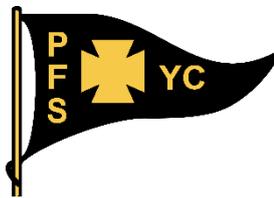




SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Perth Flying Squadron Yacht Club



Wally & Glenys Pickford Memorial Marathon Race

Sunday 29 March 2026

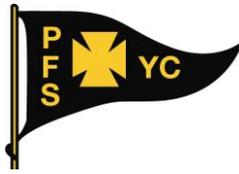
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Rules

Races will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing (2025 - 2028)* (RRS), the prescriptions of the Australian Sailing, except as any of these are changed by these Sailing Instructions.

Safety Regulations

All skippers need to be aware their boats need to comply with CAT 7 regulations (self-audit permissible).

Communication will be by Club Channel 68. All boats are encouraged to have their radios on to assist in management of the race. Where radio contact is not possible, telephone contact with the race officials can be made on [Start Box Mobile Phone Number: 0420 383 332.](tel:0420383332)

Starting Procedure

Flying Start.

Starting procedures as outlined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, 2025 - 2028 apply.

Start Times

THERE WILL BE 2 START TIMES:

DIVISION III & IV	Naval Numeral Flag 3
Warning Signal	10:55 hours
Start Time	11:00 hours

DIVISION I & II	Naval Numeral Flag 2
Warning Signal	11:15 hours
Start Time	11:20 hours

Display of Signals

All flag signals will be displayed from the Start Box.

Starting and Finishing Line

An imaginary line extending between the Start Box and the outer start mark Club 32A will be used for start and finish. Be aware of inner limit buoy. Finishing/starting inshore of this buoy will be an automatic infringement. No boat shall pass through the start line after the preparatory signal.

Marina Rules

The boat marinas are not to be used for pre-start manoeuvres before a race.



Changes to Sailing Instructions

Notices to competitors and any late changes to sailing instructions will be posted on the notice board located in the vicinity of the Hew Jarman centreboard room at the Clubhouse. In addition, code flag "L" will be flown ashore up to 10 minutes before the commencement of the first race. Failure to observe such postings will not invalidate such amendment or notification.

Navigation Marks

All river navigation marks shall be passed on the deep-water side excluding floating marks between Point Resolution and the Western side of Point Walter.

Racing Flag

Whilst racing boats are requested to fly the appropriate class racing flag on their backstay approximately two metres above deck.

Starting Penalty (Amendment to Rule 30)

If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or its extensions during the minute before their starting signal she shall sail around the outer start mark before starting.

Individual Recall (Rule 29.2)

When at her starting signal should a boat not comply with Rule 29.1 or Rule 30.1, the race committee shall promptly display flag X and one sound signal. The flag shall be displayed until all such boats are completely on the pre-start side of the starting line or its extensions and have complied with Rule 30.1 if it applies, but not later than four minutes after the starting signal or one minute before any later starting signal whichever is earlier.

General Recall (Rule 29.3)

When at the starting signal several unidentified boats are on the course side of the starting line or there has been an error in the starting procedure, the race committee may signal a general recall (flag First Substitute and two sound signals). The preparatory signal for a new start for the recalled class shall be made one minute after the First Substitute is lowered and starts for any succeeding classes shall follow the new start.

Time Limit (Amendment to Rule 35)

The time limit will be six hours for each Division. Such limit will be extended by 45 minutes if the first boat in each Division completes the course within six hours thereby extending the time to 6 hours and 45 mins for each Division.



Shortened Course

There is no provision for a shortened course.

PFSYC is eager to have results for this event.

Times will be taken at each mid race passing of PFSYC Outer Start Buoy (32A) and may be used for a race result if the wind drops out and the time limit is exceeded by a division.

Postponement and Abandonment (Amendment to Rule 27.3)

Before the starting signal the race committee may postpone (flag AP and a sound signal) or abandon the race (flag N over A and three sound signals) for any reason.

Keeping Clear (Additional to Rule 20)

After finishing, boats shall not pass between the on-station flag and outer start buoy. Boats which have finished shall keep clear of all other boats that are still racing.

Touching a Mark

RRS Rule 31.1, 31.2 applies, (penalty 360 degree turn when clear).

Penalties for Breaking Rules when Boats Meet

RRS Rule 44 applies, (penalty 720 degree turn).

Protests

Protests shall be written on forms available through the race committee and delivered to them within thirty minutes of the last boat finishing. All protests must be signed by a member of the race committee before lodgement. The time and day for hearing shall be at the sole discretion of the race committee.

Where possible, mediation will be attempted before a protest is scheduled for hearing.

Retirements

A boat which retires during a race shall not sail through the finishing line. The skipper of any boat which retires shall report the retirement to the race committee on 0420 383 332 or to the starters immediately on return to the Club or use of radio via VHF Channel 68.

Support Craft

Support craft carrying green and white diagonal flag will have right of way at all times. Action by support craft shall not be grounds for seeking redress.



Declaration

By crossing the finishing line at the conclusion of a race the skipper of the yacht shall be deemed to have made a declaration that:

- (a) He / She has obeyed all the Rules and Sailing Instructions governing the race,
- (b) They have completed their designated course.

Safety and Responsibility

Perth Flying Squadron Yacht Club (Inc) and/or its officials or assistants are not responsible for the seaworthiness of any competing boats, nor the competence of any competing crew. On making entry, the entrant agrees that the Club or its officials are not liable for any damage, loss or injury to any person or property incurred during, before or after the Marathon Race

Inclement Weather

For reasons of safety, the Club reserves the right to cancel the race.

Presentation

Presentation of prizes will be held in the Mele Bilo Room of the Perth Flying Squadron Yacht Club on **Friday 10 April 2026 commencing at 6:30pm**. All crews and their guests are invited to attend. **Bookings are required if you wish to have a meal**. To make a reservation please phone PFSYC Reception (08) 9386 6437 or email functions@pfsyc.com.au



SPORTSMANSHIP AND THE RULES

Competitors in the sport of sailing are governed by a body of rules that they are expected to follow and enforce. A fundamental principle of sportsmanship is that when a competitor breaks a rule they will promptly take a penalty or retire.

RULES

Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS), the prescriptions of the Australian Sailing the Class Rules, except as any of these are changed by these Sailing Instructions

Supplementary Sailing Instructions may be issued for specific races. Where there is conflict with these sailing instructions the supplementary instructions shall apply.

ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

Boats

- Any yacht registered with a recognised Yacht Club



Please note – All marks are rounding marks.

COURSE 18.02nm

Start to

BRICKLANDING A BUOY (33A)	STBD
BRICKLANDING B BUOY (33B)	STBD
BISHOP BUOY (74)	PORT
MOSMAN A BUOY (14)	PORT
MT LYALL BUOY (9)	STBD
BURNSIDE SPIT (58)	STBD
COLLEGE BUOY (23)	STBD
SANDERS BUOY (99)	STBD
BRICKLANDING A BUOY (33A)	STBD
BRICKLANDING B BUOY (33B)	STBD
PFSYC OUTER START BUOY (32A)	STBD
FOAM BUOY (55)	STBD
SANDERS BUOY (99)	STBD
HALLMARK BUOY (41A)	PORT
PFSYC OUTER START BUOY (32A)	PORT
SQUADRON BUOY (37)	PORT
BOND BUOY (38A)	PORT
ARMSTRONG BUOY (32)	PORT
FINISH LEAVING PFSYC OUTER START BUOY (32A) TO PORT	