



SECTION 2

COMBINED CLUBS SERIES

The notation [NP] in a rule of the sailing instructions (SI's) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2. SAFETY CATEGORIES – Division 1 and 2 will be Category 5 except that a permanently installed VHF Radio is mandatory. This changes AS SR Part 1 3.25.1 (b)(iii). Division 3 and 4 will be Category 7. In all cases AS SR Section 5, 5.01.1 (i) (on a boat without lifelines complying with 3.12, a lifejacket complying with 5.01.1(i), shall be worn by each member of the crew while on deck) shall apply.
- 1.3. ANCHORS - While racing boats shall not allow deck-stowed anchors to protrude outside of the hull limits. Anchors which are stowed as an integral part of the bowsprit and whose shaft is secured within a slot on the boat are permitted.
- 1.4. [NP] NUMBER OF CREW - All boats are to carry a sufficient number of crew as per NoR 1.4. Requests for dispensation from the requirements of NoR 1.4 must be submitted to the Organising Authority (OA) at least 48 hours prior to the first Warning Signal of the Series or, for casual entries, 48 hours before the first Warning Signal of each race day. Boats failing to comply will be scored DSQ without a hearing for the Series or the respective race in the case of casual entries. This modifies RRS A5.1. Boats granted dispensation to sail two handed may use autohelm devices. This changes RRS 52.
- 1.5. STARTING AND FINISHING LINE PENALTIES
 - 1.5.1. After a Warning Signal has been made, boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose warning signal has been made. Boats who have finished shall keep clear of the finishing line and boats which are yet to finish.
 - 1.5.2. Boats shall not sail through any starting or finishing line except when starting or finishing correctly or as required by the SI's.
 - 1.5.3. Boats shall not sail through the starting or finishing line of other sailing events.
 - 1.5.4. The starting or finishing lines referred to in 1.5.2 and 1.5.3 shall be designated obstructions in accordance with the definitions of the RRS.
 - 1.5.5. A boat committing a breach of 1.5.2 or 1.5.3 while boats are in a starting sequence or finishing on that starting or finishing line, as reported by the race committee conducting the start or finish, will be scored DSQ without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1.
 - 1.5.6. A boat committing a breach of 1.5.2 or 1.5.3 when boats are not in a starting sequence or finishing shall be penalised by having two (2) minutes added to their elapsed time without a hearing. This Changes RRS A5.1.
- 1.6. TIME LIMIT - The time limit will be 18:30. Boats that have not then finished will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF) without a hearing. This changes Rule 35 and A5.1.

2. CREW DECLARATION

- 2.1 For each day of racing a boat shall submit a Crew Declaration via [TOPYACHT](#) before its warning signal. The Crew Declaration shall confirm that the boat intends to race and shall include required details of persons on board as follows:

- i Name;
- ii Contact phone number; and
- iii Australian Sailing Number in accordance with SI 2.3.

- 2.2 [NP] Boats that do not comply with SI 2.1. will be scored DSQ without a hearing for the relevant race. This changes RRS A5.1.

- 2.3 All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46, all participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to Australian Sailing or hold a valid SailPass.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to these SIs will be posted on the online [Official Notice Board](#) by 17:00 on the Friday before the race. Copies of notices may be placed on the notice board of the club assigned to conduct the race.

4. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 4.1. All competitors shall maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 14 for announcements by the Race Committee. Competitors should also monitor VHF Channel 16 at all times.
- 4.2. The Race Committee may broadcast the course to be sailed, names/sail numbers of OCS boats and/or other information of interest to competitors. Failure to notify individual recalls by radio shall not be grounds for redress.

5. CODE OF CONDUCT

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Groups 1 and 2 may have up to two (2) races on each race day. It is not intended to run any short course windward leeward racing.
- 6.2 Group 3 and 4 will have one (1) race on each day.
- 6.3 There will be no warning signal after 16:00

RACE	DAY	DATE	HOST CLUB	START	FINISH	VHF Channel
Day 1	Saturday	10 Oct 2026	BYC	Midriver	Midriver	VHF Channel 14
Day 2	Saturday	31 Oct 2026	RYCT	Midriver	Midriver	VHF Channel 14
Day 3	Saturday	28 Nov 2026	DSS	Midriver	Midriver	VHF Channel 14
Day 4	Saturday	13 Feb 2027	BYC	Midriver	Midriver	VHF Channel 14
Day 5	Saturday	27 Feb 2027	RYCT	Midriver	Midriver	VHF Channel 14
Day 6	Saturday	20 Mar 2027	DSS	Midriver	Midriver	VHF Channel 14

If a race day is unable to proceed due to poor weather conditions, the Combined Clubs Committee will endeavour to schedule a resail on a suitable day.

