conditions, any changes will be confirmed at morning briefing.

6.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500 hrs.

7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1

Division	Class Flag
Division 1	Numeral pennant 1

8. RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area is Moreton Bay south of the shipping channel and north of Banana Banks.

9. COURSES

9.1 The diagram in SI Attachment A shows the windward-leeward and triangle courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 The course for the passage race will be from the [Manly Course Book](#).

9.3 No later than the warning signal, the course will be displayed by the signal vessel. A courtesy call may be made on VHF as per SI 3.3.

9.4 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

10. MARKS

10.1 The marks for the round the cans course are described in SI Attachment A

10.2 Designated fixed marks are described in the [Manly Course Book](#).

10.3 Laid marks for Passage Races shall be an orange inflatable mark.

10.4 The start and finish marks for the passage race will be orange teardrop buoy.

11. THE START

11.1 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.

11.2 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.



12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 When Mark 1 has been replaced, Mark 1a is no longer a mark of the course. It will be removed as soon as practicable. this changes RRS 33.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finish vessel at the port end and the course side of the starboard end finishing mark.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 For all boats, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 15.1 For the passage race the time limit is five (5) hours after the starting signal. Boats failing to finish within the time limit shall be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 15.2 For round the cans races the Target Time, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Target Time	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
60 minutes	90 minutes	15 minutes

- 15.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 15.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

16. HEARING REQUESTS

- 16.1 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat 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.
- 16.2 Hearing request forms are available from [here](#) or from the Race Office.
- 16.3 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, at the date, time and location posted.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2 A boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.3 IRC race results will be calculated by the application of the IRC Time Corrector (TCC), as printed on each boat's IRC Certificate, as a multiplier of the boat's elapsed time.
- 17.4 PHS handicaps will be allocated by the "SailSys" system and be available after 1800 Friday 8th March 2024.
- 17.5 For further information regarding Handicaps and scoring: <https://www.sailsys.com.au>
- 17.6 PHS results will be calculated by the application of the PHS Time Correction Factor.



18. [NP] [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 All skippers shall SIGN ON with the signal boat on the days designated VHF Channel (See SI 3.3) prior to the first warning signal each day. Boats failing to sign on may be scored DNC without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity on VHF.
- 18.3 The following are requirements of the MSQ Aquatic Permit:
- 18.3 (a) *“Vessels must observe a 20 metre exclusion zone around each of the following Aids to Navigation being Jay’s Reef Buoy, Hope Banks Beacon, Norman J Wright Beacon, Crawford James Pattison Beacon, Red Beacon NE Green Island, South Cardinal Beacon St Helena Island, respectively referred to in the Course Booklet as, JRB, HBI, NJW, CJP, GIR, and SHS.”*
- 18.3 (b) *“All skippers of any vessel participating in a race to which this Authority applies, must maintain on board and produce upon demand by the Race Committee, a copy of a current, valid Certificate of Currency with respect to the third party property and third party personal injury insurance for the vessel.”*
- 18.3 (c) *“All marine incidents must be reported to the Race Committee in addition to regulatory requirements to report marine incidents to Maritime Safety Queensland.”*

19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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

20. OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 20.1 Official vessels will be identified by displaying a black & white ‘RC’ or Red & White ‘MEDIA’ flag.

21. [NP] [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

- 21.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

22. [DP][NP] BERTHING

- 22.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the harbour.
- 22.2 Boats shall not dock or Rig on the RQYS fuel dock unless re-fuelling.

23. PRIZES

- 23.1 The overall winner of the Brisbane Women’s Keelboat Cup will be the first placed boat overall on PHS.
- 23.2 Prizes will be awarded to:
- 23.2 (a) Overall PHS 1st, 2nd & 3rd.
- 23.2 (b) Overall PHS All Female 1st, 2nd & 3rd.
- 23.2 (c) Overall IRC 1st, 2nd.
- 23.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee



24. RISK STATEMENT

- 24.1 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.**

25. INSURANCE

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

26. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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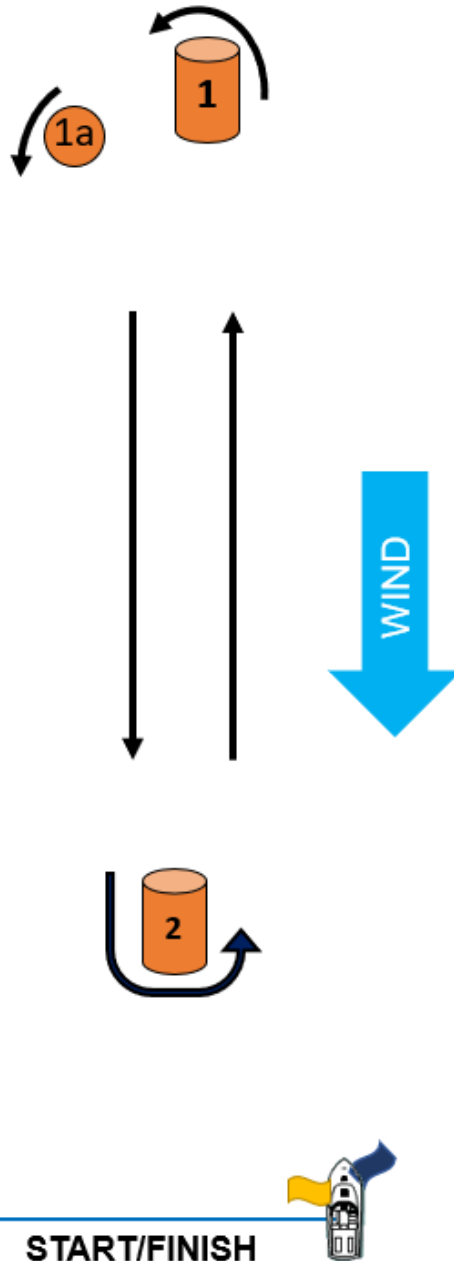
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SI Attachment A

Windward - Leeward Course

CODE	COURSE	MARKS DESCRIPTION
LA1	Start - 1 - 1a - Finish	Marks 1 & 2: Orange Inflatables
LA2	Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - Finish	Start Pin, Finish Pin, 1a: Orange Teardrop
LA3	Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - Finish	Change Mark: Yellow Inflatable





Triangle Course

CODE	COURSE	MARKS DESCRIPTION
T1	Start - 1 - 2 - Finish	Marks 1, 2 & 3: Orange Inflatables
T2	Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - Finish	Start Pin, Finish Pin: Orange Teardrop
T3	Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - 1 - 2 - Finish	Change Mark: Yellow Inflatable

