

LEADING EDGE SERIES

Category 7 – Pursuit Results – Divisions as required

SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DATE	RACE FORMAT	'COUNT UP' START TIME
1	Saturday, 2 August 2025	Inshore Pursuit Race	1230hrs
2	Saturday, 9 August 2025	Inshore Pursuit Race	1230hrs
3	Saturday, 16 August 2025	Inshore Pursuit Race	1230hrs
4	Saturday, 23 August 2025	Inshore Pursuit Race	1230hrs
5	Saturday, 30 August 2025	Inshore Pursuit Race	1230hrs

LEADING EDGE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Amendments in red apply from 1 January 2025

1 RULES

1.1 As per NOR 1 and 2.

1.2 For boats entered as non-spinnaker, only a mainsail and one headsail may be used at any time. The headsail may be poled out but shall be fully hanked or attached by means of a luff groove device to the permanent forestay. Headsails shall not be set flying. No sail shall be attached forward of the point of attachment of the permanent forestay.

2 DIVISIONS

2.1 Yachts will be allocated to Divisions appropriate to the number of entries received for Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker categories, based on yachts performance.

2.2 Division allocation is subject to the receipt of entries and shall be structured by the Sailing Manager at their absolute discretion. Allocation to Divisions shall not be the subject to protest or constitute grounds for redress. This amends **RRS 60 and 61**.

3 CLASS FLAGS

3.1 Class Flags for the Leading Edge Series Races are as follows:

CLASS / DIVISION	FLAG
Division 1	Code Flag 'D'
Division 2	Code Flag 'E'

4 THE COURSE

4.1 The course of the day will be selected from those listed in 'Leading Edge Series Courses', which is attached to these Sailing Instructions. A course number will be displayed with or prior to the Attention Signal signifying the course selected for the day.

4.2 Courses may be shortened at the discretion of the Sailing Manager. Should Code Flag "S" be displayed with the Attention Signal, the race will automatically be shortened and all yachts should proceed to the finish line after having rounded the mark indicated by an asterisk (*).

4.3 Courses may be shortened in accordance with **RRS 32**.

5 THE START

5.1 The attention signal shall not be made before 1220hrs.

5.2 The start line will be the Clubhouse Start in accordance to MHYC NOR 16.

5.3 The start shall be a count-up start in accordance with NOR 22.

START SEQUENCE	
1220	Attention Sound Signal and course number displayed
1230	Start Sound Signal and start handicap count-up clock

5.4 There will be no individual recall signals. A boat on the course side of the starting line for her designated start time will be penalised 5 minutes plus the difference between her nominated start time and actual start time unless she returns and restarts. **This amends RRS 29.**

6 THE FINISH

6.1 The finish line will be the Clubhouse finish line in accordance with MHYC NOR 17.

6.2 If a Committee Vessel displaying Code Flag "S" is stationed to the West or South of Grotto Point Lighthouse, AS Mark Edwards Beach shall be omitted (if applicable) and boats shall finish between the Committee Vessel and Grotto Point Lighthouse.

7 HANDICAPS

7.1 Starting handicap numbers will be allocated at the discretion of the Sailing Manager or their nominee and adjusted for subsequent races based on PHS calculation.

7.2 The Sailing Manager or their nominee may at their absolute discretion review any boat's handicap where they are of the opinion that due to anomaly, error or change of racing trim or equipment, the handicap is considered unfair or unreasonable.

7.3 Allocated handicaps shall not be the subject of protest or dispute. **This amends RRS 60 & 61.**

7.4 Handicaps are published on the day of racing on the MHYC website and noticeboard.

8 TIME LIMIT

8.1 The time limit shall be 1530 hours. However, if the leading yacht finishes within the time limit, then other yachts will be timed in until 1600 hours. Boats not finishing within the time limit or extension shall be ranked DNF.

8.2 Boats retiring from racing comply with NOR 20.

9 PROTESTS

9.1 The Sailing Committee looks to competitors to enter the event in the right spirit, observe the Racing Rules of Sailing and complete a one or two turns penalty (RRS 44) or retire immediately if they breach them. Should competitors feel the need to formally protest, this should be done in accordance with NOR 24.

10 SCORING

10.1 The Low Point System, Appendix A of the RRS including A5.3 shall apply.

10.2 There are five (5) races scheduled in the Leading Edge Series. Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series. No scores shall be excluded.

10.3 Abandoned races will not be re-sailed.

10.4 RRS A5.3 applies except that DNC is scored the number of starters plus 2.

10.5 A casual race entrant will receive a series score in accordance with RRS A2.2.

10.6 A boat's points shall not be transferred with a change of ownership or division.

11 PRIZES

11.1 Prizes may be awarded at a post-race presentation. Prizes not collected at that time shall be forfeited.

11.2 Additional prizes may be awarded.

LEADING EDGE SERIES COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

COURSE NOTES:

1. All Marks shall be rounded or passed to Starboard
2. Division 2 boats shall omit marks noted (x)
3. All divisions please refer to shortening course SI 4.2 (*)

Course 1 (Div 1 – 9.7nm, Div 2 - 8.5nm approx.)

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|----|----------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| 1. | Start at MHYC | 7. | AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 8. | AS Mark Cannae Point (*) |
| 3. | AS Mark Grotto Point | 9. (x) | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. | AS Mark Manly West | 10. (x) | AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 5. | AS Mark Manly East | 11. | Finish at MHYC |
| 6. | AS Mark Cannae Point | | |

Course 2 (Div 1 – 10.9nm, Div 2 – 9.9nm approx.)

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|----|----------------------|--------|----------------------|
| 1. | Start at MHYC | 5. | AS Mark East Channel |
| 2. | AS Mark Lady Bay | 6. (x) | AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 3. | AS Mark Grotto Point | 7. (x) | AS Mark East Channel |
| 4. | AS Mark Lady Bay (*) | 8. | Finish at MHYC |

Course 3 (Div 1 - 11.0nm, Div 2 - 10.0nm approx.)

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|----|-------------------------------|--------|---------------------------|
| 1. | Start at MHYC | 5. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 6. (x) | AS Mark Chowder Bay South |
| 3. | AS Mark Lady Bay | 7. | Finish at MHYC |
| 4. | AS Mark Chowder Bay South (*) | | |

Course 4 (Div 1 – 11.6nm, Div 2 – 10.6nm approx.)

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|----|------------------------|---------|-----------------------|
| 1. | Start at MHYC | 7. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 8. (x) | AS Mark Rocky Point |
| 3. | AS Mark Rocky Point | 9. (x) | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. | AS Mark Edwards Beach | 10. (x) | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 5. | AS Mark Manly West | 11. | Finish at MHYC |
| 6. | AS Mark Manly East (*) | | |

Course 5 (Div 1 – 11.8nm, Div 2 10.6nm approx.)

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| 1. | Start at MHYC | 5. | AS Mark Manly West |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 6. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 7. (x) | AS Mark East Channel |
| 4. | AS Mark East Channel (*) | 8. | Finish at MHYC |

Course 6 (Div 1 – 12.5nm, Div 2 10.1nm approx.)

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| 1. | Start MHYC | 4. (x) | Fort Denison (P) |
| 2. | AS Mark Rose Bay (*) | 5. | Finish at MHYC |
| 3. | AS Mark Point Piper | | |