7. GROUPS

The Combined Clubs Series will be conducted in allocated groups. The Race Committee will allocate boats according to size, known performance and TCF handicaps (where known). The composition of each group will be displayed on each club's notice board and be available from 16:00 on the Friday before the first race of the series.

8. FIRST WARNING SIGNAL TIMES & GROUP IDENTIFIERS

Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.

GROUP	WARNING SIGNAL	GROUP NUMERAL
Group 1	13:25	1
Group 2	13:30	2
Group 3	13:35	3
Group 4	13:45	4

9. STARTING AREA, STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

9.1 STARTING LINE – MIDRIVER

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and a yellow inflatable buoy.

The Committee Boat will be moored in an area bounded by a line between Castray Esplanade and Kangaroo Bluff to the north and Crayfish Point and Trywork Point to the south. The name of the Committee Boat for the day will be posted on the start list. It will be standing by on VHF Channel 14 if competitors require directions to the starting line.

9.2 FINISHING LINE – MIDRIVER

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee boat and a black and white chequered buoy.

10. STARTING TIMES AND STARTING INSTRUCTIONS

10.1. After each start there may be a 30 second time lag in the displaying of the new Group identifier and course flag/course board but the time for the succeeding Group shall be taken from the signal indicating the start of the previous Group. This changes RRS 26.

10.2. Competitors may be advised of starting procedure signals on VHF Channel 14.

10.3. **Note:** Boats should not transmit on VHF Channel 14 whilst a starting sequence is in progress except in an emergency.

11. SHORTENING COURSE

Should the Race Committee decide to shorten course, Code flag S will be displayed on the Race Committee Boat. This will be accompanied by two (2) sound signals and shall apply to all Groups unless group numeral signals are displayed, in which case it shall apply only to those Groups whose signal is displayed.

12. COURSE SIGNALS

12.1. Courses will be indicated by course boards displayed on the Race Committee Boat.

12.2. A windward **laid mark (mark 1)** may be laid as the first mark of the course after the start. This mark will be an orange inflatable buoy and if deployed will be laid approximately to windward at a distance of approximately 2.0 or more nautical miles from the starting line. The direction of rounding the windward mark will be indicated on the Race Committee Boat – green for starboard rounding and red for port rounding. If no signal is made, this mark is deleted from the course. The deployment or non-deployment of this mark may be advised by VHF Channel 14. Failure to advise will not be grounds for redress.

13. RACING AREA

The Combined Clubs Series will be sailed on the River Derwent, Storm Bay and D'Entrecasteaux Channel.

14. COURSES

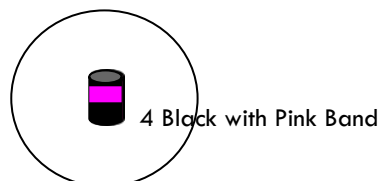
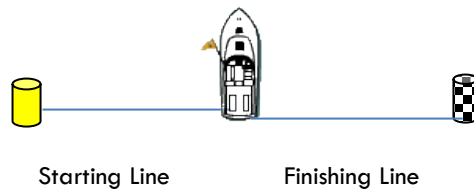
14.1. LAID MARK COURSES – REFER DIAGRAM BELOW

ALL MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

Boats shall only pass through the starting or finishing line when required to do so by the course description.

COURSE

- 01 Start → 1A → 2 → 3 → Finish → 1A → 3 → Finish
- 02 Start → 1 → 2 → 3 → Finish → 1 → 3 → Finish
- 03 Start → 1A → 3 → Finish → 1A → 3 → Finish
- 04 Start → 1 → 3 → Finish → 1 → 3 → Finish
- 05 Start → 1A → 3 → Finish
- 06 Start → 1 → 3 → Finish



Change of the next leg of the course.

To change the next leg of a course, in courses 01 to 06, a new mark as described below will be laid and the original mark will be removed as soon as practicable.

