



Race Management Flags & Signals

Wednesday 23 October 2024





Agenda

- Session Aims
- Regulatory Documents
- Officiating Pathways
- Course Types
- Race Signals
- Signals Ashore
- Start Boat Procedures
- Start Boat Race Signals
- Signals after the Start
- Other Race Signals





Session Aims to inform...



- Competitors
- Race Management Volunteers
- Content = 50% of the MHYC Club Race Officer Course





Regulatory Documents



- IRPCAS
- State, National & Local Marine Regulations
- Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- Notices of Race
- Sailing Instructions
- Notices to Competitors
- World Sailing Regulations
- World Sailing Race Management Policies





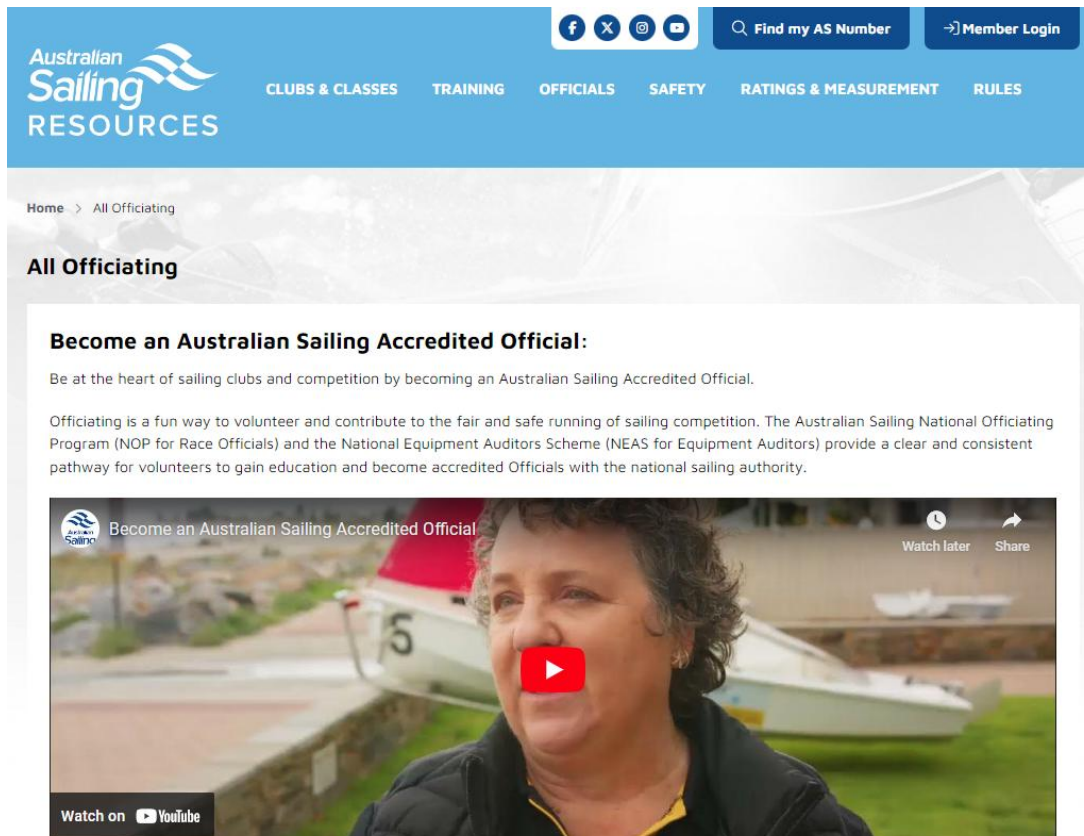
Officiating Pathways



- Mark Layer (Online)
- Committee & Finish Boat (Online)
- Race Officer (MHYC Club > Regional > National > International)
- Judge (PCM > Regional > National > International)
- Umpire (Club > State > National > International)
- Measurer & Equipment Inspector (Sails & Spars > Official Class > ORC/IRC > International)
- Para Classifier (National > International)
- Technical Delegate (Class > International)



Officiating Pathways



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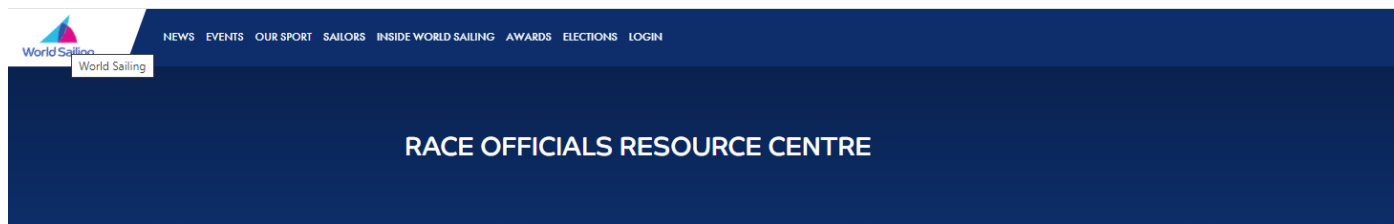
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https://www.sailingresources.org.au/officials_home

Officiating Pathways



Resources for all World Sailing Race Officials roles and event organisers.

