

Amendments to Sailing Instructions 2026 Season

The Sailing Instructions 2023 have been updated for 2026. In summary, these edits are as below.

| Section | Edits |
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| 1. RULES | All racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the 'Racing Rules of Sailing for '2025-28' including the RYA Prescriptions |
| 7.1 RACING AREAS | Point of clarification: Appendix A of these Sailing Instructions shows the general location of the racing area. |
| 13. PENALTY SYSTEM | Removed reference to rule 67 (it does not exist) |
| 14.2 TIME LIMITS | References to sections of Racing Rules of Sailing for have been corrected. No material change. |
| 14.3 TIME LIMITS | Point of clarification: ...as defined in Appendix B of these Sailing Instructions ... |
| 16.3 SCORING | This has been reverted to being in line with the RYA scoring. Rule A5.3 shall apply. <i>Rule A5.3: Rule A5.2 is changed so that a boat that came to the starting area but did not sail the course, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area, and a boat that did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the series.</i> The HPYC bespoke model did have some benefits in that it enabled a sailor to see their precise points position at the end of the days Series Racing, however ambiguities arise when low/no turnout in a fleet occur and duties performed, particularly where discards are applied. It has been decided this season to test the RYA model. |
| APPENDIX B AVERAGE LAP SYSTEM | Point 3 has been amended: Boats that are on the last leg of a lap (including the 'hook mark') |