The new mark for Mark 1A will be a yellow mark with a black band. The new mark for Mark 1 will be an orange mark with a black band.

In a subsequent change of course the new mark/s will be replaced with the original mark/s.

14.2. FIXED AND LAID MARK COURSES – REFER COURSE CARDS.

NOTE: SI 12.2 allows for a windward mark to be laid as the first mark of the course. Refer SI 12.2

ALL MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

		APPROX. DISTANCE NM
07	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → P → H → 3 → Finish → P → 3 → Finish	10.3
08	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → T → H → 3 → Finish → T → 3 → Finish	14.3
09	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → T → H → 3 → Finish → P → 3 → Finish	12.5
10	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → C → H → C → P → 3 → Finish	13.8
11	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → R → 3 → Finish → T → 3 → Finish	16.5
12	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → R → 3 → Finish → P → 3 → Finish	17.0
13	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → ZC → H → ZC → 3 → Finish	16.8
14	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → Q → 3 → Finish → G → 3 → Finish	20.1
15	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → C → 3 → Finish → C → 3 → Finish → G → 3 → Finish	16.3
16	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → ZC → R → 3 → Finish	12.0

COURSES 17 – 33 – SHALL BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO STARBOARD UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

		APPROX. DISTANCE NM
17	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → R → ZC → 3 (to port) → Finish	12.0
18	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → H → T → C → 3 (to port) → Finish	09.0
19	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → PH → 3 (to port) → Finish → G → 3 (to port) → Finish	19.0
20	Ralphs Bay – John Garrow mark - Ralphs Bay Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → R → G → R → 3 (to port) → Finish	16.6
21	Pigeon Holes & Blackmans Bay Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → PH → Q → 3 (to port) → Finish	16.9
22	White Rock – John Garrow mark – White Rock Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → WR → G → WR → 3 (to port) → Finish	18.7
23	Seacroft Bay Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → S → 3 (to port) → Finish	19.4
24	Seacroft Bay & Blackmans Bay Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → S → Q → 3 (to port) → Finish	20.9
25	Ralphs Bay & Piersons Point Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → R → K → 3 (to port) → Finish	21.5
26	Pigeon Holes, John Garrow mark & White Rock Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → PH → G → WR → 3 (to port) → Finish	22.2
27	Blackmans Bay, Ralphs Bay & Blackmans Bay Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → Q (to Port) → R (to Port) → Q (to Starboard) → 3 (to port) → Finish	24.2

28	Seacroft Bay, Blackmans Bay & Seacroft Bay	27.4
	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → S → Q → S (Port) → 3 (to port) → Finish	
29	Bull Bay	24.8
	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → BB → 3 (to port) → Finish	
30	Bligh Point – Channel Race	25.4
	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → E (to Port) → 3 (to port) → Finish	
31	Little Betsey Island	28.4
	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → Little Betsey Island → 3 (to port) → Finish	
32	Yellow Bluff	28.7
	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → Y → 3 (to port) → Finish	
33	Black Jack Rocks	29.0
	Start → Laid Mark (refer SI 12.2) → Black Jack Rocks → 3 (to port) → Finish	

14.3. COURSES 34 – 38 FOR DIVISION 4 JIB AND MAIN CRUISING DIVISION

COURSES 34 – 36 – SHALL BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

- 34 Start → J → M → JGL → P → 4 → Finish
- 35 Start → JGL → P → H → B1 → WP → M → 4 → Finish
- 36 Start → T → H → WP (to starboard) → J → 4 → Finish

COURSES 37 – 38 – SHALL BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO STARBOARD UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

- 37 Start → H → T → JGL → M → J → 4 (to port) → Finish
- 38 Start → J → B2 → T → WP → 4 (to port) → Finish

15. MARKS – POSITIONS, BEARING AND DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY

- 1 Orange inflatable buoy laid directly to windward of the Committee Boat
- 1A Yellow inflatable buoy laid directly to windward of the Committee Boat
- 2 Orange inflatable buoy laid as per diagram in 15.2
- 3 Orange inflatable buoy laid directly to leeward of the Committee Boat
- 4 Black with a Pink band inflatable buoy laid offset to mark 3 (as per 14.1 above). The buoy may be moved within 0.3 NM circle from that position.
- B1 Yellow permanent mark 0.5 NM SE, Kangaroo Bluff (BYC1 Permanent).
- B2 Yellow permanent mark 1.2 NM SSE of Kangaroo Bluff (BYC2 Permanent).
- BB Yellow inflatable buoy 0.3 NM E of Bull Bay Point (~43 05.4'S 147 22.9'E).
- C Yellow inflatable buoy approximately 0.5 NM E of Cartwright Point. The buoy may be moved within 0.5 NM circle from that position.
- E Yellow inflatable buoy 0.4 NM W of Bligh Point.
- G Orange inflatable buoy with a black band 0.3 NM E of John Garrow Light. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 NM circle from that position.

