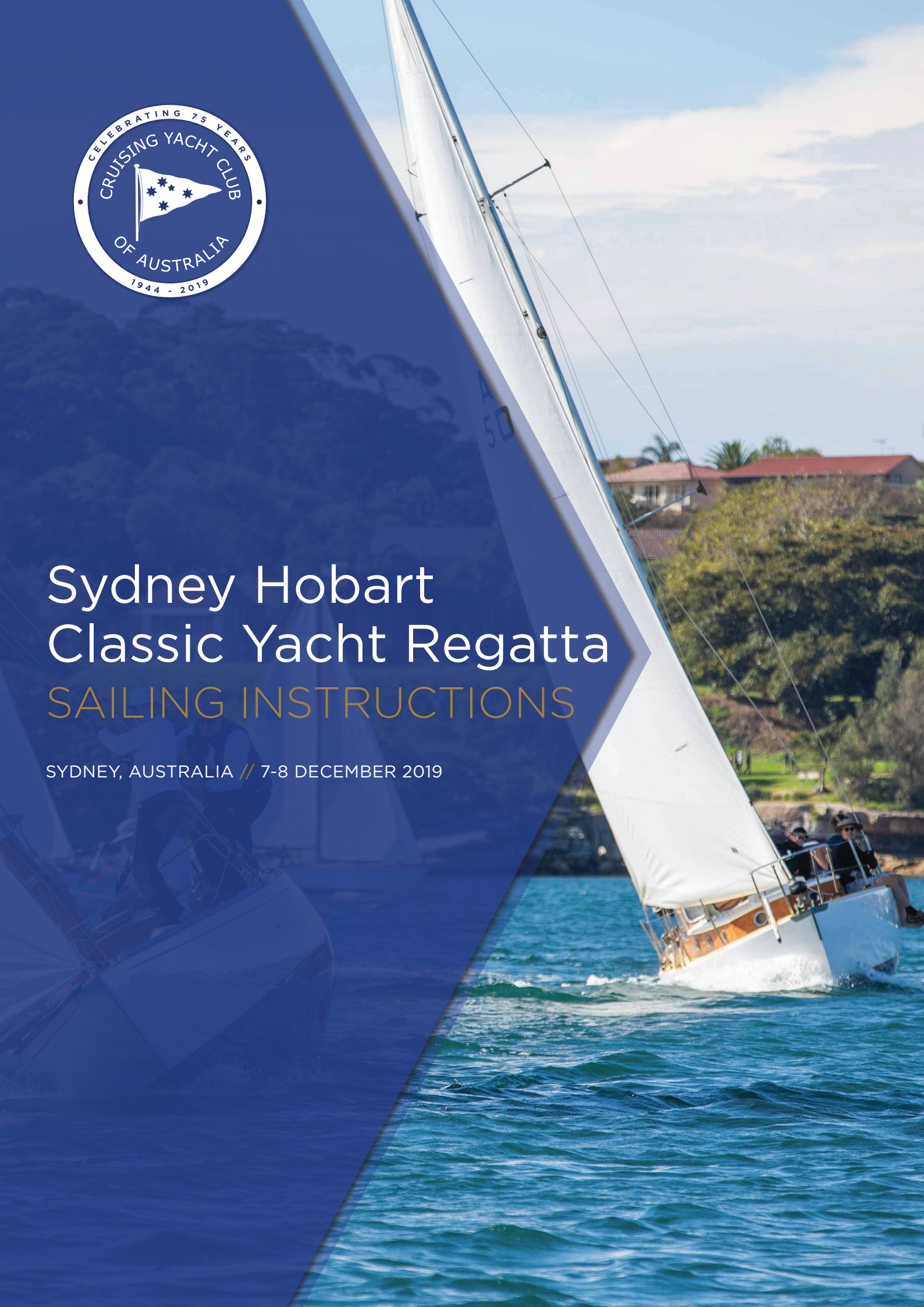




Sydney Hobart Classic Yacht Regatta

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA // 7-8 DECEMBER 2019





1 RULES

- 1.1 The 2019 Sydney Hobart Classic Yacht Regatta will be governed by the current versions of:
- the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (“**RRS**”) of World Sailing;
 - the prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing (“**Special Regulations**”); and
 - the Notice of Race (“**NoR**”).

2 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1 All those taking part in the 2019 Sydney Hobart Classic Yacht Regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility. Special attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”
- 2.2 The Organising Authority or any sponsor is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 2.3 The Organising Authority or any sponsor is not responsible for any damage or injury either ashore, afloat or at sea either to persons or boats which might participate in the race.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia (CYCA).

4 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the Sailing Instructions, if any, shall be made in accordance with RRS 90.2(c) and posted on the official notice board prior to 1000 hours and announced on VHF Channel 72 at 1000 hours on the day they take effect.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Racing/events are scheduled as follows:

Event	Date	Time	Course
Race 1	Sat 7 Dec	1155 hours (Warning Signal)	Course 1
Dinner	Sat 7 Dec	1900 hours	
Race 2	Sun 8 Dec	1155 hours (Warning Signal)	Course 2
Prizegiving	Sun 8 Dec	1700 hours	

The Race Committee reserves the right to change the schedule of races and course types.

