

Peel Island Marathon Sailing Instructions



SUNSTATE WATERSPORTS 53RDPEEL ISLAND MARATHON SUNDAY 28TH APRIL 2024

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: CLEVELAND YACHT CLUB

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The races and series will be governed by the 2021-2024 Australian Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing, the constitution of the Cleveland Yacht Club Inc., the class rules of the respective classes except as any of these are altered by these Sailing Instructions.

2 TIME LIMIT

Boats that do not cross the finish line before 1600 hrs will be scored as Did Not Finish (DNF). **This changes RRS Rule 35.**

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the CYC website at https://www.cyc.asn.au/peel-island-marathon/.

Yachts will be notified on VHF Channel 11 no later than 60 minutes before their start time.

4 CHANGE TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be advised at least one hour prior to the scheduled start time. Changes will be posted on the official notice board located on the CYC website at https://www.cyc.asn.au/peel-island-marathon/pim-sailing-instructions/.

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5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag staffs on the eastern side of the clubhouse.



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6 DIVISIONS, SCHEDULE & CLASS FLAGS

Yachts/Sportsboats - Briefing (via VHF Channel 11) 9:20 am

All other divisions - Registration 8:30 am

Briefing 9:50 am

Entries will be divided into the following divisions:

Division	Details	Start Time	Class Flag
Div 1 - Yachts			NUMERAL PENNANT 1
		10:30 am	
Div 10 - Sportsboats			
Div 5 – Multihull C	VYC above 85.5		NUMERAL PENNANT 2
Div 8 – Multihull A	With Spinnaker VYC above 85.5	10:40 am	
Div 9 – Windsurfers	Open (Foiling and Non-foiling)		
Div 7 - Trailable Yachts			NUMERAL PENNANT 3
Div 2 - Monohull		11:00 am	
Div 3 - Skiffs	12ft, 14ft, 16ft, 29ers, 49ers, 505s,	11.00 am	
	foiling/planing boats, etc.		
Div 4 - Multihull B	VYC 85.5 or less		NUMERAL PENNANT 4
Div 6 - Multihull D	With Spinnaker VYC 85.5 or less,	11:20 am	
	and foilers		

7 RACING AREA

Refer course maps at https://www.cyc.asn.au/peel-island-marathon/course-maps/

8 THE COURSES

The courses available on https://www.cyc.asn.au/peel-island-marathon/course-maps/, show the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left, together with relevant GPS positions. The course will be announced at the briefing and over Channel 11.

Course 1, 2, 3 or 4 Multihull A, B & C, D, Skiffs, Windsurfers

Course 3 or 4 (1 Lap only)

Monohull, Trailable Yachts

Course 3, 4, 5 or 6 Yachts, Sportsboats



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9 COURSE FLAGS

No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display a red flag, indicating a port course, or a green flag, indicating a starboard course, around Peel Island will be sailed.

10 MARKS

Starting mark, and mark A are large orange cylinder buoys. Marks B, C, D, E, F, G, H & I are all navigation marks.

11 THE START

The races will be started as follows. This changes **RRS Rule 26**.

Course Flag: The course flag shall be raised prior to the warning signal

signaling the starter's vessel is on station for the start.

Warning Signal: 5 minutes before the start, the class flag will be raised, and a

sound signal may be given.

Preparatory 4 minutes before the start time, code flag I will be raised, and

Signal: a sound signal may be given.

Attention signal: 1 minute before the start time code flag I will be lowered, and

a sound signal may be given.

Starting Signal: The starting signal is the lowering of the class flag, and a sound

signal may be given.

All classes will start under code flag I. RRS 44.3 applies.

11.1 STARTING LINE

The starting line will be between the starter vessel's mast (if it does not have a mast, the front edge of the centre console) at the starboard end and a buoy at the port end.

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11.2 BOATS YET TO START

Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

11.3 STARTING TIME LIMIT

A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored as Did Not Start (DNS).

12 THE FINISH

The finish line will be the transit between the Cleveland Yacht Club race box extending past the port marker in front of the club. Boats will cross in the direction of the course (i.e. if the course is a port course then boats will finish travelling south, if starboard, then north), and will cross between the port marker and an adjacent orange buoy.

12.1 KEEPING CLEAR OF FINISHING LINE

At all times, unless completing the course, competitors must not cross the finish line. In the case of a competitor crossing the finish line or finishing incorrectly before completing their specified course they will be scored as Disgualified (DSQ).

