



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS – 2026-2027 SEASON
CLUBHOUSE YEPPON

1. RULES

- 1.1 The KBSC Club Racing series will be governed by the rules as defined in The World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025-2028
- 1.2 (SP) Australian Sailing Special Regulation Part 2 Off the Beach Boats will apply

2. ENTRIES

- 2.1 The KBSC Club Racing series open to all boats of off-the-beach dinghy and catamaran classes.
- 2.2 All Weta 4.4 Trimaran entries will race division 1 under the adjusted AS Yardstick of 92 for SQ or 95 for PH (SQ = Square To Main & PH = Pin Top Main)
- 2.3 RS Toura will race in division 3 under the yardstick of 119.5 with spinnaker or 122 without.
- 2.4 All entrants into the Club racing season must be financial Sailing Members of the Keppel Bay Sailing Club. Visitors may enter by paying the Visitors fee on the day they wish to compete. All skippers must be financial members of a MYA affiliated Club. KBSC Sailing members who do not pay a Season Race fee may pay a casual/ visitors fee per day of racing however their eligibility for prizes will be determined as the visitor's categories outlined in Section 16.
- 2.5 All entrants may be requested to assist with duties related to Club Racing
- 2.6 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry at <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/kbrc/events/362664> and paying the required fee, before the first race for which the boat is entered.
- 2.7 Casual/Visitor fee can enter online here <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/kbrc/events/374608>
- 2.8 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000AUD per incident or the equivalent. Insurance details shall be supplied upon registration
- 2.9 Each participant, their parents, family members, coach or other associated persons shall abide by the Keppel Bay Sailing Club Code of Behavior at all times whilst competing, training or using Club facilities.
- 2.10 Once entered into a Series, a boat/skipper must sail the same configuration i.e. number of crew, with or without spinnaker, for the duration of the Series (crew members may change).
- 2.11 Requests to use replacement equipment or change of boat or sail no. shall be made by filling out the appropriate form and presenting it to the Officer of the Day. Approval to use replacement equipment/boat shall be obtained at least one hour before the Warning Signal of the race in which such equipment/boat is to be used.
- 2.12 Entrants who are volunteering during a series may be eligible to receive an average score for races missed due to volunteering. They will be eligible for average points & prizes provided they sail at least 50% of the races in the series. Please note that **NO** average points for volunteering will be given for Club Championship races. Please email this request through to sailing@kbrc.com.au and the request will be discussed at the relevant Sailing Committee meeting.
- 2.13 Sailors who miss a Club Championship heat due to attending their state or National title events may apply for average points in writing to the sailing committee. Please email this request through to sailing@kbrc.com.au and the request will be discussed at the relevant Sailing Committee meeting. Sailors are obliged to notify the sailing department of dates for these events as early as possible so clashes can be avoided where possible.

Divisions for the Club Championship Series and Club Handicap Series:**Division 1** – Monohulls (including Weta Trimarans)**Division 2** - Catamarans**Division 3** – Intermediates – Australian Sailing Yardstick >120 & ILCA 6

Boats with Australian Sailing Yardstick >120 may choose to sail in this division if they wish to sail at an intermediate level. However, if they choose to do so, they will not be permitted to carry a spinnaker.

Division 4 – Juniors- Optimists, Sabots and Open Bics**Division 6** – Green Fleet**Divisions for the Winter Series and the Ocean races:****Division 1**- Monohulls (including Weta Trimarans), Catamarans**Division 3** – Intermediates – Australian Sailing Yardstick >120 & ILCA 6

Boats with Australian Sailing Yardstick >120 may choose to sail in this division if they wish to sail at an intermediate level. However, if they choose to do so, they will not be permitted to carry a kite.

Division 4- Juniors- Optimists, Sabots and Open Bics**Division 6** – Green Fleet**3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at the regatta office.

4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted a minimum of 1 hour prior to the race that it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 4pm on the previous sailing day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official Club flag staff at the southeastern corner of the Clubhouse.
- 5.2 Flag AP with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means 'The race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered.'