Documents for All Race Officials

Race Officials Documents



International Judge Resources

Useful Documents



Protest & Hearing Forms



First Time Application Documents



Renewal Application Documents



Education Documents



International Measurer Resources

Useful Documents



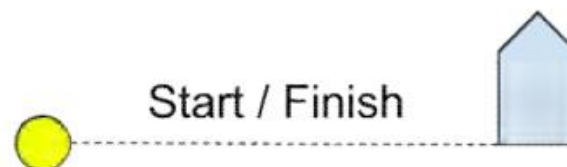
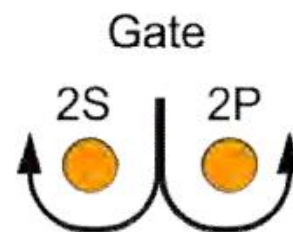
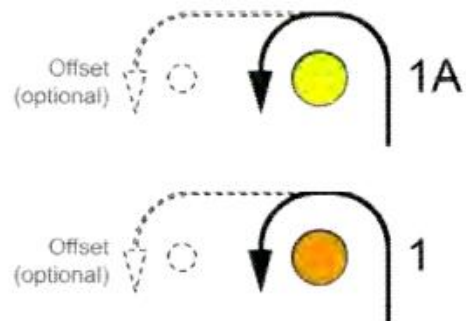
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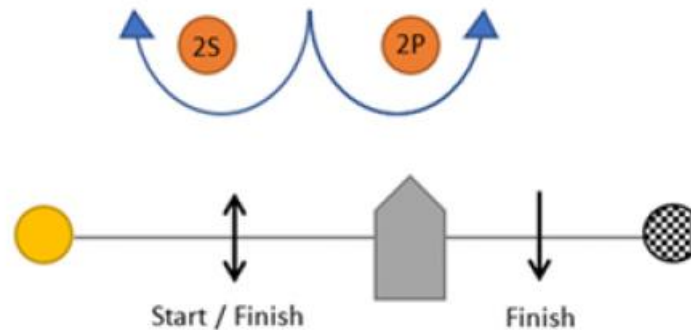
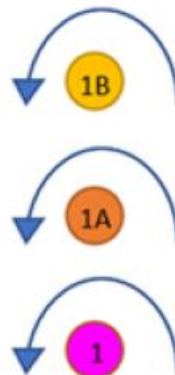
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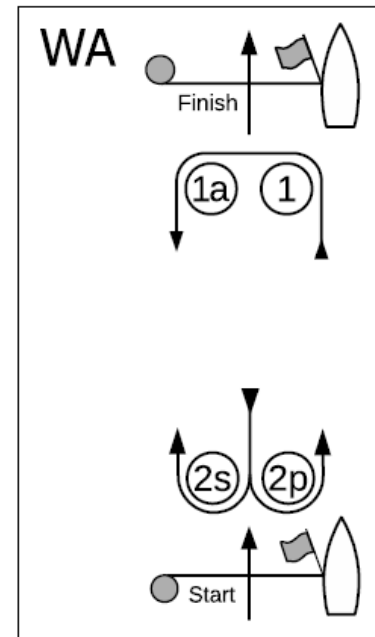
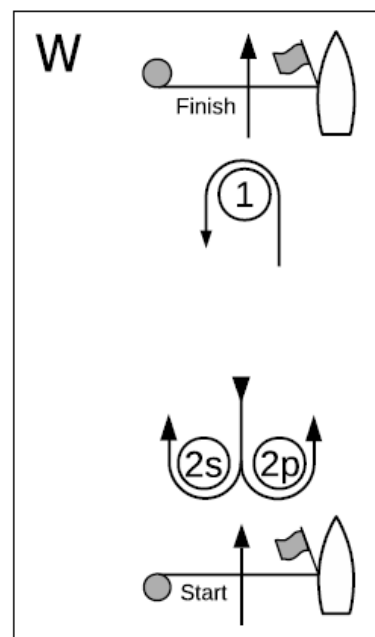
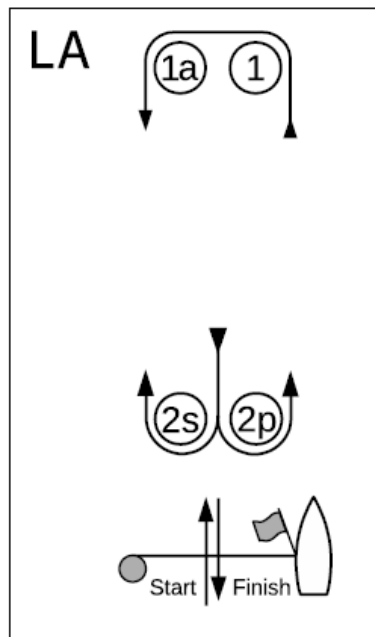
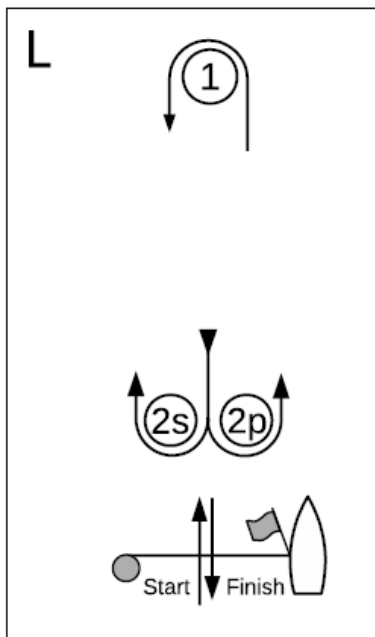




