

Adelaide Radio Control Yacht Racing Club Inc.
Club Championships
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. The Championships.

- 1.1 The Adelaide Radio Control Yacht Racing Club (the Club) conducts club championship racing over a number of rounds (events) during the calendar year at the scheduled times and dates as published in the club's annual Racing Programme for the following classes;
- International One Meter (IOM)
 - International Marblehead Class (RM)
 - Dragon Force 95 (DF95)

2. Rules

- 2.1 The championship rounds will be governed by the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2025-2028) as changed by Appendix E of the RRS - Radio Sailing, these Sailing Instructions (SI), the World Sailing Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) and the respective Class Rules, the ARYA Standard Sailing Instructions including the ARYA standard Sailing Instructions Appendix A and these ARCYRC Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 Protests and requests for redress may be made verbally to the PRO. This modifies RRS 60.2 & RRS 61.2 Prior to a protest hearing Arbitration as per RRS Appendix T may be held
- 2.3 These ARCYRC Sailing Instructions shall prevail in the event of conflict with any of the rules mentioned in 2.1.
- 2.4 All skippers must comply with the ARCYRC Code of Conduct.

3. Eligibility of competitors

- 3.1 Competitors must be financial members of the Club.
- 3.2 Boats must be registered and continue to comply with class and all other relevant rules. However an unregistered boat may be used in up to two rounds before it must be registered to be eligible to compete in subsequent rounds. If such a boat is not subsequently registered in that season then that skipper shall score DNC for each round in which that boat was used.
- 3.3 An unregistered boat must at least have temporary sail number or other identification on at least one sail. Boats without a sail number or other identification will not be scored.
- 3.4 A skipper may not change boats during a round. A skipper can only score points sailing one boat per round.
- 3.5 If a skipper changes boats during the season a boat sailed in an earlier round which has been replaced cannot be re-used.
- 3.6 An unregistered boat must comply with class rules.

4. Racing System

- 4.1 HMS 2022 will be used should conditions and entrant numbers on the day require splitting the fleet into multiple heats.
- 4.2 A minimum of 2 boats must start a race for that race to count toward the championship.
- 4.3 There shall be no minimum number of races. One completed race is sufficient to constitute a round.
- 4.4 Only one boat need finish a race for that race to count.

5. Scoring and Discards

- 5.1 Race points for a skipper who competes in the round.
- 5.1.1 Each race shall be scored using the Low Points Scoring System (RRSA4)
- 5.1.2 Points for DNF, DNS, RET, DSQ, DNC, DGM and DNE etc. shall be the number of skippers who have competed in that round plus one. The number of competitors in a round shall be defined as the number of individual skippers who have brought their yachts to the starting area during the round.
- 5.1.3 Points for a competitor given DGM for the round as per 11.5 (Code of Conduct), shall be the number of competitors having completed in the Championship plus 2.
- 5.2 The finishing place (not the actual score) at the end of each round shall be the points for that round. For example, a skipper who wins a round shall have a round score of 1 point. Second place scores 2 points etc. This overrides RRS Appendix A, A2.
- 5.3 Round points for a skipper who does not compete in a round shall be one point more than the highest last place round points of all rounds for the annual Championship.
- 5.4 Discards for each round shall be; 4 or more races sailed...1 discard, 8 or more...2 discards, 16 or more...3 discards and so on at the rate of 1 additional discard for every 8 additional races.
- 5.5 Discards for the championships shall be; 4 or more rounds completed...1 discard, then at the rate of one (1) additional discard for each three (3) rounds completed thereafter.
- 5.6 In the event of a round result being lost that round shall be declared abandoned unless the missing results are found prior to the end of the season. The committee may amend the overall results should reasonable evidence of the results of the missing round prior to the end of the season. The end of the season is defined as the Club Championship presentation day which is usually the end of year BBQ.
- 5.7 The championship shall be awarded to the skipper with the lowest points after all round scores are tallied minus discards (as per 5.5) at end of the last round.
- 5.8 Where a skipper has had round scores omitted due to non eligibility of a boat or for any other reason that may be decided by the committee, then that skipper's round score shall be DGM and scored as per 5.1.3 above.
- 5.9 Rotating Race Officer
In the event that there is no dedicated Race Officer for the club championship round the following process shall

be followed. The aim is to have all skippers compete in an equal number of available races

5.9.1 Each skipper MUST participate in being the Race Officer for one or more races

5.9.2 Where the number of skippers exceeds the number of races that can be held in a day, then multiple skippers may need to "sit out" a race.

5.9.3 A skipper who is acting as Race Officer(s) will be scored ZERO points for the race

5.9.4 Where a skipper leaves the race venue without completing Race Officer duties, they will be scored a DNC for the round. All race results from the day will be deleted and positions of the remaining fleet shall be altered.