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Races are scheduled as per the Sailing Calendar on the Club's official notice board and online at <https://kbsc.com.au/sailing-calendar/>

7. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Division</i>	<i>Flag</i>
Senior Monos	1	Pendant 1
Catamarans	2	Pendant 2
Intermediates	3	Pendant 3
Juniors	4	Yellow KBSC Junior flag C. Byrt design
Green Fleet	6	Green

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be as shown in Appendix A, attached.

9. THE COURSE

- 9.1 At least one hour prior to the scheduled start time the course to be sailed will be displayed on the course boards near the regatta office. The information will include a diagram of the course, the starting order, the course for each division and a description of the marks.
- 9.2 The PRO or their delegate will conduct a briefing on the course and weather conditions for competitors approximately 1 hr to 45mins before the first race of the day.
- 9.3 Club Championship Series races shall be sailed on either Courses 1, 2 or 3 (Triangular or Windward Leeward) Refer to Appendix B, attached.
- 9.4 All other series may be sailed on Courses 2,3,4,5,6 (Triangular, windward, trapezoid, T-course, Key course) Refer to Appendix B, attached.

10. MARKS

The marks will be described on the course notice boards.

11. THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started using rule 26, with classes starting at 5 minute intervals (unless otherwise stated).
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark (unless otherwise stated).
- 11.3 A separate start line for short courses may be defined by the PRO. Any such change will be defined on the course notice boards located outside the regatta office.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal shall be recorded DNS.
- 11.5 Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose preparatory signal has been made.

12. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

A change of course after the start will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not then be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

13. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be either:

- A) Spar buoy in line with rear of the start boat.
- B) A staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the near-by rounding mark
- C) Or, as advised by the PRO on the day.

Whichever, will be described on the course notice boards.

14. TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 2 hours for all divisions. A boat failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat of its division finishes, or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored Did Not Finish. Boats may be "Finished On Course" to assist in keeping the racing rolling. This will be up to the discretion of the PRO. This changes rule 35 and A4.

15. PROTESTS

- 15.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the race office and delivered there within 60 minutes after the time of the last boat's finish of the last race of the day.
- 15.2 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible, however will not be heard on the same day.
- 15.3 Protest notices will be posted within 48 hours of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses.

16. SCORING

Opening of the Season 2 Day Regatta (Incorporating the Val Sisley Regatta)

1. The low point scoring system as in Appendix A of the RRS will be used.
2. The Australian Sailing yardstick system will be used.
3. Two races back-to-back on Saturday, Sunday 3 back-to-back races (Val Sisley)
4. A total of (5) races are scheduled. Three (3) races are required to constitute a series.
5. When fewer than (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
6. When (5) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
7. Competitors, who join the series after 1 or more races have been run, will be a "Late Entrant" score for each earlier race. The "Late Entrant" score will be the DNC score for the first (non -abandoned) race after the competitor joins the Series. Previously allocated DNC scores will not be altered
8. Prizes will be awarded for both days racing combined. Val Sisley will be completed at PCSC All Boats Regatta in October.

Val Sisley separate notice of race here <https://kbsc.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2026/08/Val-Sisley-Regatta-KBSC-Sailing-Instructions-2026.pdf>

Club Championship Series

1. The low point scoring system as in Appendix A of the RRS will be used.
2. A total of ten (10) races will be scheduled. Four (4) races are required to constitute a series.
3. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
4. When five (5) to six (6) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
5. When five (7) to six (8) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.
6. When nine (9) or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three (3) worst scores.
7. The Australian Sailing yardstick system will be used.
8. Competitors, who join the series after 1 or more races have been run, will be a "Late Entrant" score for each earlier race. The "Late Entrant" score will be the DNC score for the first (non -abandoned) race after the competitor joins the Series. Previously allocated DNC scores will not be altered.
9. Visitors will receive a score in each race and a series score but will not be eligible for prizes.
10. No average points for volunteering will be given for Club Championship races.
11. Sailors who miss a Club Championship heat due to attending their state or National title events may apply for average points in writing to the sailing committee. Sailors are obliged to notify the sailing department of dates for these events as early as possible so clashes can be avoided where possible.

