



# 2026 VX One Victorian State Titles



## Supplementary Sailing Instructions

The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1 and 61.1(a).

### 1. Rules.

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for Off the Beach Boats.

### 2. Location of Race Office and flagpole.

- 2.1. The Race Office is located in the RBYC Sailing Office.
- 2.2. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole in the RBYC rigging yard.
- 2.3. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP

### 3. Schedule of Racing.

Saturday 28/03/2026	1030 1155	Competitor Briefing – Hard Stand First Warning Signal
Sunday 29/03/2026	0930 1055 After racing	Competitor Briefing – Hard Stand First Warning Signal Presentation

- 3.1. Three races are scheduled each day and will be raced back-to-back.
- 3.2. Additional races may be sailed each day, provided that racing does not become more than one race ahead of schedule.
- 3.3. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after approximately 1500 hrs.

### 4. Marks.

- 4.1. See SSI Appendix A.

### 5. Time Limits.

- 5.1. Mark 1 Time Limit will not apply.
- 5.2. The Race Time Limit will apply and is 60 minutes.
- 5.3. The Finishing Window will apply, and the time limit is 10 minutes.

### 6. The Start.

- 6.1. A boat that starts more than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.
- 6.2. The name or sail number of boats subject to individual recall under RRS 29.1 may be broadcast on the VHF Channel as a courtesy.

## **7. On Water Communication.**

- 7.1. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 77.

## **8. Courses.**

- 8.1. See SSI Appendix A.
- 8.2. The course number will be displayed on the committee vessel using a numeral pennant. The compass bearing and distance to Mark 1 may be announced by VHF and displayed on the race committee vessel after the orange flag attention signal is displayed for each race.

## **9. Vakaros RaceSense System.**

- 9.1. The Vakaros RaceSense system will be used by the Race Committee (RC), and the relevant information will be available to all boats.
- 9.2. [DP][NP] Each boat shall have a working Vakaros Atlas 2 configured for RaceSense, which shall be always mounted (above any other device) on the aft side of the mast while racing.
- 9.3. [DP][NP] Before 1700 on the Thursday before the event, each boat shall ensure the race committee has received a message detailing the Boat name, sail number and Vakaros Atlas 2 unit serial number.
- 9.4. [NP] Each boat shall ensure their Atlas 2 Unit is updated with the latest firmware before racing commences. Once racing commences, boats shall not update their Atlas 2 Unit with a later firmware version unless instructed to do so by the RC.
- 9.5. [NP] Any kind of failure of an Atlas 2, the RaceSense system or communication systems shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat or Protest Committee. This changes RRS 41(c), 60.5 (b) 61.1(a), 61.1(c), 61.4(b)(1).
- 9.6. [DP][NP] If the RC vessel displays code flag K with a sound signal before the warning signal of a race, Competitors shall restart their Vakaros Atlas unit by switching it off, waiting 10 seconds and then switching it back on to reconnect to the RaceSense network. Flag K will remain displayed for a minimum of 2 minutes and will be removed before or at the next warning signal.
- 9.7. RRS 26 is modified. The countdown to the start on the Atlas2 from RaceSense will be the official time. Signal flags will only be used for information purposes.
- 9.8. The visual identification of boats infringing RRS 29 and RRS 30 by the RC is replaced with electronic identification by the Vakaros RaceSense system. This changes RRS 29.1, 30.1, 30.2,30.3 and 30.4.
- 9.9. If the RC vessel displays code flag G with a sound signal before the warning signal of a race, SSI 8.7 and 8.8 will not apply to that race.
- 9.10. The order of finishing will be determined by the Race Committee. The Race Committee may use the Vakaros RaceSense System, if available, for the electronic identification of the order of finishing and may determine that such use will take precedence over visual identification.

## **10.Safety Regulations:**

- 10.1. Skippers and crew will be provided with a link to sign on/off on their phone.
- 10.2. All skippers are required to sign on using the phone link prior to leaving the shore each day. Failure to do so may result in the competitor being scored a three point

penalty for the first race of the day. This changes RRS A5.1 and 5.2.

- 10.3. All skippers are required to sign off using the phone link once back ashore after each days' racing, prior to the expiry of the protest time limit. Failure to do so may result in the competitor being scored a three point penalty for the last race of the day. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

### **11.Replacement of Crew or Equipment:**

- 11.1. Substitution of helmsperson will not be allowed.
- 11.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## SSI Appendix A

1. Mark 1 and 1a are to be rounded to port.
2. Marks 2P and 2S are gate marks.
3. If only a single windward mark is present, boats shall round that mark to port and then proceed on the next downwind leg of the course, omitting the missing mark.
4. If only a single gate mark is present, boats shall round that mark to port and then proceed on the next upwind leg of the course.
5. Courses:

Course	Course to be sailed
1	Start - 1 - 1a - Finish
2	Start - 1 - 1a - 2P/S - 1 - 1a - Finish
3	Start - 1 - 1a - 2P/S - 1 - 1a - 2P/S - 1 - 1a - Finish

Mark	Description
Start	Yellow
1 & 1a	Yellow
2P/2S	Orange
Finish	Black and white chequered
Change mark(s)	Pink with black band