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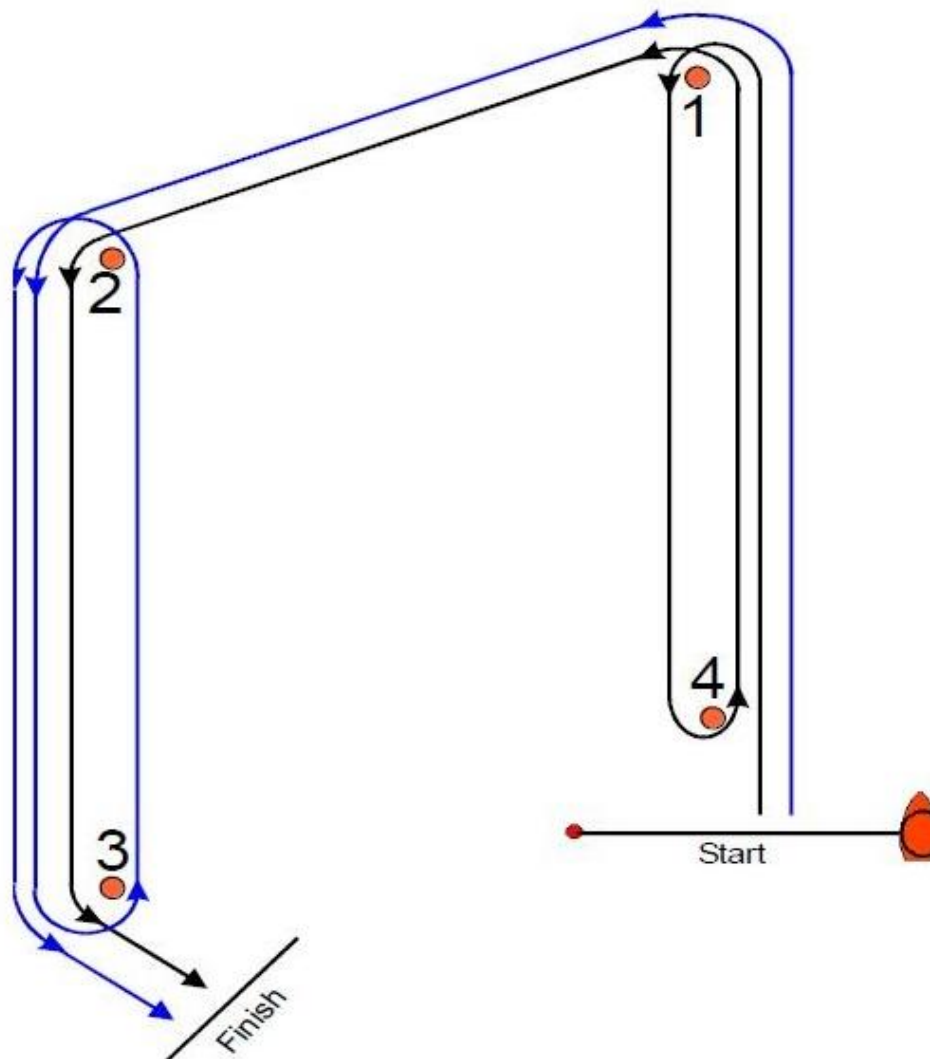
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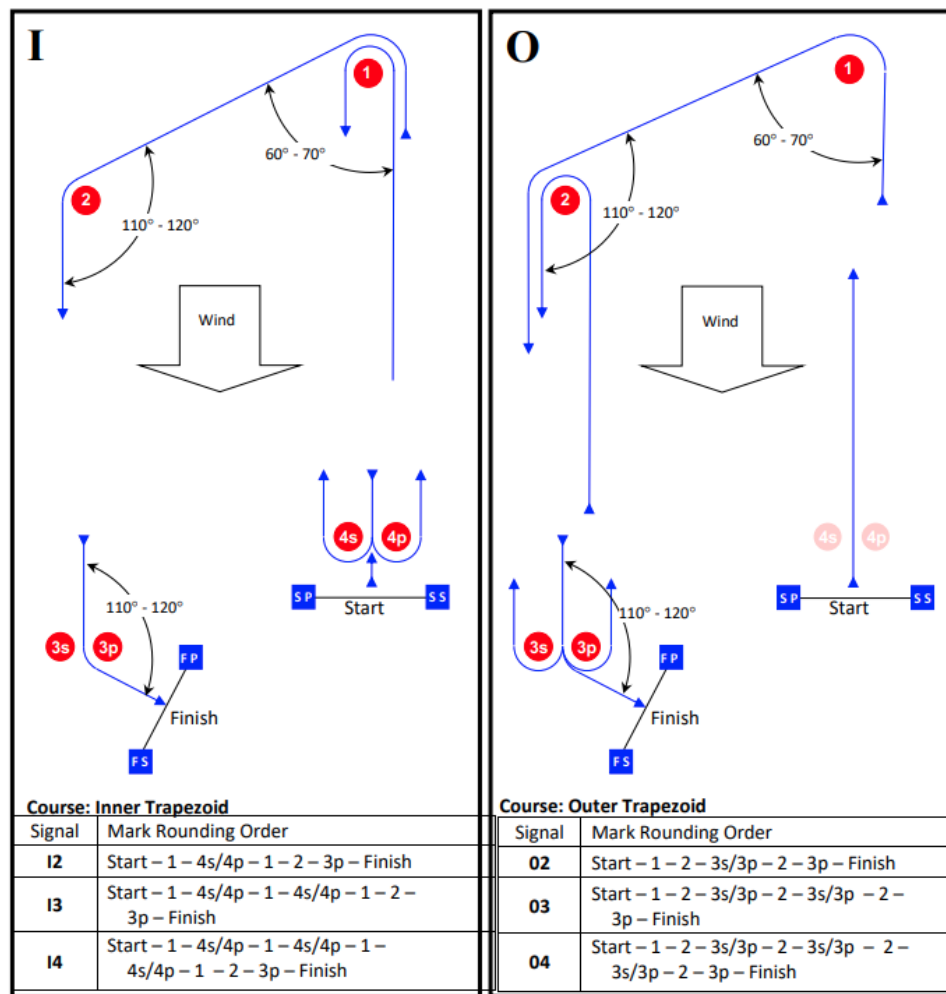
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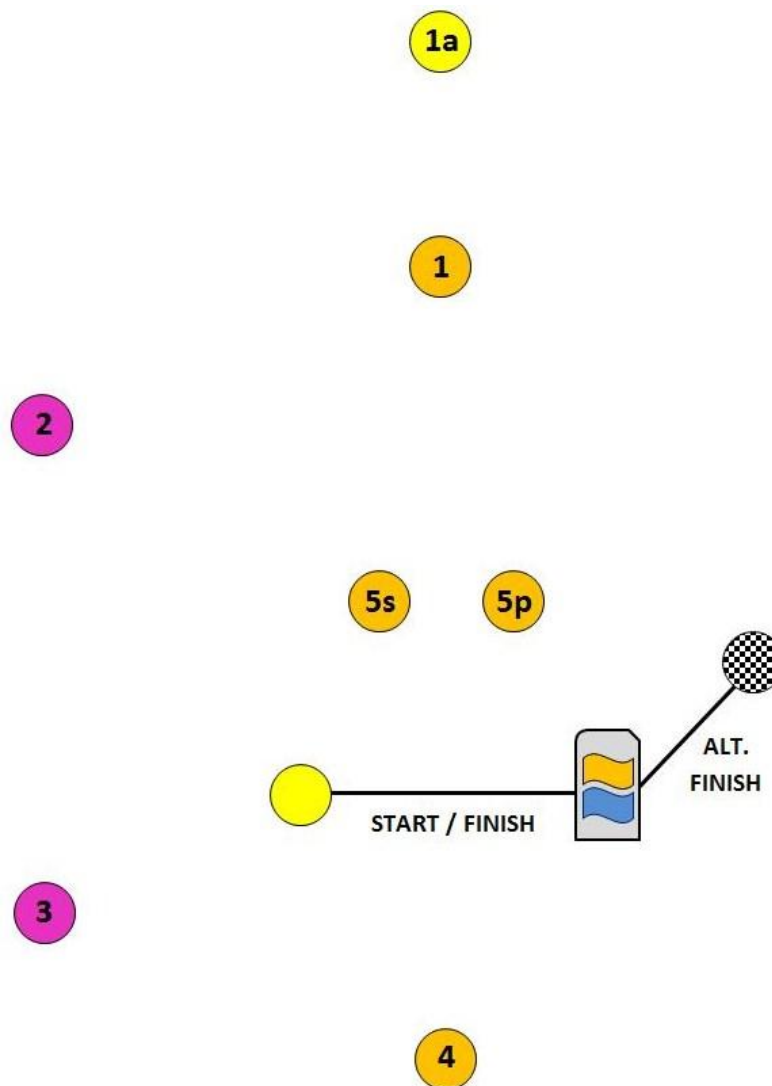
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Course Types

