



# **R.H.A.D.C. Saturday Regattas**

## **Saturdays May 10<sup>th</sup>, July 1<sup>th</sup> & November 1<sup>th</sup> 2025**

### **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **1. RULES**

1.1 The regatta shall be governed by “rules” as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS).

#### **2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

2.1 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the Official Notice Board located at R.H.A.D.C.

#### **3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions (SIs) shall be posted before 1730 hours the day before it shall take effect.

#### **4. SIGNALS**

4.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed on the Official Flagstaff at R.H.A.D.C.

4.2 When Code flag “AP” is displayed ashore this means “Racing is postponed, do not leave the dock.” The first scheduled warning signal shall be made not less than 60 minutes after Code flag “AP” is lowered.

4.3 Class flags shall be a White Flag with RS21 Logo.

#### **5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

5.1 Five (5) races shall be scheduled. One race shall be completed to constitute a series.

5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race, of each scheduled race day, shall be 11.55 hours.

5.3 The warning signal for each succeeding race shall be made as soon as practicable.

#### **6. RACING AREA**

6.1 The racing area shall be Hamilton Harbour, Granaway Deep or the Great Sound.

#### **7. THE COURSES**

7.1 Course will be a Windward-Leeward

7.2 Courses As per the Combined Clubs Standard Race Instructions Addendum 1 - Course Card

#### **8. MARKS**

8.1 The windward marks shall be Red or Green (ITB) and the race committee will display a red or green flag at the one-minute signal to indicate which mark is to be used. The leeward mark shall be a yellow ITB and the start/finish line pin end will be a pink cylindrical mark.

#### **9. CHECKING IN**

9.1 Before the warning signal of her first race of the day, each boat shall sail past the stern of the Race Committee signal boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

#### **10. THE START**

10.1 See Appendix 01 For Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club RS21 Class start sequence.

10.2 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

10.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4.1.

#### **11. CHANGE OF THE POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK**

11.1 To change the position of the next mark(s), the race committee shall lay a new mark(s), or move the finish line, and remove the original mark(s) as soon as practicable. The change shall be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg in accordance with RRS 33, although the new mark may not yet be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signalling to maintain



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the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it shall be replaced by an original mark.

#### **12. RECALLS**

12.1 Individual recalls shall be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.2. The Race Committee shall attempt to promptly broadcast the sail number of each recalled boat on VHF channel 68. The following shall not be cause for redress: Failure of a boat to receive the recall broadcast; A boats position in the sequence of broadcast numbers; Failure of the Race Committee to hail a boats number.

#### **13. THE FINISH**

13.1 The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

#### **14. PENALTY SYSTEM**

14.1 All penalties will be sufficient with one full 360 turn. This changes the Two Turns Penalty (RRS 44.2)

#### **15. TIME LIMITS**

15.1 Boats failing to finish 1 hour after the starting signal, or 10 minutes after the first boat in her class finishes, whichever is the earlier, shall be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

#### **16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

16.1 Protest forms are available at R.H.A.D.C. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the docking of the R/C Signal Boat. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

16.3 Notices shall be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. This posting shall be considered notice required in RRS 61 and 63.2.

16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee shall be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

16.5 Breaches of instruction 18 shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

#### **17. SCORING**

17.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A shall apply using the Low Point System with no score excluded for up to three (3) races, and one (1) score excluded for four (4) or more races.

17.2 Boats identified "Time Limit Expired" shall be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.1, A4.2 and A5.

#### **18. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

18.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. VHF channel 68 is permitted for this.

#### **19. OFFICIAL BOATS**

19.1 Official boats shall display RC. flags.

#### **20. PRIZES**

20.1 Prizes shall be awarded as described in the Notice of Race.

#### **21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority shall not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.



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#### Appendix 01 Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club RS21 Class Start Sequence

Minutes to the start	Visual	Sound	Desription
approx 30 seconds before the the start sequence	none	random rapid sounds	warning signal that the 3 min start is approx 30 seconds away
3	class flag raised	3 long	start sequence in effect 3 mins to start
2	None	2 long	2 mins to start
1	colour flag indicating windaward mark	1 long	1 minute to start
30 seconds	None	3 short	30 seconds to start
20 seconds	none	2 short	20 seconds to start
10 seconds	none	1 short	10 seconds to start
5 seconds	class flag down at start	4 short 1 Long	five second count down to the start