

CCYC Legends Yacht Race

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS ver 2.0

**Saturday 4th November
2023**

Organised and conducted by

Capricornia Cruising Yacht Club, John Howes Drive, Rosslyn Bay, Qld 4703

1. RULES

- 1.1** The race will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*
- 1.2** Australian Sailing Prescriptions will apply
- 1.3** All boats shall comply with Category 5 - Special Regulations Part 1 for Racing Boats.
- 1.4** All crew members must comply with Rule 46 (All crew members shall be members of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing and have an Australian Sailing number, or hold a valid Sail Pass, or if an international competitor, be a member of club affiliated to a World Sailing recognised Member National Authority)

2. Notice to Competitors

- 2.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at the CCYC clubhouse.
- 2.2** Notices may be repeated on CCYC websites.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1** Any written changes to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 90 minutes before the scheduled start time for the race.
- 3.2** The Sailing Committee reserves the right to issue verbal instructions or amendments at any time before or during the race. Such changes will be advised on VHF Ch 73

4. Schedule of Events

- 4.1** The briefing will be no earlier than 0730 hours, Saturday 4th November 2023 at CCYC Clubhouse.
- 4.2** The warning signal will be no earlier than 0855 hours on 4th November (all divisions)

5. The Course

- 5.1** Marks of the course will be advised at the briefing by the PRO

6. The Start

- 6.1** Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 6.2** The start line will be between a staff displaying signal flags on the race committee vessel and the starting mark.
- 6.3** The starting area will be as described at the race briefing.
- 6.4** When a race committee vessel is not available, an alternative start procedure will be utilised.

- 6.5** A yacht starting later than fifteen (15) minutes after the starting signal may be scored Did Not Start (DNS).
- 6.6** In the event of a start boat not be available, a rabbit start will be used. The nominated yacht, the “rabbit”, will announce the Warning Signal (5 minutes), the Preparatory Signal (4 minutes), Preparatory signal removed (1 minute) and the Start on the designated radio channel. The rabbit may motor-sail in light conditions (Rule 42.3 i) .
- One minute before the start, the rabbit will be on starboard tack and remain on that tack until the start. At Start, the rabbit will tack close-hauled on port and will have right of way (this amends RRS 10). To start, all yachts must pass astern of the rabbit on starboard tack. The rabbit maintains port tack until all yachts have started or for a maximum of 5 minutes. Once all yachts have started or 5 minutes have elapsed since the start, RRS 10 will apply to the start boat. Incorrect or the absence of radio calls by the start boat shall not be grounds for redress. This alters rule 62.1 a.

7. The Finish

- 7.1** The finish line will be advised by PRO at the briefing.
- 7.2** All boats are also requested to take their own finish time using a GPS

8. Time Limit

- 8.1** 8 hours. Rule 35 (RRS) applies
- Rule 35: If one boat sails the course as required by rule 28 and finishes within the time limit, if any, all boats that finish shall be scored according to their finishing places unless the race is abandoned. If no boat finishes within the time limit, the Sailing Committee shall abandon the race.

9. Protests

- 9.1** Protest forms will be available from CCYC Sailing Committee. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to CCYC within the protest time limit.
- 9.2** The protest time limit will be 2 hours after the last boat has finished the race.
- 9.3** Protest notices to inform competitors of hearings, will be posted on the official notice board within 2 hours of the end of the protest time. Protests will be heard as soon as possible.

10. Safety Regulations

- 10.1** All skippers will sign-on the race sheet at the CCYC clubhouse prior to the start and will sign-off the race sheet at the CCYC within 2 hours of completion of the race.
- 10.2** Signing off will be considered as a declaration that the boat concerned has completed the race in accordance with the rules.
- 10.3** A boat which retires from the race shall advise the Race Control as soon as practicable on VHF Ch 73 or any other means possible (e.g. mobile phone) giving their current location and status.
- 10.4** All boats shall comply with Transport Operations (Maritime Safety) Regulation 2016.
- 10.5** Participants under the age of 12 years of age shall wear a life jacket whilst on deck. The life jacket shall comply with AS4758-2008 (Level 100) or an equivalent or more stringent overseas standard such as ISO 12402 – 4 (Level 100) or higher ISO standards.

11. Equipment and Measurement checks

- 11.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the rules and sailing instructions.
- 11.2** A safety inspection may be made on any vessel prior to, or after race by the CCYC Safety Officer or nominee.

12. Radio Communications

- 12.1** All competing boats shall carry radio communication equipment capable of transmitting and receiving VHF Channels 16, 21, 22, 67, 72, 73, 79, 80 and 81.
- 12.2** All radio communications with Race Control will be with VHF Ch73.
- 12.3** All boats must make a radio check with CCYC Race Control between 0830 and 0845 on Saturday 4th November for all div. on Ch 73.
- 12.6** A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio (or any other electronic device) communication not available to all boats. The exception is the use of HF or mobile phones if contact can't be made using VHF.

14 Prizes

- 14.1** There will be a prize awarded for first, second and third in each division. If there are fewer than 3 entrants in a division, the awarding of prizes will be at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.
- The Sailing Committee reserves the right to combine divisions as it sees fit for the presentation of prizes

15 Disclaimer

- 15.1** All those taking part in this race do so at their own risk and responsibility. CCYC and all parties involved in the conduct and management of this race shall not be liable for any loss of life or injury, or for the loss of property or damage whatsoever or howsoever arising as a consequence of participation in this event. **ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO RRS 4.**

16 Insurance

- 16.1** It is a condition of entry that each boat is covered by valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 M in accordance with the Notice of Race and Entry Form.

17. Alterations to the Rules

- 17.1** Rule 52 is amended to permit powered equipment for the purpose of deploying and retrieving a vessel's primary anchor. Repetitive use of the anchor to gain advantage is not permitted.
- 17.2** Rule 52 is further amended to allow self-steering equipment to be used in two handed boats. Self- Steering equipment is limited to the rotation only of the boats stern rudder(s).
- 17.3** Rule 51 and 52 are amended to permit the use of movable ballast or canting keels on any boat, and the use of stored power to do so.
- 17.4** Rule 55.2 is amended to allow the use of fixed or retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits for the purpose of setting Asymmetrical spinnakers
- 17.5** After starting a boat in accordance with RRS 42.3(i), may use her engine whilst racing:
- (a) to avoid interfering with commercial traffic
 - (b) if she has run aground.
 - (c) to avoid running aground.
 - (d) to avoid a collision.

This alters RRS 42.3 (h)

The engine use must be logged (location, time, speed, direction, duration), and a declaration made to the PRO or Race Committee as soon as possible after finishing.

The race committee will decide what action or scoring penalty (if any) will be taken. Breaches of this rule may only be protested by the race committee.