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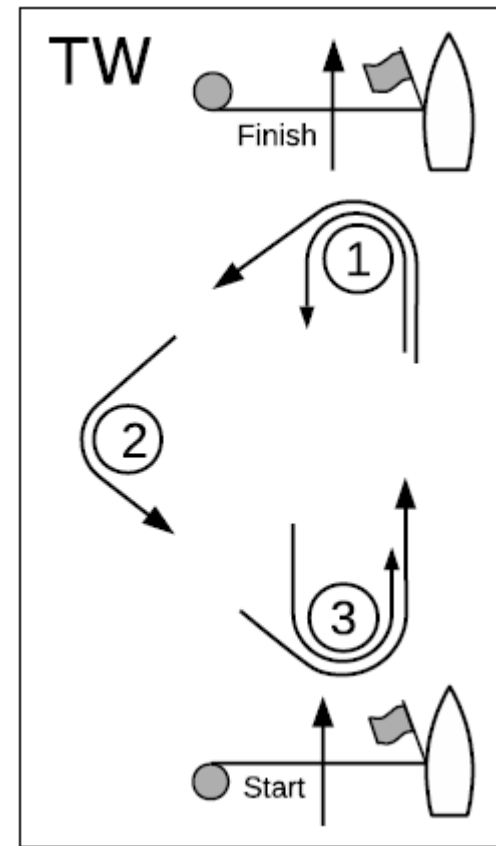
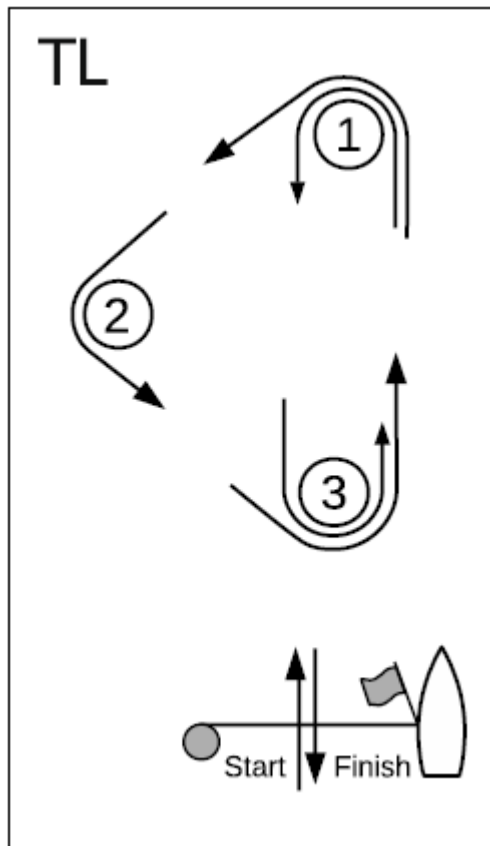




