



**SOUTH AFRICAN  
SAILING**

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## **2022 ZYC BUSINESS LEAGUE SERIES**

**Dates:** 26 SEPTEMBER to 16 DECEMBER 2022

**Venue:** ZULULAND YACHT CLUB

**Organising Authority:** ZYC

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

## **1. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 1.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at CLUBHOUSE: SAILING NOTICE BOARD and ZYC BUSINESS LEAGUE WHATSAPP GROUP.
- 1.2 The race office is located at ZYC, TEL 035788 0256 AND [www.zyc.co.za](http://www.zyc.co.za).

## **2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 30 minutes before the first start on the day it will take effect

## **3. CODE OF CONDUCT**

Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

## **4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

Signals made ashore will be displayed at pinnacle point, ZYC.

## **5. RACING AREA**

The racing area is the bay of Richards Bay harbour and surrounds.

## **6. COURSES**

Various courses will be discussed at the briefing prior to racing each morning.

## **7. MARKS**

A description of all marks will be drawn on the black board.

## **8. THE START**

9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

9.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

## **9. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark or move the finishing line and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## **10. THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be discussed and explained at the briefing.

## **11. SHORTENING COURSE .**

In addition to the provisions of RRS 32, the race committee may also signal a shortened course by displaying flag "S" with repeated sounds. A safety boat will be stationed at the last mark from where the course will be shortened and directed to the finish line.

## **13. PENALTY SYSTEM**

For the series, a penalised boat will do a 360 degree penalty turn.

## **14. SCORING**

All races will be sailed on a match racing format. Points will be scored as follows:

- 3 points for a win in each race
- 2 points for a loss in each race
- 1 point for a default win when a race did not take place due to opponents not racing
- 0 point for a default loss when a boat did not race.
- No discards will be allowed.
- All races will be recorded and calculated on a leaderboard.
- When entries between 2 and 6 boats are registered for the league, all boats will sail against each other on a round-robin basis. The best four entries will advance to semi finals and finals on 16 December. If scores are tied, a count out will ensue by considering the best scores in last race/s.
- When more than 6 boats enter the series, two pools will be established. Each pool will contest other teams on a round-robin format and produce a number 1 and 2. Counts outs will be done as above. For the semi-finals, Winner of pool "A" will sail against the runner-up of pool "B" and Winner of pool "B" will sail against runner up in pool "A". These winners will advance to the final race.

- Semi-finals and finals will be contested on 16 December 2022

## **15. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

18.1 Substitution of competitors is allowed

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

## **19. SUPPORT PERSON VESSEL**

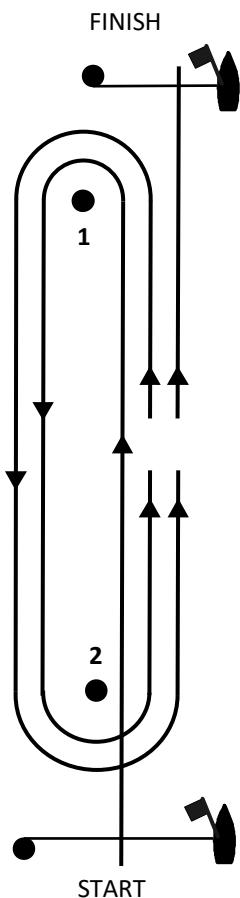
Support person vessels shall stay outside of the course and at least 10 m from boats racing.

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**COURSE 1 – NUMERAL PENNANT 1 / NUMBER 1**

**A Windward-Leeward Course**

**Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – Finish**



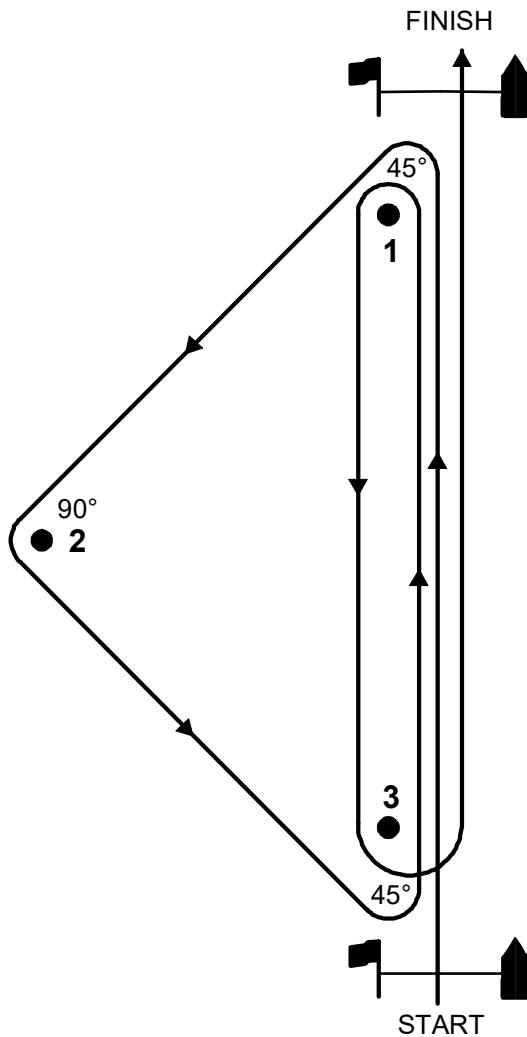
*Options for this course include*

- (1) *increasing or decreasing the number of laps,*
- (2) *deleting the last windward leg,*
- (3) *using a gate instead of a leeward mark,*
- (4) *using an offset mark at the windward mark, and*
- (5) *using the leeward and windward marks as starting and finishing marks.*

