



Royal Cape Yacht Club Youth Regatta
16th & 17th June 2018
The Organising Authority will be the RCYC.

The notation “[DP]” in a rule in the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by:

- 1.1.1. The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.1.2. The Merchant Shipping (Small Vessel Safety) Regulations 2007 – Category D.
- 1.1.3. The Equipment Rules of Sailing.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located in the RCYC foyer or Main Hall and on the RCYC website www.rcyc.co.za

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any written change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not later than 90 minutes before the first scheduled start of the day it takes effect.
- 3.2. Oral changes to the sailing instructions may be given on the water by broadcast on VHF Channel 06 in accordance with RRS 90.2 (c).

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE




- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast in front of the RCYC clubhouse
- 4.2. When Flag AP is displayed ashore “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 60 minutes” in race signal AP

5. SCHEDULE OF RACING

- 5.1. Racing is scheduled on Saturday, June 16th – first warning signal 12h00, and Sunday, June 17th – first warning signal 10h00.
- 5.2. The first race on Saturday 16th might be a practise race.
- 5.3. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.4. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15h00.

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1. The Class flags will as below

Class	Class Flag
ORC Class A	NP 1 
ORC Class B	NP 2 
ORC Class C	NP 3 

7. RACING AREAS

7.1. Racing will take place in and around Table Bay.

8. THE COURSES

8.1. The course may be described on the ONB up to 60mins before the scheduled start of a race, and/or on the water by broadcast on VHF channel 06.

9. MARKS

- 9.1. The start and finish marks will be (a) for a committee boat start : the committee boat at the starboard end and a buoy at the port end **OR** (b) for a start from the RCYC bridge hut : NO 10 for the start and an orange mark for the finish.
- 9.2. All other marks will be identified in the course description.

10. THE START

- 10.1. For a committee boat start : the starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.2. For a bridge hut start : the starting line will be between the mast displaying an orange flag at the bridge hut and the course side of No 10.
- 10.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. **[DP]**
- 10.4. A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11. RECALLS

11.1 The race committee will attempt to notify recalled boats by broadcast over VHF channel 06. Failure of a boat to hear this broadcast, and the timing and order of such broadcasts, will not be grounds for redress.

12. SHORTENING COURSE and CHANGES TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1. In addition to the provisions of RRS 32.2 the race committee may announce a shortened course on VHF channel 06. Such announcement shall be made before the first boat of the Class concerned passes the last mark of the original course before it was shortened.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1. For a committee boat finish : the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark
- 13.2. For a bridge hut finish : the finishing line will be between the mast displaying an orange flag at the bridge hut and the course side of the nearby orange finishing mark.

14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat of her class sails the course and finishes will be scored 'Did not Finish' without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1. Protest forms are available at the reception desk in the RCYC foyer. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2. For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat of that class has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals not more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.3. 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. Hearings will be held in the protest room indicated on the ONB.
- 15.4. Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61. 1 (b)
- 15.5. 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 RRS 62.2.

16. ARBITRATION

- 16.1. RRS Appendix T applies.

17. SCORING

- 17.1. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.3. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1. All boats must comply with The Merchant Shipping (Small Vessel Safety) Regulations 2007 – Category D. [DP]
- 18.2. All boats must obey the Harbour Regulations at all times. Commercial vessels have right of way. [DP]
- 18.3. All boats must keep a listening watch on VHF Channel 14 while in the harbour area and on VHF channel 06 while at sea. [DP]
- 18.4. All boats competing in the Regatta must have a person on board in possession of a valid Skipper Certificate (Day Skipper minimum)
- 18.5. All yachts leaving the RCYC Basin must be "SIGNED OUT" before leaving AND "SIGNED IN" after returning, in the Register at Reception [DP].

18.6. When fly Y is displayed with one sound before or with the warning signal, competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. When Flag Y is displayed ashore, this rule applies at all times while afloat. Wet suits or dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

19.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

20. AWARDS, PRIZES AND TROPHIES

20.1. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

22. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of R5 000 000. [DP].