



S80 Victorian Championship Hobsons Bay Yacht Club

12-14 January 2018

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS V1.2

The Organising Authority is the Hobsons Bay Yacht Club on behalf of the S80 Association of Victoria (Association).

Amendment	Date	Changes
Addition of Long Course 10	11 Jan 2018	Course 10 added

1. Rules

- 1.1 The 2018 S80 Victorian Championship will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA) Part 1, Sections 1--6. Category 6 shall apply.
- 1.2 Marine VHF radios shall be carried on all boats racing. The radio may be permanently installed or be a waterproof handheld. Radios shall be capable of operating on channels 12, 16 and 69.
- 1.3 The class rules of the S80 Association, and the championship rules of the S80 Association, (except as any of these are altered by these Sailing Instructions) shall apply. Sailing equipment outside the class rules shall be removed or made inoperative, to the extent that the equipment is unable to be used during racing.
- 1.4 All skippers shall lodge with their own clubs a Safety Compliance Declaration covering the 2017 – 2018 season before they enter the State Championships. Boats not complying with this requirement shall not be entered and will not be eligible for the State Championship scoring. A copy shall be made available on request by the race committee.

2. Notice to Competitors

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Regatta Notice Board.

3. Change in Sailing Instructions

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.

4. Signals made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the HBYC flag mast on the northern perimeter of the HBYC property.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 45 minutes” in race signal AP.

5. Schedule of Events

- 5.1 Registration will take place online prior to the event.
- 5.2 The Race Committee will hold an Information Session in the main hall area, commencing at 1000 on Friday 12 January 2018. All skippers are encouraged to ensure that at least one delegate from each boat attends this session.
- 5.3 Race Schedule

Heat	Race type	Date	Warning	Start
1	Laid course	Friday 12 January, 2018	1155	1200
2	Long distance	Friday 12 January, 2018	ASAP after heat 1	
3	Laid course	Saturday 13 January, 2018	0955	1000
4	Laid course	Saturday 13 January, 2018	ASAP after heat 3	
5	Laid course	Saturday 13 January, 2018	ASAP after heat 4	
6	Laid course	Sunday 14 January, 2018	0955	1000
7	Laid course	Sunday 14 January, 2018	ASAP after heat 6	

The warning signal for subsequent races of the day will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race. To alert boats that another race will begin shortly, an orange flag may be displayed (with one sound signal) for a minimum period of five (5) minutes before a warning signal is displayed. There may not be sufficient time between races for boats to return to shore.

- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1500 on Sunday 14 January 2018.

6. Equipment Inspections

Equipment inspections may be conducted at any time between 0900 and 1800 from 12 January to 14 January 2018, at which time the Owner or a representative of the Owner shall be available with the boat.

7. Class Flag

The class flag will be a flag bearing the S80 Insignia, in blue, on a white background.

8. Racing Area

The primary race area will be on Port Phillip in the vicinity of HBYC, with the option to hold races off Williamstown Beach.

9. Courses

- 9.1 See Attachments 1 and 2 to these Sailing Instructions for both short and long distance courses.
- 9.2 The Race Committee Boat will display a numeral pennant indicating the number of the course to be sailed, no later than the warning signal.
- 9.3 The bearing to the first mark will be displayed on the Race Committee Boat.

10. Marks

- 10.1 Mark 1 will be an orange inflatable buoy
- 10.2 Mark H will be an orange with an X inflatable buoy
- 10.3 Gate marks will be yellow inflatable buoys
- 10.4 The starting mark will be an orange inflatable buoy
- 10.5 The finishing mark will be an orange inflatable buoy
- 10.6 Change of Course Mark is a yellow mark with a black band.
- 10.7 Fixed Marks for the Long Distance Race are described in Attachment 2

11. The Start

- 11.1 The starting line for laid courses will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end and an orange inflatable buoy at the port end.
- 11.2 A crowding mark may be laid near or affixed to the Race Committee Boat but not necessarily on the starting line. When laid, this mark shall be left on the same required side as the Race Committee Boat.
- 11.3 A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.

12. Change of the next leg of the Course

- 12.1 When changing the course after the start the Race Committee will lay a new mark and then lift the original mark as soon as practicable. A replacement mark will be a yellow buoy with a black band. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the replacement mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.
- 12.2 When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with a mark displaying the same characteristics as the original.

13. The Finish

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and an orange inflatable buoy for laid courses.

