



FARR 40

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

20 & 21 May 2023

Middle Harbour Yacht Club, Sydney, Australia

The Organising Authority is Middle Harbour Yacht Club in conjunction with the Farr 40 Owners Group of Australia

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Rule changes are detailed in the Notice of Race 1.2.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the breezeway at MHYC and on the event webpage www.mhyc.com.au.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change on the water will be announced on the VHF race management channel after display of Code Flag L with one sound.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the start box flagstaff on the north-eastern corner of MHYC.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Saturday 20 May 2023

Skipper & Tacticians Briefing	Harbour View Room	0930hrs
Racing (up to 3 x windward-leeward races)	The Sound	1130hrs

Races 2 & 3 will be conducted in conjunction with the MHYC Winter Sprints Series.

Sunday 21 May 2023

Racing (up to 3 x windward-leeward races)	The Sound	1200hrs
Prize Presentation	MHyc	1600hrs approx.

- 5.2 A maximum of 6 races may be sailed.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1125hrs on Saturday and 1155hrs on Sunday.
- 5.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs.

6 CLASS FLAGS

The Class flag will be the Farr 40 Insignia on a white field.

7 RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of windward-leeward racing areas.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses, 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.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 8.3 If Mark 1 is a Laid Mark, it shall be rounded to port. If Mark 1 is an AS Harbour Mark, it shall be rounded to starboard.
- 8.4 Boats shall round Mark 2 to port.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks are described in Attachment B.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 Boats shall pass on the safe water side of the following Cardinal Marks:
(a) Gowlland Bombora (Dobroyd Head) – All Marks
(b) Sow and Pigs Reef– All Marks
(c) Shark Island– South and West Marks
- 10.2 Boats shall not sail in the following prohibited areas:
(a) The area bounded by imaginary lines projected from the shore joining the West, South and East Cardinal Marks surrounding Gowlland Bombora.
(b) The area bounded by imaginary lines joining the North, East, South and West Cardinal Marks surrounding Sow and Pigs Reef.
- 10.3 For the purpose of RRS 19 and 20, all Cardinal Marks surrounding the Gowlland Bombora and the Sow and Pigs Reef and all imaginary straight lines projected between such marks, shall be deemed obstructions.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made no less than 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.3 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES – WINDWARD LEEWARD RACES

14.1	Race Time Limit	90 mins
	Mark 1a Time Limit	30 mins
	Target Time	40-50 mins
	Finish Window	10 mins

14.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

14.3 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

14.4 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office located at MHYC Reception. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there or via email to sailing@mhyc.com.au within the appropriate time limit.

15.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

15.3 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 in the protest room, located at MHYC, beginning at the time posted.

15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

15.5 Breaches of SIs 14 and 17 - 26 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

16 SCORING

16.1 RRS Appendix A2 will apply.

16.2 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.3 Each yacht's score shall be the sum of all her races (no discards).

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Boats intending to race shall report to the committee vessel prior to their first warning signal, on starboard tack, with mainsail hoisted, to confirm their intention to race.

17.2 Boats that cannot be identified may be scored 'DNC'. [DP]

17.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. (DP)

17.4 All boats shall monitor the race management channel VHF 72. [DP]

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. [DP]

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or the technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Ashore, equipment may be inspected or measured at any at the discretion of the race committee.

20 EVENT ADVERTISING

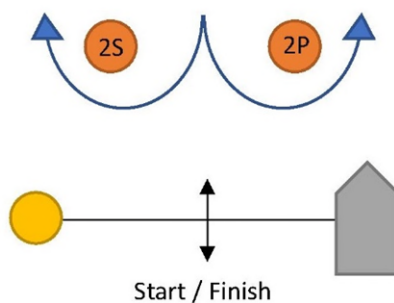
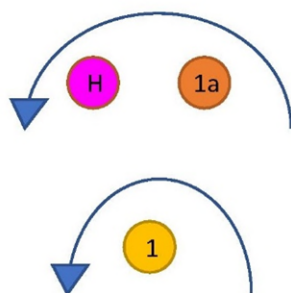
Refer NOR 8.

- 21 RUBBISH DISPOSAL**
Competitors shall not dispose rubbish into the water. Rubbish may be placed aboard support or official boats.
- 22 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**
Refer NOR 11.
- 23 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**
Refer NOR 12.
- 24 RADIO COMMUNICATION**
Refer NOR 13.
- 27 PRIZES**
Refer NOR 14.
- 25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
Refer NOR 15.
- 26 INSURANCE**
Refer NOR 16.

Attachment A – Approximate Windward-Leeward Race Area



Attachment B – Windward Leeward Courses



FARR 40 COURSE MARKS	MARK DESCRIPTIONS
Start & Finish Mark	Yellow Inflatable Buoy
Mark 1a	Orange Inflatable Buoy
Mark H (Offset Mark)	Pink Inflatable Buoy
Gates 2S & 2P	Orange Inflatable Buoys

MHYC SPRINT COURSE MARKS (NOT USED)	MARK DESCRIPTIONS
Mark 1	Yellow Inflatable Buoy

COURSE SIGNAL	COURSE
W1	Start – 1a – Offset – Finish
W2	Start – 1a – Offset – Gate (2P/2S) – 1a – Offset – Finish
W3	Start – 1a – Offset – Gate (2P/2S) – 1a – Offset – Gate (2P/2S) – 1a – Offset – Finish

Note:

- The course to be sailed will be displayed on a Course Board on the CV, preceded by the letter 'W', to indicate the number of roundings of the Windward Mark/s.
- The bearing to the first Mark from the Start may be displayed prior to or with the Warning Signal.
- The Gate will be laid approx. 50-100m to windward of the Start Line.