Club Handicap Series (Spring, Summer, Autumn, End of Season)

1. The low point scoring system as in Appendix A of the RRS will be used.
2. A total of six (6) races will be scheduled. Three (3) races are required to constitute a series.
3. When fewer than four (4) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
4. When four (4) to five (5) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

5. When six (6) races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.
6. Performance based handicaps will be used.
7. Competitors who join the series after 1 or more races have been run, will be awarded a "Late Entrance" score for each earlier race. The "Late Entrance" score will be the DNC score for the first (non-abandoned) race run after the competitor joins the series. Previously allocated DNC scores will not be altered.
8. Visitors shall receive a race and series score and be eligible for prizes.
9. Entrants who are volunteering during a race may receive an average score of all their completed races in the series and will be eligible for prizes provided they sail at least 50% of the races in the series.

Ocean Races

1. The Ocean Races will be conducted using an Off the Beach Handicap start.
2. The handicaps will be displayed on the Official Notice Board a minimum of 1 hour prior to the scheduled start for the first boat. The winner will be the first boat to complete the designated course.
3. Visitors shall receive a series score and be eligible for prizes

Winter Series

1. The low point scoring system as in Appendix A of the RRS will be used.
2. A total of eight (8) races will be scheduled. Three (3) races are required to constitute a series.
3. When fewer than four (4) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
4. When four (4) to five (5) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
5. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.
6. The Australian Sailing yardstick system will be used.
7. Competitors who join the series after 1 or more races have been run, will be awarded a "Late Entrance" score for each earlier race. The "Late Entrance" score will be the DNC score for the first (non-abandoned) race run after the competitor joins the series. Previously allocated DNC scores will not be altered.
8. Visitors will receive a series score and will be eligible for prizes.
9. Entrants who are volunteering during a race may receive an average score of all their completed races in the series and will be eligible for prizes provided they sail at least 50% of the races in the series.

17. SUPPORT BOATS

Competitors are permitted to receive coaching whilst racing from the Club Coach and or personnel on the race committee vessels in order to develop the sailing and racing skills of all competitors.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 Each boat shall sign on no later than 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled race of the day and shall sign off within the protest time limit. Boats which fail to sign on and/or sign off may be declared DNS (Did Not Start).
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall, if practical, notify a race committee vessel before leaving the course area, **AND** sign off immediately on return to shore.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing, nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

20. PRIZES**20.1 Prizes will be awarded for:**

- Club Championship
- Opening of the Season Regatta
- Spring Handicap Series
- Summer Handicap Series
- Season's End Handicap Series
- Winter Series

Other prizes may be awarded throughout the season or at KBSC Presentation Night

20.2 Prizes will be awarded to:

- First place in each division in each series;
- Second place will be awarded if there 3 boats or more entered into the series;
- Third place will be awarded if there are 4 boats or more entered into the series.