13 SHORTENED COURSE

Course may be shortened by a vessel stationed adjacent to a mark of the course flying code flag **S** accompanied with two sounds. Boats must proceed between the mark and the vessel flying code flag **S** and proceed directly to the finish line from that point observing mark A in the original intended direction. This changes **RRS Rule 32.2**.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

A single penalty turn will apply in all instances that penalty turn(s) are applicable. This overrides **RRS Rule 44.1**.

15 TIME LIMITS

Boats that do not cross the finish line before 1600 hrs will be scored as Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.



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16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 LOGGING A PROTEST

Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit. A fee of \$10 shall accompany the protest form when it is lodged.

16.2 PROTEST TIME LIMIT

For each division, the protest time limit is thirty (30) minutes after the last boat in their respective division has finished. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes **RRS Rule 61.3** and **RRS Rule 62.2**.

16.3 PROTEST NOTIFICATION

Notices will be posted within thirty (30) minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the clubhouse of Cleveland Yacht Club beginning at the time specified by the head of the protest committee and detailed on the notice of protest.

16.4 COMMITTEE PROTEST NOTIFICATION

Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under **RRS Rule 61.1(b)**.

17 SCORING

The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 SIGN ON / SIGN OFF

All competitors will be required to sign-on prior to the warning signal of each race and sign-off on completion of the course as soon as practically possible. Sign on / sign off sheets will be available until 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the race.



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Competitors who retire from a race are required to notify the race committee and by indicating their failure to finish on the Sign-on / Sign-off sheet as soon as possible on return to the club.

Competitors failing to sign on will be deemed not to have entered the race (Did Not Compete); those failing to sign off will be disqualified (DSQ).

Failure to notify a change of rig which gives advantage to a sailor's boat will result in disqualification from the race.

Yachts and sportsboats shall sign on and off by Radio on VHF Channel 11

18.2 BUOYANCY VESTS

The use of a buoyancy vest of adequate design and in sound condition is mandatory for all off the beach boats & yachts / sportsboats / trailable yachts without lifelines. The decision of the race committee on the suitability of the equipment will be final. The decision of the race committee based on Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 Rule 1 & 5 and Australian Sailing Special Regulations – Australian Sailing Recommendations Part 1 & 2 as to the suitability of the equipment will be final.

18.3 OUTSIDE HELP

A boat may receive outside help as provided for in RRS 1.1 and, in addition, where the Organising Authority (OA) deems that the vessel and its crew require assistance in order to right a capsized vessel and/or return its crew to the vessel in order to continue racing.

The modifies RRS 41 and is in addition to the conditions outlined in RRS 41.

19 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be identified by displaying the Cleveland Yacht Club burgee.

20 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall not make radio transmissions while racing. They may also not receive radio communications unless they are in the Yacht, Sportsboat or Trailer Sailer divisions. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

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21 PRIZES

The results of the Multihull, Monohull and Skiff divisions will be established using the Australian Sailing yardstick system.

The results of the Trailable Yacht and Sportsboat divisions will be established using the Australian Class Based Handicap (CBH) system.

The results of the Yacht division will be established using the ORCi/ORCc system where available for the boat or similar established from the ORC database for a similar boat.

The results of the Windsurfer - Open division will be based on Line Honours.

Prizes will be awarded to the first 3 boats in each race division with 5 or more entries. For divisions with less than 5 entries, only first prize will be awarded.

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Attention is drawn to the Australian Sailing RRS 2021-2024 Part 1 Fundamental Rules -Section 3 DECISION TO RACE,

"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Competitors participating in sailing at Cleveland Yacht Club do so entirely at their own risk.

The Cleveland Yacht Club Inc. and all parties involved in the organisation of events will not accept any liability for loss, material damage or personal injury or death sustained on conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after any event.

The Cleveland Yacht Club Inc. and all parties involved in the organisation of events are not responsible for the seaworthiness, or adequacy of a boat whose entry is accepted. In accordance with **RRS Rule 76** the Cleveland Yacht Club Inc. reserves the right to refuse any entry.

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000.



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24 RACE CANCELLATION

If the average wind strength exceeds 22kts, or a Strong Wind Warning is current 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the first start, or the race committee determines it is unsafe to proceed, the race may be cancelled. This decision will be based on individual divisions. If the strong wind warning occurs after the start or the race committee determines it is unsafe to proceed, CYC reserves the right to abandon the race. This can also apply to individual divisions.



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