



**Point Leo**  
BOAT CLUB

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3916.

**Point Leo Boat Club Inc (Organising Authority)  
ILCA and Impulse Dinghy Regatta  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for Off the Beach Boats, available at <https://www.sailingresources.org.au/safety/specialregs/> applies.
- 1.3 Point Leo aims to run fun events where friendship and entertainment are the key. Light hearted and friendly competition is promoted.

**2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 11:00 on the day, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 13:00 on 18 January 2025.

**3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at Point Leo Boat Club and on its website.

**4 ENTRIES**

**4.1** Every person in charge must be a member of a club previously affiliated with Yachting Westernport. Each competitor must be a financial sailing member of a yacht club. Entry form with \$10 entry fee via cash or bank cheque must be lodged with the Race Committee on the day. For boats sailing over, entries can be lodged with the start boat. Entries will be available on line on the Point Leo Boat Club website.

**5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

**5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Point Leo Boat Club control tower.

**5.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

**6 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

**6.1** It is intended to run 2 or 3 back-to-back races with the first warning signal for the first race at 13:00.

**6.2** To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least two (2) minutes before a warning signal is made. The absence of the orange starting line flag on the start boat following the completion of a race will signal that the next race(s) will not proceed.

**6.3** If a Bureau of Meteorology 'Gale Force Wind Warning' for Westernport is current within three hours prior to any scheduled on-water event/s shall be automatically abandoned or postponed for the day.

**7 CLASS FLAGS**

**7.1** All races will be conducted in Divisions. Class flags are replaced by divisional flags. The specification of the Divisions and flags are:

<b>Division</b>	<b>Flag</b>	<b>Specification</b>
1	Numeral Pennant 1	ILCA Dinghies
2	Numeral Pennant 2	Impulse Dinghies

**8 RACING AREA**

**8.1** The racing area will be Westernport generally to the east of Point Leo Boat Club.

**9 COURSES**

**9.1** The diagrams in Attachment show the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

**9.2** Courses may be shortened, in which case flag S will be displayed from a committee boat in the vicinity of a mark as the leading boat reaches the mark. The flag for

each Division for which the course is shortened will be displayed as the leading boat of that Division reaches the mark, accompanied by two sound signals

**9.3** Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

## **10 MARKS**

**10.1** Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be orange buoys or similar.

**10.2** The starting mark will be a an orange flag stick buoy.

**10.3** The starting and finishing marks are the same buoy.

## **11 THE START**

**11.1** The warning signal is made 3 minutes before the starting signal and the preparatory signal two minutes before the starting signal. Divisional flags replace class flags. This changes RRS 26.

<b>Minutes before starting signal</b>	<b>Visual signal</b>	<b>Sound signal</b>	<b>Means</b>
3	Divisional flag up	One	Warning signal
2	Preparatory flag up	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag down	One long	One minute
0	Divisional flag down	One	Starting signal

**11.2** The start line will be between a staff displaying the orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end, and the starting mark at the port end. The committee boat may stream an orange buoy which will be considered an extension of the race committee boat, and if laid shall be passed on the same side as the committee boat when starting.

**11.3** A boat that does not start within 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

**11.4** The start for Division 1 will precede the start for Division 2, but the race officer may use their discretion for subsequent back-to-back races. In the interest of timely racing, divisions may be combined into one start.

**11.5** Races will not be started in an average wind speed of less than 3 knots and if the average wind speed is less than 3 knots over a 15 minutes period, races may be abandoned. This changes RRS 26.

## **12 THE FINISH**

**12.1** The finishing line will be between the finishing mark and the staff displaying the orange flag on the committee boat.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

**13.1** For all boats RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

**14.1** Time limit for each race will be 65 minutes

**14.2** A boat failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in her division sails the course will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, RRS A4 and RRS A5.

## **15 HEARING REQUESTS**

**15.1** The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in that division finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

**15.2** Hearing Request forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

**15.3** Requests for redress, if based on an incident in the racing area, must be delivered within the protest time limit. This changes RRS 61.2(b).

**15.4** 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. Hearings will be held beginning at the time posted.

**15.5** Arbitration as defined in Appendix T will be used.

## **16 SCORING**

**16.1** The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A 4.1 will apply.

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**17.1** All boats shall sign the sign on sheet before leaving shore or by hailing the committee boat.

**17.2** All boats shall sign the "Sign Off" sheet upon returning to shore or by hailing the committee boat, but no later than the end of the protest time. Failure to sign off may result in a boat being scored equal to DNC for the last race and police may be advise that the boat is missing. This changes RRS 35, RRS A4 and RRS A5.

**17.3** A boat that does not start or retires from a race shall "Sign Off" and notify the race committee as soon as possible.

**17.4** When a patrol boat(s) display “N over A” or “N over H” all boats shall return to shore and sign off.

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**18 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Place

2<sup>nd</sup> Place

3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Seniors Trophy (skipper 55 years and over)

Junior Trophy (skipper under 18 years)

Female Skipper

Presentation will be held as soon as possible following completion of races. award.

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**19 RISK STATEMENT**

**19.1** RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.’ By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

**19.2** Point Leo Boat Club will not be responsible for damage to boats or injury to persons caused by a rescue boat and is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

**20 INSURANCE**

**20.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 (prefer \$10,000,000) per incident or the equivalent.

# ATTACHMENT A

## COURSE 01

**A windward – leeward triangle course as illustrated .**

Division 1                    Start—1-3—1-2-3—1-3—Finish

Division 2                    Start—1-3—1-2-3—1-3—Finish

Marks                        1, 2, 3, will be passed to port.

Start Order                 Divisions 1,2.

Distances                    The length of legs 4-1 and 4-2 will be varied according to conditions with the aim of achieving an appropriate race time length.

Angles                        3-1-2 and 1-3-2 Approx 45°; 1-2-3 Approx 90°;



## ADDENDUM A ILLUSTRATING THE COURSE

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