

Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club



Windward/Leeward Racing Supplementary Sailing Instructions

Division II Couta Boats

(Division II – incorporating J24 Club Champ Races 4 & 5)

(Couta Boats - incorporating State Heats 4 & 5)

Saturday, 7 March 2026

Race Control: VHF 77 or 0422 654 833

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The Organising Authority is the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club (Inc)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025-2028.
- 1.2 The RFBYC Standard Sailing Instructions will apply.
- 1.3 In the event of conflict between the Standard Sailing Instructions and the Supplementary Sailing Instructions, the Supplementary Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions made on the water will be delivered by a Race Committee Signal Boat. Flag L will be displayed while the changes are being given. It is the responsibility of each boat to obtain the written or oral instructions.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag mast on the upper lawn area of RFBYC Main club house.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 For the first race of the day, fleets may be started in any order with the first warning signal commencing at 14:00. The order of starting for subsequent races may be different from that of the first starts.
- 4.2 Subsequent races for each fleet will occur as soon as practical following the previous race. The "Q" Flag will not be used, this changes SI 11.5.
- 4.3 On Saturday 15 November, no warning signal will be made after 1600.

5 RACE AREA AND COURSE

- 5.1 Racing will be conducted in the area known as Melville Water West.
- 5.2 Courses will be Windward /Leeward see Appendix A.
- 5.3 Other fleets sailing Saturday pm races will be allowed to sail through the start/finish line in any direction.

6 COMMITTEE VESSEL

- 6.1 The Committee vessel will be the RFBYC "Tam Thompson".

7 MARKS

- 7.1 Mark 1, 2, 3s and 3p will be a yellow inflatable marks.
- 7.2 The start and finish marks will be black and white chequered buoy.
- 7.3 If either Mark 1,2 or a gate mark is missing, then the remaining marks should be rounded to port.

8 LATE STARTER

A boat starting later than three (3) minutes after her starting signal will be scored 'DNS' without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

9 THE START AND FINISH

9.1 Races will be started using RRS26 modified such that the warning signal will be displayed 3 minutes prior to the start and the preparatory signal 2 minutes prior to the start.

9.2 The starting line is between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee vessel at the starboard end and a black and white chequered buoy at the port end.

9.3 The finishing line is between the staff displaying a blue flag on the Committee vessel at the port end and a black and white chequered buoy at the starboard end.

10 TIME LIMIT

10.1 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes of the first boat of its fleet which sails the course and finishes, will be scored 'Did Not Finish'. This changes RRS 35 and 63.1 and A5.

11 CHANGE OF COURSE

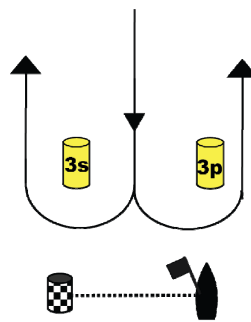
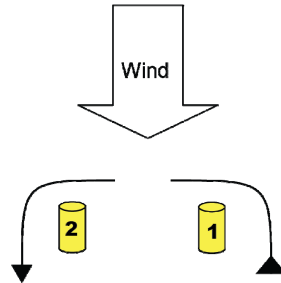
In the event of a minor change in the wind direction, (less than 10 degrees), the Race Committee may relocate the existing marks without signalling a Change of Course. This changes RRS33.

13 RESULTS

Results will be presented on Saturday 7 March from 1730 along with all other fleets sailing that day.

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Appendix A - Courses



START / FINISH

Course 1 (Numeral Pennant 1)

Start – 1 – 2 – Finish

Course 2: (Numeral Pennant 2)

Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – 1 – 2 – Finish

Course 3: (Numeral Pennant 3)

Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – 1 – 2 – Finish