



Sailing Season 2025 - 2026

Off The Beach

Sailing Instructions Version 5

Effective 13th October, 2025



The Organising Authority is the Royal Brighton Yacht Club Inc (RBYC)

Version Number	Effective Date	Revision
2	8/10/2025	Remove mark 2P as a required mark prior to finish
3	14/10/2025	SI 7 – Races use a 3 minute start sequence SI 10 - All boats have a one-turn penalty Appendix A – if one gate mark is missing, leave remaining mark to port Appendix B – if mark 2 is not laid, use start pin as leeward mark
4	23/04/2026	Appendix A – New courses
5	19/05/2026	Appendix A – New course diagram

1. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 1.1. The Official Notice Board is the Online Notice Board located at - <https://sailingresults.net/sa/notice/?ID=3>

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than two hours before it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag mast situated on the western perimeter of the RBYC OTB Yard.
- 3.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

4. CLASS FLAGS

- 4.1. Class flags will be class logo.

5. THE COURSES

- 5.1. The courses and marks are as described in Appendix A.
- 5.2. All marks are to be rounded to port except the gate mark.
- 5.3. Courses for each division will be displayed on a board or by signal flag located at the stern of the Committee Vessel no later than 5 minutes before the start of said division.

6. MARKS

- 6.1. Laid Marks are described in [Appendix A & B](#)

7. THE START

- 7.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 7.2. Course 3 – Foiling start will be between the stern of the race committee vessel and a yellow stick mark.
- 7.3. The Warning Signal will be made 3 minutes prior to the starting signal. This changes RRS 26.

8. THE FINISH

- 8.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

9. TIME LIMITS

- 9.1. For iQFoil: Target Time 15 minutes; Finishing Window: 10 minutes
- 9.2. All other classes: Target Time 30 minutes; Finishing Window: 15 minutes
- 9.3. Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. RRS 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that the two-turn penalty is replaced with a one-turn penalty.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 11.1. Protests can be made online at following [Link to Online Protest](#) . Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be posted online &/or delivered to the RBYC Sailing Office within the appropriate time limit. This changes RRS S 13.1.
- 11.2. The protest time limit is 60 minutes (1 hour) after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 11.3. 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 and where the hearings will be held.

12. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 12.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

13. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1. For each race session boats intending to race shall "sign on" either via mobile phone or at the Regatta Office before departing the beach and shall "sign off" either via mobile phone or at the Regatta Office upon their return after racing.

Failure to sign on prior to racing or off prior to protest cutoff time will result in a 3-point penalty for the first race of the day. This changes RRS A4.

APPENDIX A - OTB Courses

Description of Marks

If one of the gate marks is missing boats shall round the one existing leeward mark to port.

Mark	Description
Start pin	Yellow
1	Pink
1a	Stick with orange flag
2P/S	Orange
3 & 4	Yellow
Finish	Black/White checkered
1 Change mark	Pink & Black band

SINGLE HANDERS (ILCA/RS100 etc)

Course	Course to be sailed
1	Start – 1, 4 – Finish
2	Start – 1 – 2p/s – 1, 4- Finish

Optimist

Course	Course to be sailed
1	Start – 1a, 4 – Finish
2	Start – 1a – 2p/s – 1a - Finish

MUTLI HANDERS (420, 29er, Quest)

Course	Course to be sailed
1	Start – 1, 3,4 – Finish
2	Start – 1 – 2p/s, 3, 4 - Finish



1



1a



2S



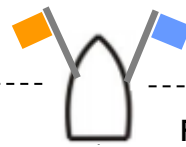
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Start



Finish



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APPENDIX B – OTB Courses Thursdays

Description of Marks

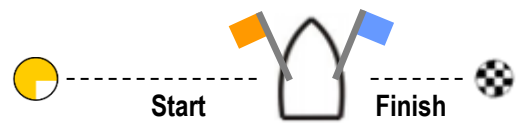
If Mark 2 is not laid, use the start pin as the leeward mark and round to port.

Mark	Description
Start pin	Yellow
1	Pink
1a	Stick with orange flag
2	Orange
3	Yellow
Finish	Black/White checkered
1 Change mark	Pink & Black band



ILCA, Quest, RS100, 29er

Course	Course to be sailed
1	Start – 1 – Finish
2	Start – 1 – 2 - 1 - Finish



Optimist

Course	Course to be sailed
1	Start – 1a – 2 - Finish
2	Start – 1a – 2– 1a - Finish