6. Changes to the Sailing Instructions

6.1 The committee may change SI at any time. Verbal announcements to all competitors shall be made to call attention to the change on the day of a round. However any such SI change shall be posted or emailed to all members prior to the next round.

7. Courses

7.1 A course board showing the course may be located within the control area with information clearly visible to competitors while racing.

7.2 When the course board is not used, the course shall be verbally described to **all** competitors in that race prior to the preparatory (one minute) signal.

8. Control and launching areas

8.1 There is no limit to walking the bank. Competitors are encouraged to stay as close to their boats as practical so as to minimise the chances of infringing other competitors.

8.2 Competitors are not permitted to climb on the rock bank or concrete terraces in an attempt to launch, retrieve or re-launch a boat grounded against the rock bank. In the event of a grounding outside of the designated launching area, the push off pole must be used or the boat retrieved or re-launched using the club dingy. Failure to comply with this rule will result in the competitor scoring an RET for that race or if between races, then a DNS for the next race.

9. Race Starts

9.1 RRS 30.1 (around the ends rule) will not apply for the first or second attempt to start a race or heat.

9.2 RRS 30.1 may apply from the third attempt to start a race where the first two attempts have been abandoned due to general recall. RRS 30.2 and 30.3 will not apply for any start.

9.3 If in the opinion of the race officer, a yacht has crossed the start line prematurely due to the skipper not hearing the countdown because of aircraft noise, a general recall shall be called. Such a general recall does not count towards the invocation of RRS 30.1.

9.4 Sail Change Delay:

9.4.1 Skippers may request a delay in the race countdown to change sails.

9.4.2 The request must be made to the race officer and be made prior to the one minute signal.

9.4.3 The duration of the delay shall be at the discretion of the race officer and shall be a minimum of 5 minutes and shall be added to the standard race countdown.

9.4.4 All skippers shall be notified of the duration of the delay immediately a request is made.

9.4.5 There shall be no more than one delay per race countdown.

9.4.6 The race countdown with delay time added shall not start until all skippers who have asked for a sail change delay have retrieved their boats from the launching area.

9.4.7 Skippers having requested a sail change delay shall promptly retrieve their boats.

10. Racing Times and Schedule

10.1 During **non daylight saving**, IOM, RM & DF95 racing will commence at 10:30 am and the last race will start before 2:30pm.

10.2 During **daylight saving**, IOM, RM & DF95 class rounds will commence at 1:00 pm and the last race will start before 4:00pm. If a club event has a different start time it will be in the club annual program.

10.3 In the event where it is not possible to set fair sailing courses including start lines due to the wind direction racing may be cancelled, or if already racing, abandoned for the day with current results standing.

10.4 Decisions to abandon racing will not be made before the defined start time. Any competitor leaving the venue earlier than the start time shall have no recourse if the racing is started. A postponement of up to 30 minutes may be called before abandoning racing.

10.5 At the discretion of the committee, one or more general breaks may be called during a days racing.

10.6 A break between races is defined as the time between the last yacht finishing and the start of the next race

11. Conduct of Members

11.1 Breaches of the club code of conduct may result in either an on the spot penalty of 2 turns or a hearing under RRS 69.1. The race officer acting on behalf of the committee is empowered to issue an on the spot penalty.

11.2 The race officer is not obliged to issue an on the spot penalty and may instead lodge a protest in accordance with RRS 69.1. The lodgement of protest may be verbal and shall given to the highest club official in attendance who shall initiate the protest hearing immediately after the race. In the absence of any committee members, the race officer shall initiate the hearing and shall select a jury of 3 club members.

11.3 The skipper is not obliged to accept an on the spot penalty in which case the matter shall be taken to protest

hearing as per 11.2

11.4 Except as per 11.2 above, the jury shall comprise of three committee members.

11.5 The penalty where a protest has been upheld shall be one of the following;

11.5.1 Disqualification from the race in which the offence occurred. The race score shall be DGM

11.5.2 Disqualification from the previous or next race if not sailing at the time. The race score shall be DGM.

11.5.3 Disqualification from the round. The round score shall be DGM.

11.6 Where the protest has been upheld under RRS 69, the jury shall report the matter to the full club committee for possible further action.

12. Trophies

12.1 Trophies may be awarded at the club "Presentations" at the end of the year to the club Champions in each class provided a minimum of 5 rounds for the class has been sailed.

12.2 Trophies for second place will be awarded when 8 or more members have competed in the series during the year. Trophies for third place will be awarded when 16 or more members have competed in the series during the year.