



Sailing Season 2023 - 2024

Off The Beach

Sailing Instructions

Issued 1st October, 2023

The Organising Authority is the Royal Brighton Yacht Club Inc (RBYC)

1. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 1.1. The Official Notice Board is the Online Notice Board located at - <https://sailingresults.net/sa/notice/?ID=3>

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than two hours before it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag mast situated on the western perimeter of the RBYC OTB Yard.
- 3.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

4. CLASS FLAGS

- 4.1. Class flags will be numeral pennants in accordance with the divisions described in Appendix B.

5. THE COURSES

- 5.1. The courses and marks are as described in Appendix A.
- 5.2. All marks are to be left to port except the gate mark.
- 5.3. Courses for each division will be displayed on a board located at the stern of the Committee Vessel no later than 5 minutes before the start of said division.

6. MARKS

- 6.1. Laid Marks are described in Appendix A.

7. THE START

- 7.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 7.2. Course 3 – Foiling start will be between the stern of the race committee vessel and a yellow stick mark.
- 7.3. The race committee and rescue boats will notify competitors should they wish to use a 3-minute start sequence, prior to the commencement of applicable start.

8. THE FINISH

- 8.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

9. TIME LIMITS

- 9.1. The Target Time, Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in Appendix B
- 9.2. Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. For divisions 4 and 5, rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that the two-turn penalty is replaced with a one turn penalty.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 11.1. Protests can be made online at following [Link to Online Protest Board](#) or via [Protest forms](#) available at the RBYC Sailing Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be posted online &/or delivered to the RBYC Sailing Office within the appropriate time limit.
This changes RRS S 13.1.
- 11.2. The protest time limit is 60 minutes (1 hour) after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 11.3. 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 and where the hearings will be held.

12. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 12.1. 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.

13. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1. For each race session boats intending to race shall "sign on" either via mobile phone or at the Regatta Office before departing the beach and shall "sign off" either via mobile phone or at the Regatta Office upon their return after racing.
- 13.2. Failure to sign on prior to racing or off prior to protest cutoff time will result in a 3-point penalty for the first race of the day. This changes RRS A4.

APPENDIX A - OTB Courses

Description of Laid Marks

Mark	Description
Start	Yellow
1	Pink
1b	Stick with orange flag
2P/S	Orange
3	Yellow
Finish	Black/White checkered
1 Change mark	Pink & Black band
1a & 4 Change marks	Yellow with black band



Division 1, 2 and 5

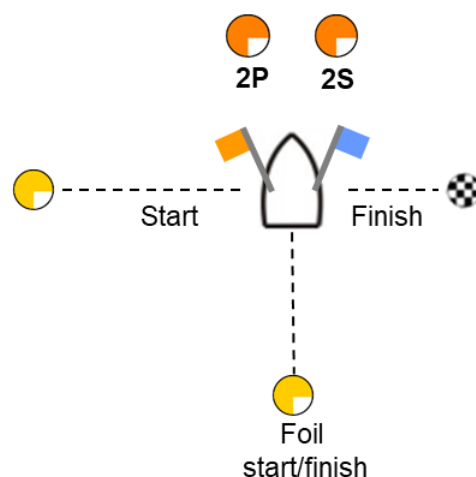
Course	Course to be sailed
1	Start – 1 – 2p - Finish
2	Start – 1 – 2p/s - 1 -2p- Finish

Division 3 (Optimist)



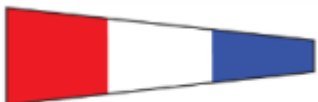


Course	Course to be sailed
1	Start – 1b – 2p - Finish
2	Start – 1b – 2p/s – 1b -2p- Finish

Division 4 (Foiling)

Course	Course to be sailed
1	Start – 1 – 2p- Finish
2	Start – 1 – 2p/s - 1 -2p - Finish
3	Start – 3- Foil start/finish- 3 - Finish



APPENDIX B Class Flags

Division	Class		Target Time <i>minutes</i>	Mark 1 Time Limit <i>minutes</i>	Race Time Limit <i>minutes</i>	Finishing Window <i>minutes</i>
1	Lasers, Aeros		30	20	60	15
2	420,470,Quests		30	20	60	15
3	Optis		30	20	60	10
4	WASZP, WindFoils		15	15	45	15
5	49er, 49FXer, RS100 & 29ers		30	15	60	15