- H Orange permanent float mark 0.25 NM SW of Howrah Point.
- J Yellow permanent mark 0.1 NM NE of Gumpowder Jetty (Government House Permanent).
- JGL John Garrow Light.
- K Orange inflatable buoy 0.5 NM NE of Piersons Point (~43 02.9'S 147 21.0'E).
- M Yellow permanent mark 0.1 NM NNE of Maning Reef.
- P Yellow permanent float mark 0.5 NM SW of Punch's Reef.
- PH Yellow inflatable buoy 0.6 NM WNW of The Pigeon Holes (~43 00.3'S 147 23.1'E). The buoy may be moved within 0.3 NM circle from that position.
- Q Orange inflatable buoy 0.3 NM E of the northern end of Blackmans Bay (~43.00.03'S 147 20.26'E). The buoy may be moved within 0.3 NM circle from that position.
- R Orange inflatable buoy in Ralphs Bay 0.8 NM SSE of Droughty Point (~42 57.2'S 147 25.5'E). The buoy may be moved within 0.5 NM circle from that position.
- S Orange inflatable buoy in Seacroft Bay midway between Johns Point and Cape Deliverance (~43 02.5'S 147 24.3'E).
- T Orange permanent float mark 0.4 NM SW of Tranmere Point.
- WP White pyramid permanent mark 150m E of Wrest Point.
- WR Orange inflatable buoy laid 0.5 NM from, and within an arc, NW to SW of White Rock.
- Y Orange inflatable buoy 0.5 NM North of Yellow Bluff (~43 07. 2'S 147 24.0'E).
- ZC Yellow inflatable buoy 0.4 NM SE of Crayfish Point. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 NM circle from

16. HANDICAPS

- 16.1 Competitors in the Combined Clubs Series will have a PHS handicap. The Handicap Committee will set the handicaps before the first race of the series, and these may be adjusted after each race. The Race Committee's choice of handicap is final and shall not be grounds for protest.
- 16.2 The Race Committee may, subject to minimum entry requirements as per SI 21.3, provide an ORCc result.
- 16.3 Boats entering ORCc must have a current, valid audited ORCc certificate or a current, valid ORCi certificate. The Single Number Scoring Option, All Purpose (AP) Time on Time will be used for scoring.

17. RESULTS

- 17.1. Official provisional result sheets will be posted on the Combined Clubs website as soon as practical following the race. The time of posting thereof will be shown on the result sheet. Results may be posted on each club's Notice Board as soon as possible after the race.
- 17.2. Races will be scored based on PHS handicaps and ORC ratings.

18. SCORING. RRS A2.2 does not apply.

18.1. MINIMUM NUMBER OF RACES

Two (2) races are required to be scored to constitute a series.

18.2. SERIES SCORE – All groups RRS A5.3. will apply.

18.2.1 When fewer than six (6) races have been scored, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

18.2.2 When six (6) or more races have been scored, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18.3. Boats wishing to compete in World Sailing or Australian Sailing sanctioned World and or National Championships and associated delivery during the Combined Clubs Sailing Season 2026-27 may apply to the Combined Clubs Committee to be awarded average points for a nominated race in the Series. If the application to the Combined Clubs Committee is successful, then this changes RRS 61 and average points will be calculated as per RRS Appendix A9 (a).

19. PROTESTS

Protests must be lodged at the BYC, DSS or RYCT within two (2) hours of the last boat finishing in the last race of the day or the Race Committee signalling 'No More Racing Today'. The protest will be heard at a time determined by the Protest Committee.