14. Penalty System

For infringements of Class Rules 4 (Accommodation), 8 (Mast and Rigging) and 9 (Deck Equipment) the penalty may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides.

15. Time Limit

- 15.1 Windward--Leeward Races

The time limit for each short course race will be two and a half (2.5) hours. Boats failing to finish within the time limit or within 30 minutes after the finish of the first boat (whichever is the later), will be scored "Did Not Finish (DNF)". This changes RRS 35.
- 15.2 Long Distance Course

The time limit for the long distance course will be five (5) hours or sunset, whichever is the earlier. Boats failing to finish within the time limit or within sixty (60) minutes after the finish of the first boat (whichever is the later), will be scored "Did Not Finish (DNF)". This changes RRS 35.

16. Protests

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.2 The Protest Time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished in the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing on the day. The same time limit applies to requests for redress protests and protests by the Race Committee and Protest Committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 16.3 Protest hearing schedule will be posted within (30) minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 16.4 Infringements of Sailing Instructions 19, 20, 21 shall not be grounds for protest by competitors, but may result in action by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 16.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b)
- 16.6 On the last day of the regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - (a) Within the protest time limit if the party requesting the reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;;
 - (b) No later than 30 minutes after the party requesting the reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 16.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than (30) minutes after the decision was posted. This changes Rule 62.2.

17. Arbitration

- 17.1 All protests involving a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 will be subject to arbitration in accordance with RRS Appendix T
- 17.2 Rule T1(b) is changed to 35% of the difference between her finishing position and the number of entries. However, she shall not be scored worse than Did Not Finish. The penalty for a boat that has caused injury, serious damage or gained a significant advantage from her breach shall be to retire.

18. Scoring

- 18.1 Seven (7) races are scheduled. A minimum of three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.2 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her series scores. This change Rule 2.

19. Safety Regulations

- 19.1 Attention is drawn to ISAF Fundamental Rules 3 and 4.
- 19.2 YA Addendum A Special Regulations Category 6 shall apply
- 19.3 Boats not finishing or retiring from a race for whatever reason shall make every reasonable effort to advise the Race Committee Boat on VHF 69.
- 19.4 Boats are advised of the requirement to maintain a listening watch on VHF channel 12 whilst navigating within the Port of Melbourne.
- 19.5 Each boat not fitted with an inboard engine shall carry an outboard motor which shall be operational and capable of driving the boat in smooth water at a speed exceeding 4 knots.
- 19.6 When not in use, the outboard motor may be carried securely below decks or mounted in the normal operating position.
- 19.7 A minimum of 5 litres of fuel shall be carried in the stern locker in an approved container, which can be connected to the motor. Boats with an inboard engine shall also carry a minimum of 5 litres of fuel in their fuel tank.
- 19.8 Anchor, anchor chain, and anchor warp conforming to YA Special Regulations must be carried in the bow anchor well whilst racing.

20. Support Boats

- 20.1 Boats carrying Team Managers, Coaches, and other support personnel shall register with the Race Committee on 12 January 2018 to advise details of VHF radio and mobile telephone numbers.
- 20.2 All such boats shall keep to leeward and more than 100 metres clear of any competitor or mark of the course between the preparatory signal and the finish time of the last boat in each race or the expiration of race time, except in boats provided by the organising authority or when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

21. Haul Out Restrictions

The Regatta will be conducted as a wet series. All boats shall be in the water before 0930 hours on the day of the first scheduled race and remain in the water for the duration of the series. Boats shall not be slipped except in an emergency or with the prior written permission of the Race Committee

22. Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools

Underwater breathing apparatus (including snorkels), plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats after 0930 hours on the day of the first scheduled race, except with the prior written permission of the Race Committee.

23. Radio Communication

- 23.1 Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive special radio communications that are not available to all boats. This requirement also applies to mobile telephone communications.
- 23.2 A boat responding to a distress call is not subject to this instruction.
- 23.3 The following information is provided for use in the event of emergency: the Race Committee will monitor VHF Channels 69, 12 & 16 throughout the regatta. The Race Committee can be contacted by calling the Race Committee, "Hobsons Bay Race Control".
- 23.4 VHF Channel 69 is the working channel for this series.

