



Amendment of Sailing Instructions

2025/2026 Offshore Division

AMENDMENTS, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

17. TARGET TIMES & TIME LIMITS

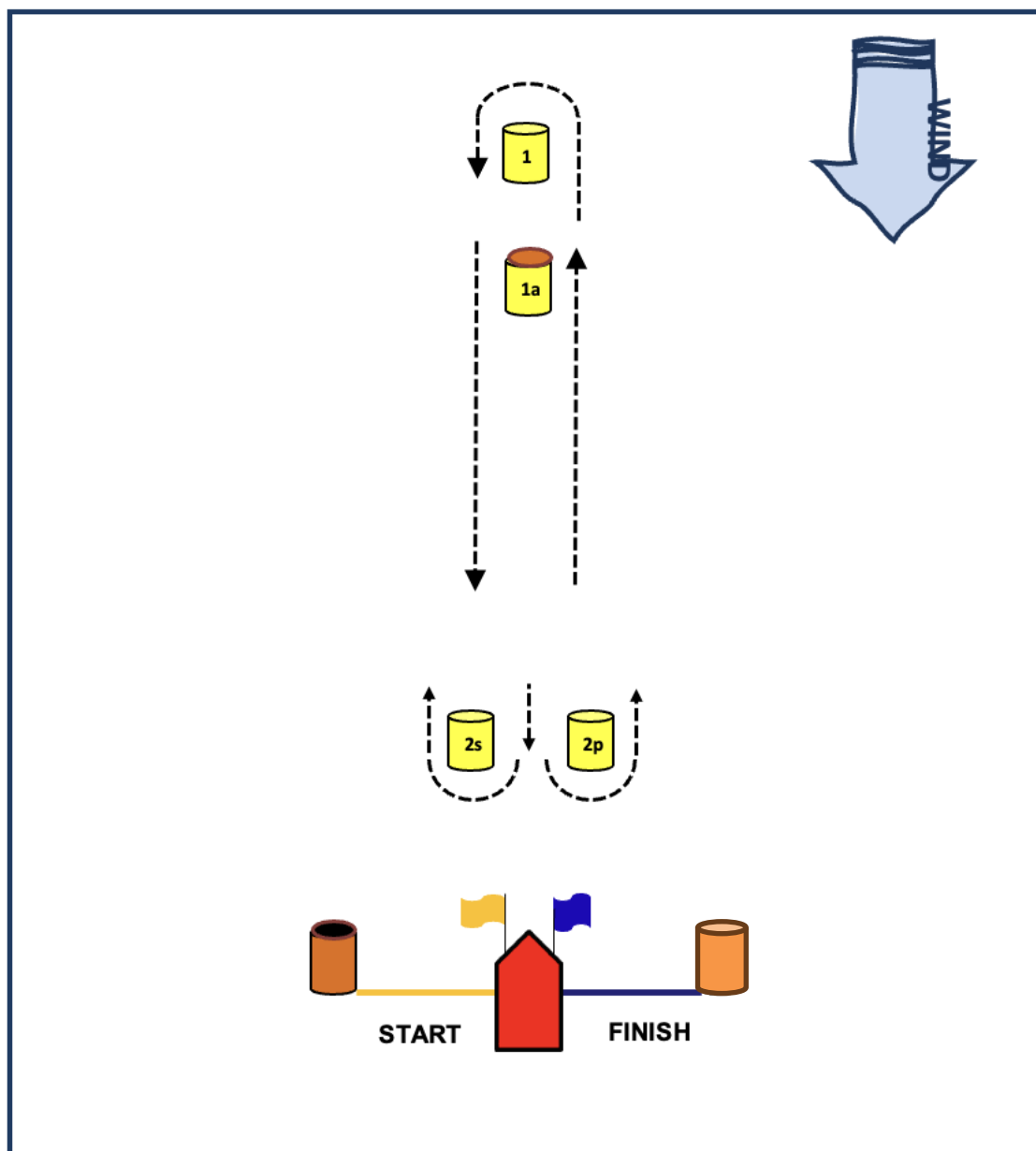
COURSE TYPE	MARK 1 TIME LIMIT	RACE TIME LIMIT	FINISHING WINDOW
Short Passage	45 mins (0.75hrs)	4hrs	45 mins (0.75hrs)
Short Passage Hot Laps	Nil	1500hrs	Nil
Passage Series	150 mins (2.5hrs)	6hrs	120 mins (2hrs)

ATTACHMENT C – COURSES

COURSE	MARK ROUNDINGS	TYPE
X1	A Course set by the Race Committee as advised at the Compulsory Skippers Briefing	SP
W1	START – 1 – FINISH	RTC
W2	START – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – FINISH	RTC
W3	START – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 3s/3p – 1 – FINISH	RTC

ATTACHMENT D – OFFSHORE COURSE DIAGRAMS

WINDWARD/LEEWARD & TRIANGULAR COURSE



The Start/Finish line and buoys may change & will be confirmed at the Compulsory Skippers Briefing.

ATTACHMENT H - HOT LAPS

Hot Laps Format

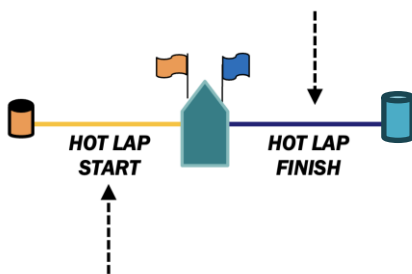
H1. Objective

This attachment introduces an optional “Hot Laps” format for the Summer Short Passage Series. This concept is designed to provide a flexible and engaging racing experience for competitors, allowing boats to sail multiple timed laps on a designated course within a fixed window. Results will be calculated based on each yacht’s fastest corrected lap time.

H2. Course

The Race Committee will set a course X1 and advise the course at briefing as well as a Start Line and a Finish Line in accordance with Attachment H H2.1.

H2.1. Start and Finish Line



H3. Start Procedure

Boats may start at any time after 1100. There will be no traditional start sequence or signals. Each boat shall have a recorded start time by the Race Control when any part of her hull, crew, or equipment crosses the start line in the direction of the first mark.

H4. Finish Procedure

A boat completes a lap when any part of her hull, crew, or equipment crosses the finish line from the direction of the last mark of the course. Each boat shall have a recorded finish time for each lap completed.

H5. Scoring

Each boat’s elapsed time for each lap will be calculated as: $\text{Elapsed Lap Time} = \text{Finish Time} - \text{Start Time}$. Each boat’s fastest corrected lap time, after applying the appropriate handicap (PHS, IRC, or ORC), will determine her result. Boats that complete no laps will be scored DNC. The Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) applies.

H6. Time Limit

No boat may finish after 1500 hours. Any lap not completed by 1500 hours will not be counted.

H7. Communication

The Race Committee will broadcast course details, operational reminders, and the opening/closing of the timing window on VHF Channel 09. Competitors are encouraged to confirm their start and finish times on VHF Channel 09 to the Race Committee when practical.

H8. Safety

All boats shall comply with the Category 4 Safety Requirements and sign on/off in accordance with the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee reserves the right to shorten, abandon, or modify the course at any time for safety reasons.

H9. Results and Prizes

Provisional results will be published as soon as practicable after the completion of racing for IRC, ORC and PHS. Prizes will be awarded based on the fastest corrected lap times on PHS.

H10. Notes

This experimental format is intended to encourage participation and provide flexibility for competitors. Feedback from this trial will be used to determine future inclusion of the “Hot Laps” concept in Southport Yacht Club events.