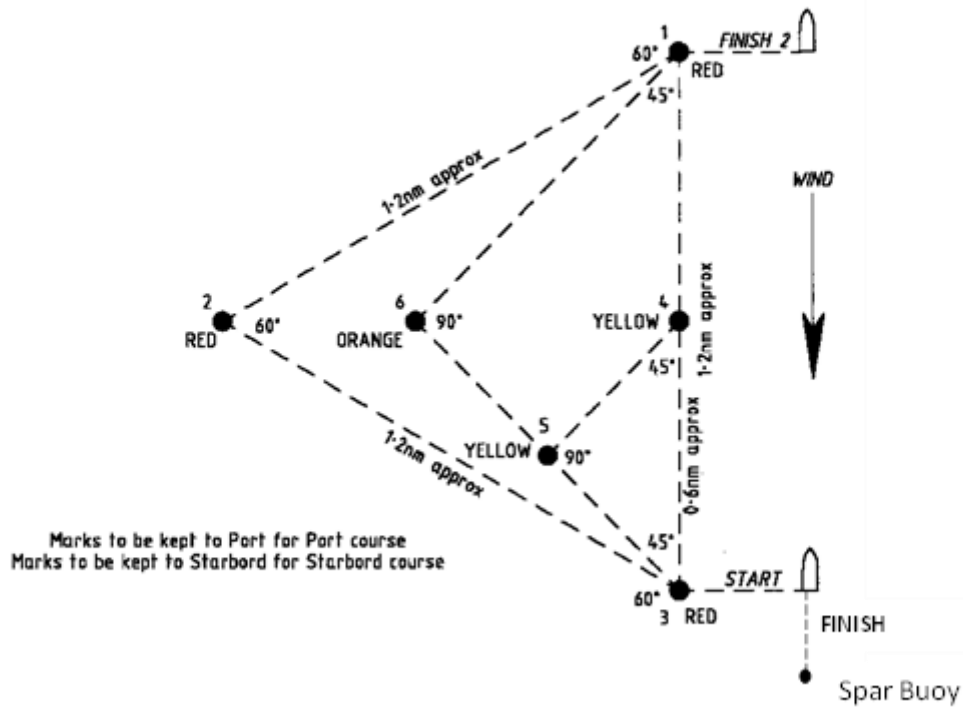
Prize winners in the above section must have sailed at least 50% of the races in the series.
The value of prizes will be as determined by the Sailing Committee.

Appendix A (RACING AREA)



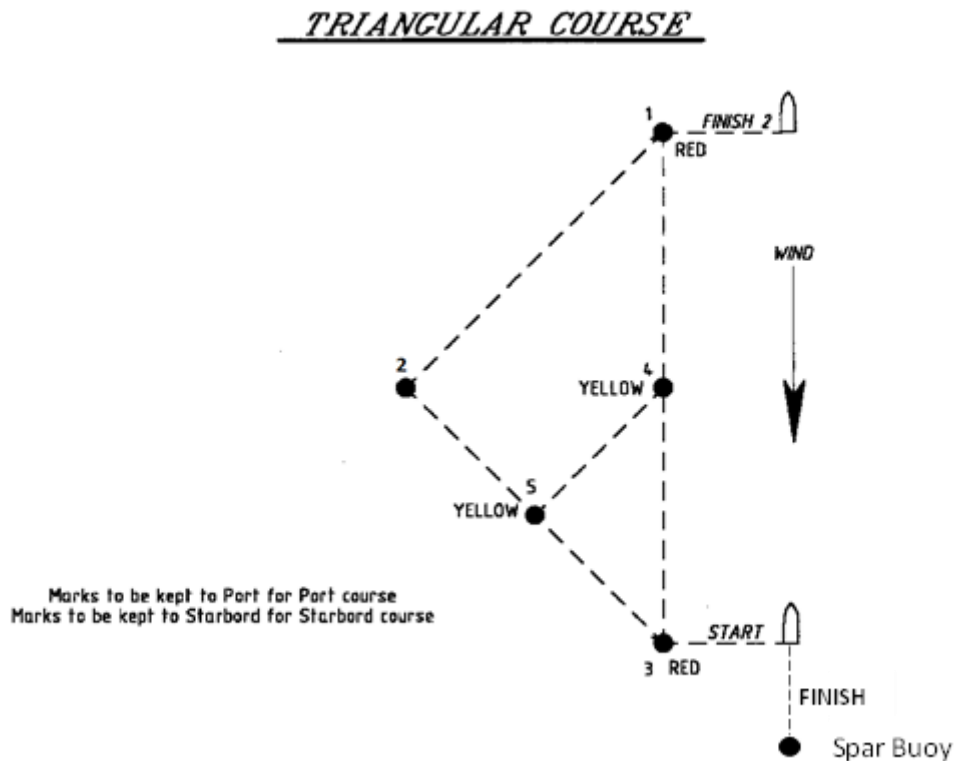
For days when more than one Club Championship Series race is scheduled Division 1 and Division 2 will finish at Finish 1 instead of Finish 2.