6 THE COURSES

- 6.1 The course descriptions are:

Course 1 (Saturday):

Div 1

START (NSI) – MW – ME – SIM – PP – EC2 – SIM – PP – CC – FINISH (WB)

Div 2

START (NSI) – MW – ME – SIM – PP – CC – FINISH (WB)

Div 3

START (NSI) – CC – SIM – PP – CC – NP – CC – FINISH (WB)



Course 2 (Sunday):

Div 1

START (CP) - SIM - PP - MW - ME - SIM - PP - CC - FINISH (WB)

Div 2

START (CP) - SIM - PP - CC - SIM - PP - CC - FINISH (WB)

Div 3

START (CP) - SIM - PP - EC2 - SIM - PP - CC - FINISH (WB)

ALL MARKS TO STARBOARD

7 MARKS

7.1 Mark descriptions are as follows:

CC - AS mark 150m west of Lady Bay

EC2 - AS mark 150m SW of EC (Eastern Channel Pile)

LM - CYCA orange inflatable laid mark

ME - AS mark at Manly East

MW - AS mark 200m west of ME

NP - AS mark at Neilsen Park

PP - AS mark 200m north of Point Piper

SIM - AS mark SE of Shark Island (The area between the Shark Island AS Mark (SIM) and Shark is a continuing obstruction and no boat shall pass between them).

8. THE START

8.1 The start line will be between the flag mast on the Committee Vessel (CV) displaying a white flag with "CYCA" in black at the starboard end and a LM at the port end.

8.2 The start line will be identified as follows:

CP - Cannae Point

NSI - Near Shark Island

8.3 The Class Flags will be:

Division 1 (Spinnaker) - Numeral pennant 1

Division 2 (Spinnaker) - Numeral pennant 2

Division 3 (Non-Spinnaker) - Numeral pennant 3

8.4 For Race 1 the Race Committee (RC) will allocate a starting number to a boat for the race. A boat shall not start before the Committee Vessel ("CV") has displayed its designated Start Number.

8.4.1 Numbers will be displayed at 1 minute intervals and will commence with the number 0.

8.4.2 Start numbers will be based on time correction factors (TCFs). A boat's TCF shall be determined by the RC or its nominee.

8.4.3 The TCF, and a boat's start number based on it, shall not be subject to protest or constitute grounds for redress. (amends RRS 60.1 and 62)



8.4.3 Start signals will be as follows (Amends RRS 26):

Signal	Description	Minutes before 1st start signal
Warning	IC Flag W displayed & sound signal	5
Preparatory	IC flag P displayed & sound signal	4
One-Minute	IC flag P removed and a long sound signal	1
Start	First boat/s start on display of	0

8.4.4 Attention is drawn to RRS 24 "Interfering with another boat". A boat shall not enter the pre-start area prior to its preparatory signal (5 minutes before its start number). The pre-start area is defined as 50 meters to windward and leeward of the start line.

8.5 Start signals for race 2 will be made in accordance with RRS 26.

8.5.1 Start times will be as follows:

Warning Signal	11:55
Start Division 3	12:00
Start Division 2	12:05
Start Division 1	12:10

8.5.2 The Warning Signal for each succeeding division shall be made with or after the start signal of the preceding division.

8.6 Individual and general recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29 and may subsequently be announced on VHF Channel 72 (amends RRS 29).

8.7 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (amends RRS A4.1).

9 THE FINISH

9.1 The finish line shall be in Watsons Bay (WB) between the CV on the starboard end and an orange inflatable mark on the port end.

10 SHORTENING COURSE

10.1 If IC Flag "S" and a blue flag are displayed on a CV near a rounding mark of the course, then boats shall finish by passing between the CV and the nearby mark of the course. (RRS 32 and RRS 'Race Signals' refers.)

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 RRS 44.3 scoring penalties shall apply in respect of an infringement of a rule or instruction occurring Offshore.

11.2 RRS 44.2 Two-Turns Penalty shall apply for an infringement of a rule of RRS Part 2.

12 TIME LIMITS

12.1 The time limit for all races shall be 1700 hours.

12.2 Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (amends RRS 35 and A4.1).

13 PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

13.1 Protest forms are available from the CYCA sailing office. Protests shall be delivered to the sailing office in person or by email sailingoffice@cyca.com.au no later than the time limit stated in these Sailing Instructions.

13.2 For each division, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat of that division has finished.



- 13.3 Protest hearings will be heard in the approximate order they are received. The schedule of hearings will be posted on the official notice board within 30 minutes of the end of the time limit for making protests. Posting of the hearing schedule shall be deemed compliance with RRS 63.2 as notification to the parties (amends RRS 63.2).

14 SCORING

- 14.1 The Sydney Hobart Classic Yacht Regatta will be scored by the Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A2) with no discard. A minimum of 1 completed race shall constitute a series.
- 14.2 Each boat's series score will be the total of the boat's race scores. The boat with the lowest series score will be scored first and the other boats ranked accordingly.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 15.1 All boats shall maintain a listening watch on Radio VHF Channel 72 for announcements by the CV.
- 15.2 Boats retiring shall advise the CV as soon as practicable.

16 PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes and trophies will be awarded as per Notice of Race 9.



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