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Triangle

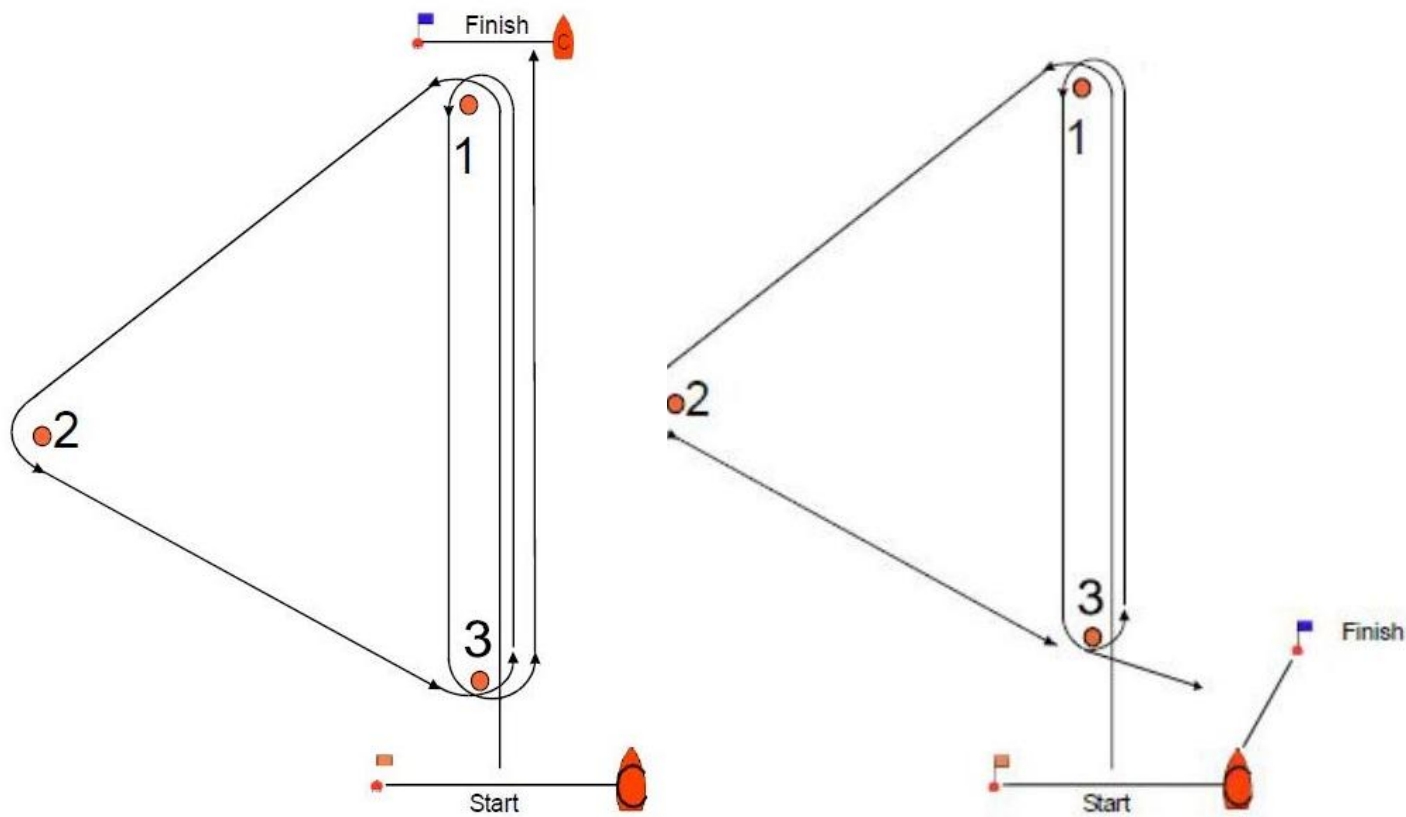




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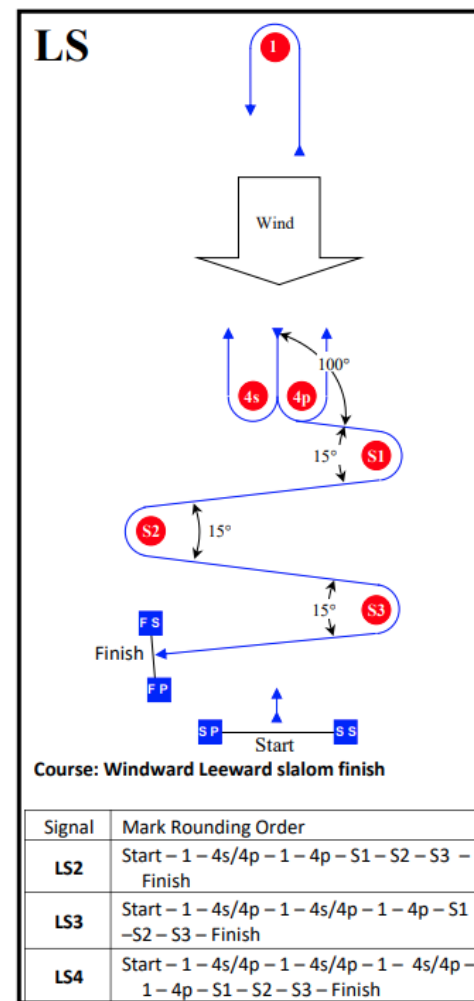
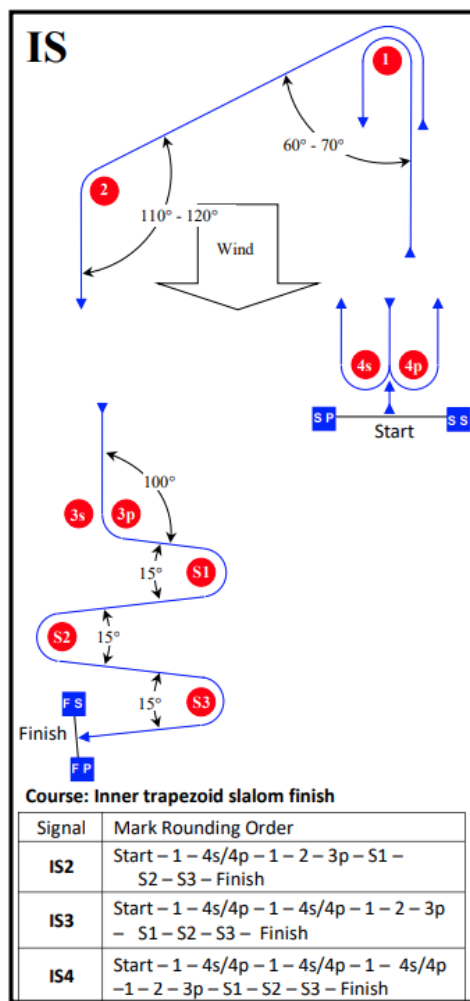
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Course Types