TRIANGULAR COURSE



Appendix B- Courses

Course 2 (Triangular 45 OR 60 degree)



Triangular for Club Championship Series.

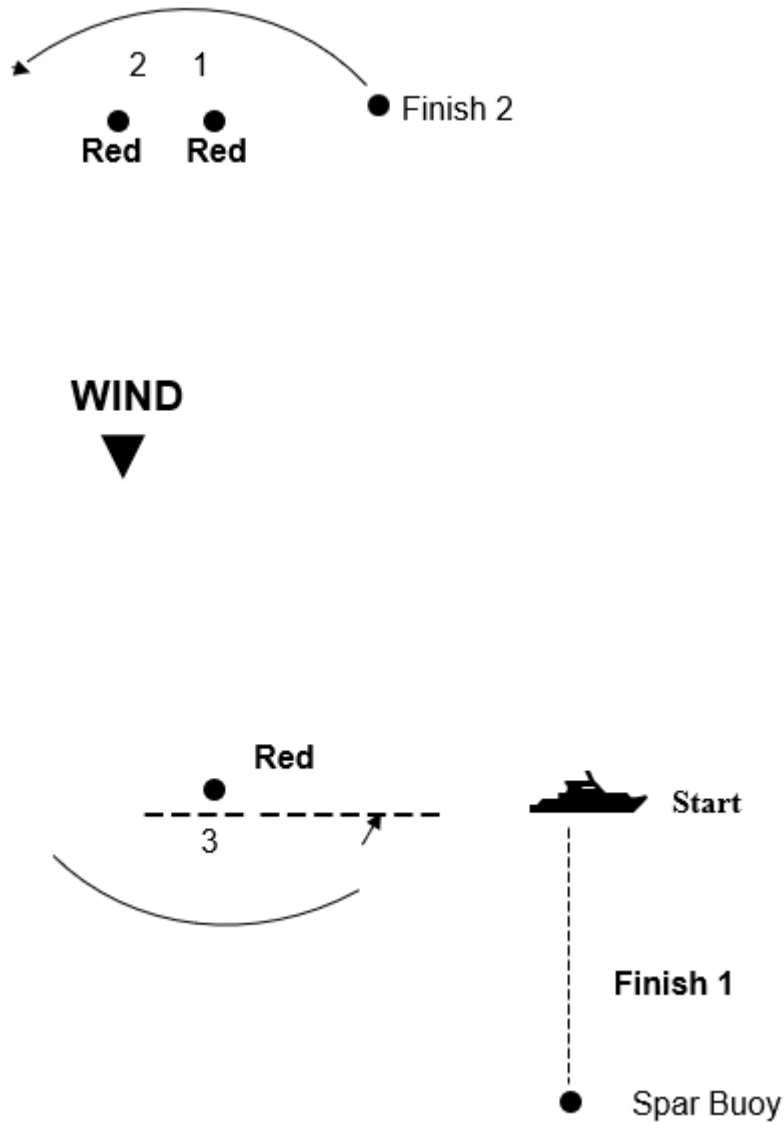
Division 1	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 1 or 2 (refer to blackboard)
Division 2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 3- 1- 2 – 3 – Finish 1 or 2 (refer to blackboard)
Division 3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 3 – Finish 1
Division 4	Start – 4 – 5 – 3 – 4 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 3 – Finish 1

Triangular for Club Handicap/ Winter Series.