24. Prizes

The following prizes will be awarded:

Victorian Championship

First Outright	Perpetual trophy and engraved trophy
Second Outright	Engraved trophy
Third Outright	Engraved trophy

Most Improved Performance

First	Perpetual trophy and engraved trophy
Second	Engraved trophy
Third	Engraved trophy

Winner of Long Distance Heat "The Law Firm" Perpetual Trophy

Masters Award	As decided by the S80 Assoc.
Rookie Award	As decided by the S80 Assoc.
Ronstan Award	As decided by the S80 Assoc.

The S80 Assoc. of Victoria may award additional trophies together with mementos, as they see fit. The "Most Improved Performance" prizes will be awarded against results calculated using performance ratings provided by the Association that have been determined from previous Championship Regattas.

The Masters Award will be awarded to the best performed boat in the "Outright" category with the highest average age of skipper and all crew members. Skippers shall indicate eligibility at time of registering by providing the average age of all crew. Proof of age may be requested by the Association.

The Rookie Award will be awarded to the best performed first or second year competitor, in the "Outright" category.

The Ronstan Award will be presented as acknowledgement to a person who has made a significant contribution to the S80 Class.

25. Disclaimer of Liability

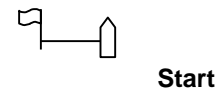
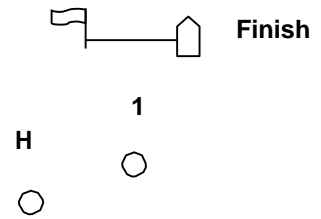
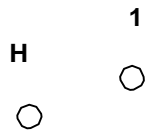
All those taking part in this regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility and are responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted and for the sufficiency and adequacy of its equipment. Neither HBYC nor the S80 Association of Victoria, their members, staff or volunteers shall accept liability or responsibility whatsoever for death or any personal injury or material damage sustained by participants before, during or after the regatta. The Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions in no way limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibilities of a competitor for the management and care of a boat she or he may be sailing in the championship. Also see RRS 4, Decision to Race.

26. Insurance.

Each participating boat shall be insured with third-party liability insurance with a minimum of AUD \$10,000,000.00 per event or the equivalent.

ATTACHMENT 1

LAID COURSES



COURSE 1 (Downwind Finish)
START--1--H--FINISH

COURSE 4 (Upwind Finish)
START--1--H--GATE--FINISH

COURSE 2 (Downwind Finish)
START--1--H--GATE--1--FINISH

COURSE 5 (Upwind Finish)
START--1--H--GATE--1--GATE--FINISH

COURSE 3 (Downwind Finish)
START--1--H--GATE--1--GATE--1--FINISH

COURSE 6 (Upwind Finish)
START--1--H--GATE--1--GATE--1--GATE--FINISH

ATTACHMENT 2 LONG

DISTANCE RACES

General for all long distance courses:

In all cases it will be an on-- water start and a Hobsons Bay Yacht Club finish.

The Hobsons Bay Yacht Club Finish shall be an imaginary line between Mark O and the S.W. corner of the Hobsons Bay Yacht Club clubhouse. Yachts must finish in a Northerly direction.

Each long distance course the first leg will be to windward.

Courses may be shortened at the discretion of the Race Committee.

Mark	Approximate Position
RMYS G	An orange truncated pyramid located approximately 37 51.000S 144 56.250E
RMYS A	An orange truncated pyramid located approximately 37 51.90S, 144 57.47E
R2	Yellow light Buoy marked R2 located approximately 37 54.54S 144 56.34E
R3	Buoy marked R3 located approximately 37 53.20S 144 56.40E
R4	Yellow Buoy located approximately 37 50.70S, 144 55.36E
Mark O	Orange buoy 200m North of RYCV marina
Finish Line	Mark O and the S.W. corner of the HBYC clubhouse

COURSE 7

Start – R4 (S) – R2 (P) – RMYS G (S) – RMYS “A” (S) – R2 (S) – R4 (P) – 19A (S) - Finish

COURSE 8

Start – R2 (P) – RMYS G (S) – RMYS “A” (S) – R2 (S) – R4 (P) – 19A (S) - Finish

COURSE 9

Start --- RMYS “A” (S) – P3 (P) – R2 (P) –RMYS “A” (P) – Gate formed by 17 (A) and 19 (A) - Finish

COURSE 10

Start - 19A (P) - RMYS “A” (S) – P3 (P) – R2 (P) –RMYS “A” (P) – Gate formed by 17 (A) and 19 (A) - Finish