Other Laid Courses





Course Types



Combination Laid & Fixed Mark Courses

COURSE 2 E 12nm

1. Start Hunters Bay
2. Laid Mark Quarantine Head
3. Grotto Point AS
4. Laid Mark Quarantine Head
5. Grotto Point AS
6. Cannae Point AS
7. Rocky Point AS
8. Edwards Beach AS (*)
9. Laid Mark Quarantine Head
10. Rocky Point AS
11. Edwards Beach AS
12. Finish North Harbour





Inspection after Grounding

NOR 11.7 & 11.8

- Cat 1-3 – see SR 3.02.6 for procedure
- Cat 4-7 – MHYC requirement the person in charges inspects for any structural damage and satisfy themselves the vessel is still safe
- All unintentional groundings – rocks or sand/mud, however minor
- Guidelines in SR App C “Model Keel and Rudder Inspection Procedure”





- SailPass is a temporary membership that enables someone who is not a sailing member of an affiliated club to go sailing. To get a SailPass – [click here](#)
- Ensures all crew are affiliated with a club and boats are complying with the racing rules and regulations
- Provides personal accident insurance
- For non-members, SailPass provides a flexible, accessible, easy & affordable introduction to sailing
- Online registration is mobile friendly
- Each MHYC boat that enters any series receives a code for 10 free SailPasses
- Daily SailPass fee is \$15 for 2024-2025





Crew Registration

- Mandatory for all races (NOR 7.4)
- Via SailSys or POB Register (Cat 7)



HOME SAILING LEARN TO SAIL MEMBERSHIP MARINA CRUISING CLUB INFO CONTACT

Sailing > Keelboat Racing > Crew Registration

CREW REGISTRATION

Crew Registration or, at a minimum for Category 7 races the number of Persons on Board (POB), is required for each MHYC race.

This is important for confirming who is on board in case of an emergency and that all crew are conforming to the rules and regulations of our sport and are insured. Crew should record their emergency contact numbers in their SailSys profile along with their Australian Sailing number.

For Safety Category 7 (inshore) events, failure to provide a crew list via SailSys or confirm the number of POB before the yacht's start time will result in a score of DSQ.

To complete the POB Register - [click here](#) To complete a full Crew Registration, go to your yacht's SailSys profile.

For Safety Category 1-6 races, a yacht is required to register all members of its crew via SailSys. Failure to register a crew list before the yacht's start time shall result in a score of DSQ.

To complete a full Crew Registration, go to your yacht's SailSys profile.

For guidance about how to use the SailSys Crew Registration and QR Code Crew Sign On functions - [click here](#)

To check an Australian Sailing Number - [click here](#)

Crew Registration QR Code

Ask your crew to scan the QR code below from your screen. They will be prompted to sign in or create a SailSys account and then be added to your crew for this boat's next race.



POB Registration: CAT 7 only



MHYCTest

Basic Information

Sail No.

MHYC9999

Club

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Make & Model

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Class

Keelboat

Year

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Handicaps

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Technical Information

Boat Admins

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File Library

Crew Management

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Sailing Handbook & Race Docs

- Sailing Handbook
- Sailing Handbook and Individual Race Documents online
<https://mhyc.com.au/sailing/keelboat-division/keelboat-noticeboard>
- By-Laws, Safety & Emergency Procedures
- Season Notice of Race & Series Sailing Instructions
- Inshore Pointscore (Inshore, CCIS, SHSS, CCSS, Feature)
- Feature Event NOR & Individual Race SIs (not in Handbook)
- Regatta NORs and SIs (not in Handbook)







Sailing Handbook 2024-2025





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Important Pages & Information

- Page 11 Safety and Emergency Procedures
- Page 12 Emergency Management
- Page 12 Reporting Marine Incidents
- Page 13 NSW Maritime Brief
- Page 14 Ship & Ferry Exclusion Zone
- Page 15 Harbour Evacuation Points

Emergency on the Water

Call 000

NSW Water Police





Sailing Handbook 2024-2025

Key Changes to the Handbook

- Schedule of Races Table for Inshore ORC/IRC/PHS refers to CCIS, SHSS and Event Sailing Instructions (p45)
- The Inshore Naval Course Chart and MHYC Inshore Courses have been removed. One race of the Inshore Pointscore will have Separate SIs (p45)
- Combined Clubs Sunday Series SIs added (p56)
- The Sow & Pigs AS Mark (SP) is now officially named the Beashel Buoy (BB). Mark Descriptions (p99) and Harbour Charlet updated





Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series



- Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series
- Pursuit racing
- 50 races scheduled across 4 series year-round
- 2 divisions – Average 20 starters
- Some course changes with Naval Mark N3 replacing Clarke Island
- Clubhouse start and finish (unless the start is moved or race shortened)