Division 1	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 1
Division 2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 3- 1- 2 – 3 – Finish 1
Division 3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 3 – Finish 1
Division 4	Start – 4 – 5 – 3 – 4 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 3 – Finish 1

Appendix B- Courses

Course 3 (Windward return)



Windward Leeward for Club Championship Series

Division 1	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 1 or 2 (refer to blackboard)
Division 2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 1 or 2 (refer to blackboard)
Division 3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 1
Division 4	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 1

Windward Leeward for Club Handicap/ Winter Series

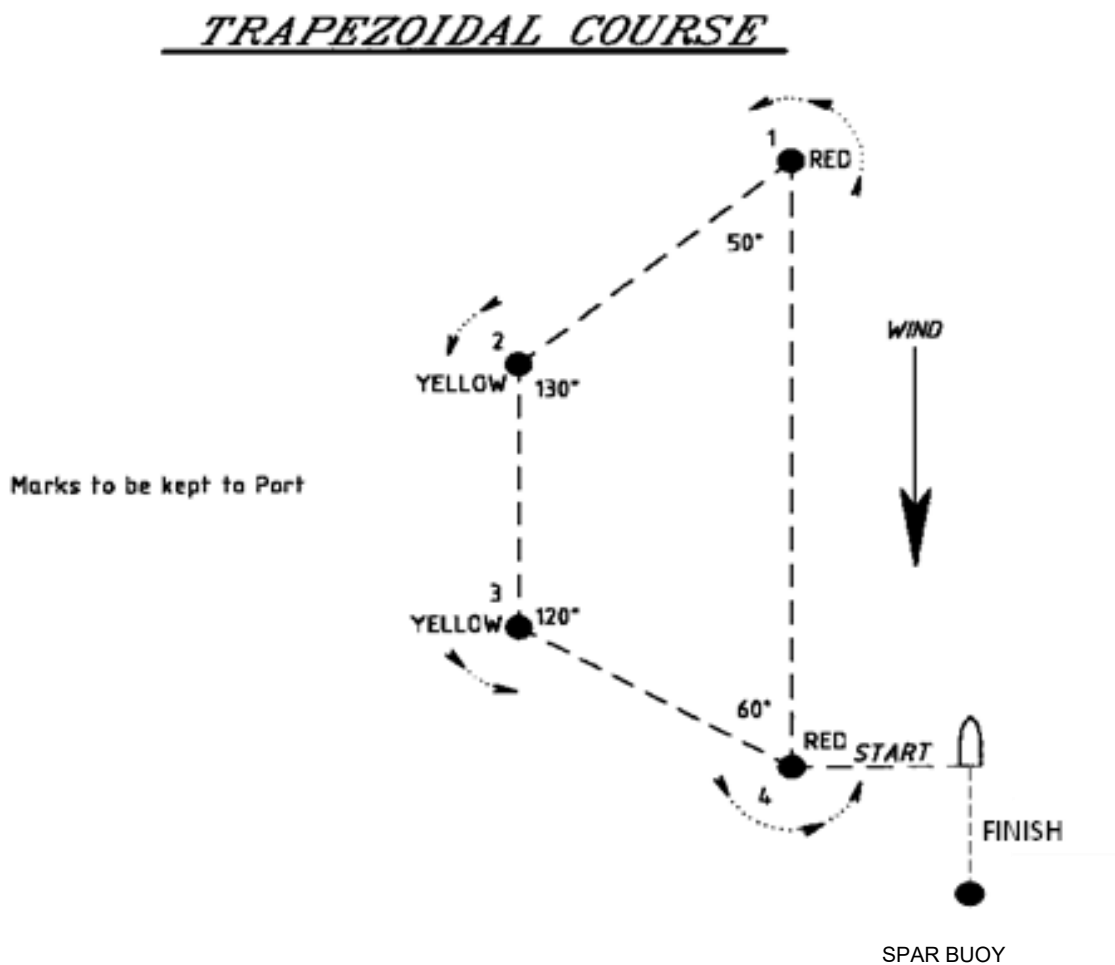
Division 1	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 1
Division 2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 1
Division 3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 1
Division 4	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish 1

Appendix B- Courses

Course 4 (Trapezoidal)