20. PRIZES

20.1. A Series Prize will be awarded to the first boat in each Combined Clubs Series Group.

20.2. Additional prizes may be awarded but the OA reserve the right to vary the number of prizes awarded based on the number of entries as follows:

- Three (3) to Five (5) entries 1st prize
- Six (6) or more entries 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes

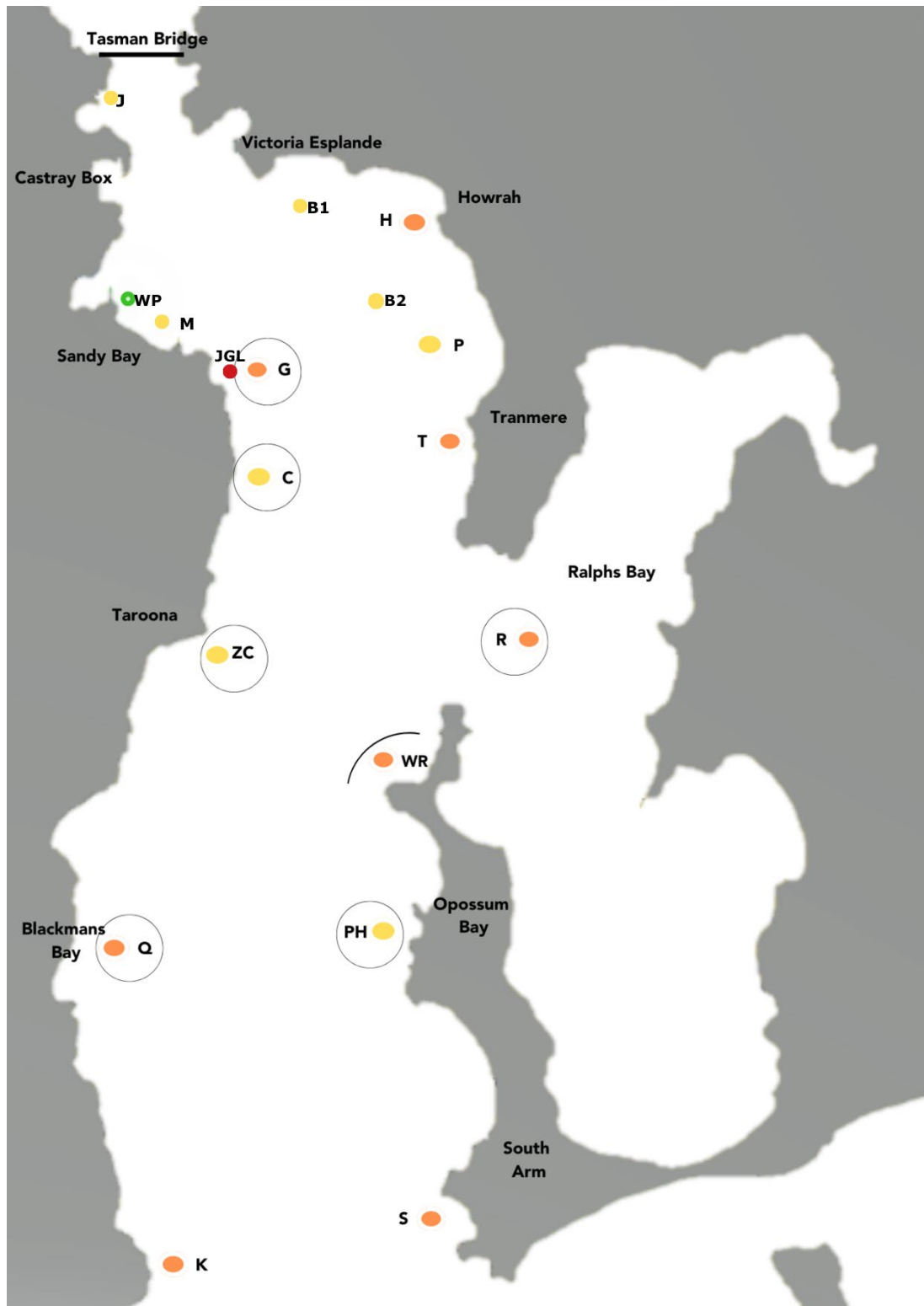
20.3. A minimum of three (3) entries are required to constitute a Group.

20.4. Individual race day prizes may be awarded by the Host Club after the race.

21. RETIREMENTS

Any boat retiring shall report the fact to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

SECTION 2 COMBINED CLUBS COURSE MAP



Disclaimer: note map not to scale positions are approximate only.