Thursday Twilight Series



- Thursday Twilight Non-Spinnaker Pursuit Series
- 24 pointscore races and 1 non-pointscore race
- NPS on 3 Oct then 11 races in Pre-Christmas Series
- 13 races in Post-Christmas Series
- 6 races of Smithy's Waterproofing Women's Twilight Series
- On-water start and finish
- Race management volunteers welcomed





Friday Twilight Series



- Fleet racing
- 13 pointscore races – fortnightly during daylight saving
- 2 spinnaker divisions and 1 cruising / non-spinnaker division
- On-water start and finish
- BBQ in the Harbour View afterwards
- Race management volunteers welcomed





Ocean Pointscore Series



- 6 race pointscore series
- CYCA Short Ocean Pointscore Series
(3 race days with MHYC race management)
- Sydney Short Ocean Racing Championship
(3 races over 2 race days)
- All races scored on IRC, ORC and PHS for Divisions 1 & 2





Annual Inshore Pointscore

- 20 race Saturday pointscore series
- Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (10 races)
- Sydney Harbour Sprint Series (9 races over 3 race days)
- MHYC Inshore Race (1 race with separate sailing instructions)
- All races scored on ORC, IRC and PHS for Divisions 1, 2 & 3 with OD results extracted for classes with 4 or more entries





Combined Clubs Inshore Series

- Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (10 races)
- OA is MHYC, MYC, RANSA, RPEYC, RSYS & VYC
- MHYC race management on 28 September, 30 November (with Manly YC) & 1 February
- Similar courses to 2023-2024 but three additional courses



Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore
Series 2024-2025





Sydney Harbour Sprint Series

- Sydney Harbour Sprint Series (18 races) – OA is MHYC
- Inshore Pointscore includes 9 W/L races in the Spring Series
- Spring Series – October 19, November 16 & March 22
- 3 races per day starting at 1200hrs
- Starts for Divisions 1, 2 & 3 with One Design results extracted for classes with four or more entries
- Winter Series – May 17, June 14 & July 19

SYDNEY HARBOUR
SPRINT SERIES





Combined Clubs Sunday Series

- New series jointly run by MHYC and Manly Yacht Club
- Inshore Pointscore includes 5 passage races and 6 windward leeward (sprint) races
- Passage Races – 8 September, 20 October, 17 November, 9 March & 13 April starting at 1255hrs
- Sprints – 13 October (with MC38s) and 16 February (with Adams 10s and possibly FarEast 28R)
- 3 sprint races per day starting at 1155hrs
- Starts for Divisions 1 & 2





Sydney Harbour Womens Keelboat Series



- Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (5 races)
- OA is CYCA, MHYC, MYC, RANSA & RSYS
- MHYC race management on Sunday 29 September 2023
- Concludes with 30th Anniversary Manly Women's Challenge



SYDNEY HARBOUR
WOMEN'S KEELBOAT
SERIES





Feature Events



- 11 races (every month except August)
- Clubhouse start & finish pursuit race (spinnaker & non-spin)





Feature Events



- 21 September – **Commodore's Cup**
- 12 October – **Harbour Trek**
- 23 November – **Seven Islands Race**
- 21 December – **Christmas Cup**
- 11 January – **Chaos Cup & Bedlam Point Cup**
- 8 February – **Picnic Race**
- 8 March – **March Cup**
- 25 April – **Two Up Cup** (ANZAC Day)
- 24 May – **Autumn Sail**
- 21 June – **Welcome to Winter**
- 12 July – **Christmas in July**





Regattas



- 15 September – MC38 Act 5 – cancelled
- 13 October – MC38 Act 6 (with Combined Clubs Sunday Series)
- 3 November – MHYC Womens Melges 20 Regatta
- 8 November – MC 38 Australian Champs (with Friday Twilight)
- 9 & 10 November – MC 38 Australian Championships
- 23 & 24 November – Sydney Short Ocean Racing Championship
- 14 – 16 February – Adams 10 Australian Championships
- 1 & 2 March – Sydney Harbour Regatta
- 10 May – MHYC Womens Regatta 2025
- 20 & 21 June – X-Yachts Aurum Cup





Charity & Corporate Regattas

- Friday, 1 November 2024 SAP Redkite Charity Regatta (CH)
- Friday, 15 November 2024 Giant Steps Charity Regatta (CH)
- Friday, 29 November 2024 ASX Refinitiv Foundation Regatta (OW)
- Friday, 7 March 2025 RFI Spurious Challenge (CH)
- Friday, 21 March 2025 Renewable Energy Cup (OW)

Support through providing a boat, skipper and crew for hosting charity guests is greatly appreciated





MHYC Winter Program



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| • Saturday, 17 May 2025 | 1200 | Sydney Harbour Sprint Winter Series (OW) |
| • Saturday, 24 May 2025 | 1230 | MHYC Feature Race – Autumn Sail |
| • Saturday, 14 June 2025 | 1200 | Sydney Harbour Sprint Winter Series (OW) |
| • Saturday, 21 June 2025 | 1230 | MHYC Feature Race – Welcome to Winter |
| • Saturday, 12 July 2025 | 1230 | MHYC Feature Race – Christmas in July |
| • Saturday, 19 July 2025 | 1200 | Sydney Harbour Sprint Winter Series (OW) |
| • Saturday, 2 August 2025 | 1230 | Leading Edge Pursuit Series |
| • Saturday, 9 August 2025 | 1230 | Leading Edge Pursuit Series |
| • Saturday, 16 August 2025 | 1230 | Leading Edge Pursuit Series |
| • Saturday, 23 August 2025 | 1230 | Leading Edge Pursuit Series |
| • Saturday, 30 August 2025 | 1230 | Leading Edge Pursuit Series |