Trapezoidal for Club Handicap/ Winter Series

- Division 1 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – Finish
 Division 2 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – Finish
 Division 3 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – Finish
 Division 4 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – Finish



Appendix B- Courses

Course 5 (T Course)

Trapezoidal for Club Handicap/ Winter Series

Division 1 Start – G – $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{2}{1}$ – G – 3 – G – $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{2}{1}$ – G – 3 – G – $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{2}{1}$ – G – 3 – Finish

Division 2 Start – G – $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{2}{1}$ – G – 3 – G – $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{2}{1}$ – G – 3 – G – $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{2}{1}$ – G – 3 – G – $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{2}{1}$ – G – 3 – Finish

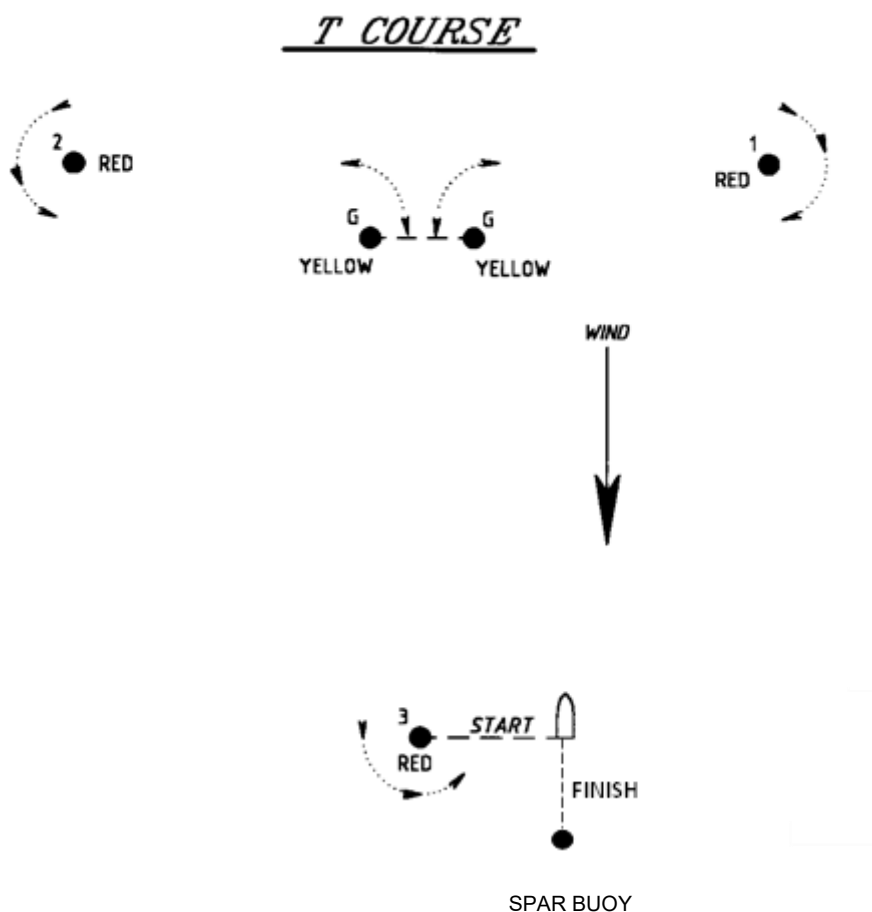
Division 3 Start – G – $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{2}{1}$ – G – 3 – G – $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{2}{1}$ – G – 3 – Finish

Division 4 Start – G – $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{2}{1}$ – G – 3 – Finish

Note: G means pass through the gate bordered by the marks shown in the diagram as G.

Mark 1 is to be left to Starboard.

Mark 2 & 3 are to be left to Port.



Appendix B- Courses

Course 6 (Key Course)

Key Course for Club Handicap/ Winter Series

Division 1 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – Finish

Division 2 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – Finish

Division 3 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – Finish

Division 4 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – Finish

Note: Marks 1, 2, 4, and 5 shall be left to Port, mark 3 shall be left to Starboard.

