



RPAYC Woman's Development Regatta 2026

Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club

SUNDAY 28 JUNE 2026

Event Sailing Instructions

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club (RPAYC).

1 RULES

1.1 The event will be conducted by:

- (a) The "rules", as defined in the 2025 - 2028 World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- (b) The prescriptions, Amendments and AS Special Regulations;
- (c) This race document, except in the event of a conflict with the Notice of Race in which case the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
- (d) RRS 44.2 is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- (e) Event Appendix for each Club event.

1.2 Each crew member shall, always, wear a personal buoyancy complying with Australian Standards AS 1512 or AS 1499 Type 2 .

2 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the noticeboard.

2.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the RPAYC main flag mast, located on the sundial lawn.

3 BOATS SUPPLIED BY THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY

3.1 Elliott 7m yachts will be supplied.

3.2 Every reasonable effort will be made to equalise the boats. Variations will not be grounds for redress. Amends RRS 62.

3.3 Supplied equipment shall not be transferred from one boat to another.

3.4 No other equipment shall be brought onto the boat except PFDs for each crew and a team ditty bag comprising of tape, drinks and food

3.5 No adjustments shall be made to a boat's equipment including standing rigging, control lines, sheets.

3.6 At the conclusion of racing each day the boat's sails shall be folded and bagged and placed where directed by the Race Committee. The boat shall be left clean and tidy, and all marks, tape and rubbish shall be removed.

3.7 The penalty for an infringement of any rule of this clause shall be disqualification from each race during which the infringement occurs or from the next race as is applicable. The disqualification shall not be discarded.



4 DAMAGE AND REPAIRS TO BOATS

4.1 Each team shall complete the RPAYC Elliott 7 User & Damage Log, upon coming ashore at the end of the day's racing, specifying any damage or loss or confirming that there is no damage or loss. The log shall be submitted by scanning the supplied QR code.

6 RACING AREA

6.1 The racing area will be in the vicinity of Scotland Island, either to the North or to the South.

7 COURSES

7.1 Courses shall be windward/leeward with a bottom mark gate.

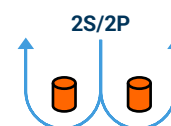
7.2 Mark 1 shall be laid to windward of the starting line and rounded to port. Mark 1a is an offset mark and will be positioned to port of Mark 1.

7.3 Marks 2S/2P are a gate and shall be laid approximately 50 meters to windward of the starting line. When a boat passes through the gate it must leave either Mark 2P to port or 2S to starboard. The Gate may be laid after the starting signal.

7.4 In the event that a Gate Mark is not in place, boats shall round the existing leeward mark to port.

7.5 Course signals will be displayed from the Committee Vessel (CV), at or before the warning signal.

7.6 The course descriptions are:



COURSE SIGNAL	COURSE CONFIGURATION
No Signal	Start - Mark 1 - Mark 1A - Mark 2S/2P - Mark 1 - Mark 1A - Finish
Code Flag `S`	Start - Mark 1 - Mark 1A - Finish

8 MARKS

8.1 Marks 1 and 1A will be YELLOW inflatable buoys. Marks 2S and 2P will be ORANGE inflatable buoys.

8.2 The Start/Finish mark will be a BLACK & WHITE chequered inflatable buoy.

9 MARKS

8.1 The starting line will be a straight line between the port end mark and an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel.

8.2 Start signals will be made in accordance with RRS 26.

8.3 The class flag will be international code flag `E`.

8.4 A boat shall not start later than 4 minutes after its start signal.

10 FINISH LINE

10.1 The finishing line will be a straight line between the Start/Finish mark and a blue flag on the Race Committee vessel.

11 RECALLS

11.1 Shall be in accordance with RRS 29.



13 TIME LIMIT

13.1 The absolute time limit for any race will be 60 minutes. Any boat finishing after this time limit will be scored DNF.

13.2 If one boat finishes within the time limit, all boats that have not finished by the time limit will be scored DNF. (Amends RRS 35)

14 PROTESTS

14.1 The rules of Part 5 are amended for all boats intending to protest a racing incident under any rule or request redress because of circumstances that arise before she finishes or retires, such that:

- (a) if protesting she shall clearly display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity after the incident; and
- (b) the red flag shall be kept displayed until she has so informed the Race Committee after finishing or retiring for her protest or request for redress to be valid; and
- (c) protests and requests for redress shall not be in writing; and
- (d) the protest committee may take evidence and conduct the hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally; and
- (e) if the protest committee decides that a breach of a rule has had no significant effect on the outcome of the race it may impose a penalty or make another arrangement it decides is equitable for all boats affected, which may be to impose no penalty.

14.2 The Protest limit will be 45 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day.

15 SCORING

15.1 RRS 5.3 shall apply.

15.2 Up to Four Races can be held.

16 SAILS

The sail combination to be used will be signalled from the CV with or before the warning signal. The signals shall have the following meanings:

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Sail Combination to be used</u>
No signals displayed	Full Sails (Main, Jib & Asy Spinnaker)
International Code Flag "J"	Main & Jib to be used.

23 MEDIA RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS

23.1 The conditions of entry include acknowledgement from competitors that the Organising Authority owns all media rights to the event and may exercise those rights as it sees fit, and that the Organising Authority has the unconditional perpetual right to publish and broadcast, for any purpose and in any media, photographs and video and audio recordings taken of boats and competitors during the event.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information regarding the She Sails RPAYC Women's Development Regatta, please contact;

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