## COURSE 2 – NUMERAL PENNANT 2 / NUMBER 2

A Triangle-Windward-Leeward- Course

Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish



Options for this course include

- (1) increasing or decreasing the number of laps,
- (2) deleting the last windward leg,
- (3) varying the interior angles of the triangle ( $45^\circ$ – $90^\circ$ – $45^\circ$  and  $60^\circ$ – $60^\circ$ – $60^\circ$  are common),
- (4) using a gate instead of a leeward mark for downwind legs (but not reaches),
- (5) using an offset mark at the beginning of downwind legs (but not reaches), and
- (6) using the leeward and windward marks as starting and finishing marks.

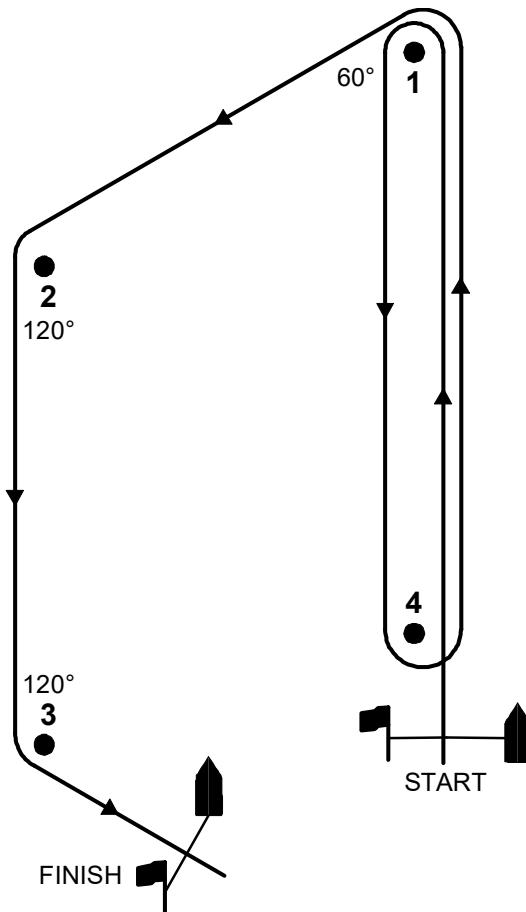
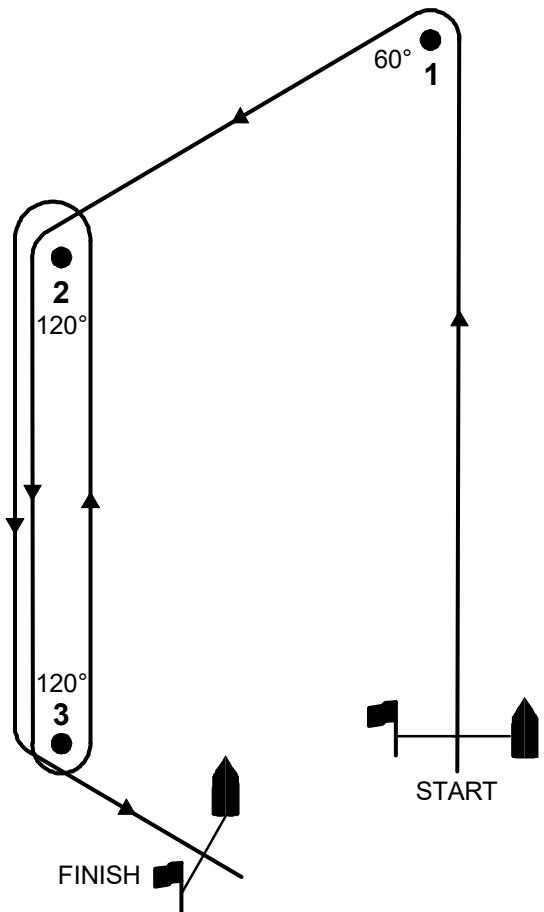
Be sure to specify the interior angle at each mark.

## COURSE 3 – NUMERAL PENNANT 3 / NUMBER 3

### Trapezoid Courses

**Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – Finish**

**Start – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish**



Options for these courses include

- (1) adding additional legs,
- (2) using gates instead of leeward marks for downwind legs (but not reaches),
- (3) varying the interior angles of the reaching legs,
- (4) using an offset mark at the beginning of downwind legs (but not reaches), and
- (5) finishing boats upwind rather than on a reach.

Be sure to specify the interior angle of each reaching leg. It is recommended that Mark 4 be different from the starting mark.