Online Entry



SailSys Entry System

- Entries for the 2024-2025 are now open – [click here](#)

Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series - Season 2024/25 Entry (All 4 Series)

Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series - Season 2024/25 Entry (All 4 Series)	Includes: Series 1 - Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker 2024/25, Series 2 - Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker 2024/25, Series 3 - Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker 2024/25, Series 4 - Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker 2024/25 Next Race: Race 2, 11th September 2024	Enter
Series 1 - Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker 2024/25	Next Race: Race 2, 11th September 2024	Enter
Series 2 - Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker 2024/25	Next Race: Race 1, 4th December 2024	Enter
Series 3 - Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker 2024/25	Next Race: Race 1, 12th March 2025	Enter
Series 4 - Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker 2024/25	Next Race: Race 1, 11th June 2025	Enter
Feature Events Series 2024-2025		
Commodore's Front Up Cup 2024/25	Next Race: Race 1, 21st September 2024	Enter
ANZAC Day Two Up Cup 2025	Next Race: Race 1, 25th April 2025	Enter
Autumn Sail Feature Race 2024/25	Next Race: Race 1, 24th May 2025	Enter
Chaos Cup & Bedlam Point Cup 2024/25	Includes: Non-Spinnaker Two-Handed Division Next Race: Race 1, 11th January 2025	Enter
Christmas & Veterans Cup 2024/25 (Incorporating Dogs Bowl and Inshore Race)	Includes: Veterans Cup (Boats 90 year +), One-Handed Dogs Bowl (Boat and Skipper 90 year +) Next Race: Race 1, 21st December 2024	Enter
Harbour Trek 2024-2025	Next Race: Race 1, 12th October 2024	Enter
March Cup 2024/25	Next Race: Race 1, 8th March 2025	Enter
Picnic Race 2024/25	Next Race: Race 1, 8th February 2025	Enter





Online Entry



SailSys Entry System (cont'd)

- Discount entry for MHYC Members & Block Series Entries
- Discounted casual race fees for online entry
- Check or update your contact details (email and mobile) in the boat profile to enable notifications via SailSys
- Daily Crew Registration via SailSys is available
- Sailing 10 Pass also available for discounted casual racing in any series (via Reception / Sailing Office)





Race Management & Safety

- **Accredited Race Officers** – Steve Tucker, Toby Gursanscky & David Staley
- **Race Management Volunteers** – Rob Armstrong, Paula Beaumont, Fernando Calero, Brad Hair, Fred Hemming, Bryan Moore, Sue Morris, Rob Ogilvie, John Roxburgh, Chris Saunders, Tracy Saunders-Murray, Renee Spinks, Rachel Ward, Alex Ware, Andrew Ware, Robert Warnes, Greg Young
- **Accredited Protest Committee Members** – Kerry Burke, Geoff Charters, John Crawford, Catherine Rofe, Nathan Blair
- **Accredited Safety Equipment Auditors** – Phil Darling, Tony Levett, Michael McEvoy, Evan Hodge, Bryan Moore, Phil West, Glynne Attersall, Andrew Forbes, Peter Lewis, Matt Miles, Dallas O'Brien, Catherine Rofe, Niclas Westling & Paul Wotherspoon
- **MHYC Sailing Office**
Sailing Manager & Principal Race Officer – David Staley
Sailing Administrators – Catherine Rofe & Kathy Johnston (KJ)





Race Management Volunteers

- Competitor's Race Management Scheme (Handbook p 32) – let Catherine or KJ know the preferred date/s your boat would like to provide a volunteer to assist the team
- Regatta weekends have a high demand for volunteers
- Take the time to help out – you would be surprised what you learn when you volunteer for race management
- On Water and Onshore roles, Saturdays, Sundays & Midweek
- Informal and formal training opportunities are available (race management & officiating, powerboat handling, radio etc.)





Reminders – Procedures

- Read the By-Laws, Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions
- Notices to Competitors are posted on the [Keelboat Racing Noticeboard](#)
- Clubhouse Start and Finish Restricted Areas (NOR 15.1) – moorings
- Spit Channel (NOR 15.3) – give way to vessels using the channel
- Clubhouse pre-start area (NOR 16.5) – D Arm to Start Line before Prep
- Check in at the Start Boat (NOR 18.1) except for Thursday Twilights
- Do not sail through the finish line unless finishing (NOR 19.2)
- As a courtesy – avoid sailing through active start and finish lines (when orange or blue flags are displayed)
- Advise Race Committee if retiring (NOR 20)





Reminders – Procedures

- A written incident report must be forward to NSW Maritime within 24 hours if one of the following applies:
 - The incident has resulted in the death, or injury to, a person
 - The incident has result in damage in excess of \$5000 to a vessel or any other property
 - Damage or risk to the environment has occurred
- Incident Report Form online (MHYC or NSW Maritime website)





Reminders – Safety & Information

- Race management and safety information is transmitted on VHF Channel 72 for most MHYC Series
- Race management and safety information is transmitted on VHF Channel 73 for the Combined Clubs Inshore Series
- Alternative race management frequencies may be advised
- Recommended that the Race Management Channel be monitored from 30 minutes before the first warning signal until the conclusion of racing





Reminders – Events



- MHYC Season Opening Day 10am on Saturday 21 September
 - Welcome & Morning Tea
 - Sail Past & Matt Pyne Cup for best dressed boat
 - Commodore's Front Up! Cup Feature Event
 - Prizegiving & Live Music
 - Cruising Group Get Together
- Skippers & Crew Meet & Greet 7pm on Thursday 26 September
 - Skippers can outline their program
 - Crew looking for a regular sail
- Thursday Twilight Warm-Up Race 5pm on Thursday 3 October





Questions





Thankyou!

Good luck for Season 2024-2025

