

WOOLLAHRA SAILING CLUB

Sailing Instructions (SI) — Course & Support Zones

The standard WSC Sailing Instructions apply. The following clauses specifically govern course configurations and support vessel management for the 2026 Youth Spring Series.

Clause 9: Courses & Rounding Sequence

9.1 Overview

Course configurations from the previous season are maintained, featuring Windward/Leeward (Course W) and Trapezoid (Course T) layouts to accommodate Optimists and Skiffs.

9.2 Course Configurations

- **Course W1 (Windward/Leeward - 1 Lap):** Start → 1 → 1A → 2S/2P (Gate) → Finish
- **Course W2 (Windward/Leeward - 2 Laps):** Start → 1 → 1A → 2S/2P → 1 → 1A → 2S/2P → Finish
- **Course T1 (Trapezoid - Outer/Inner Loop):**
Outer Loop (29er): Start → 1 → 2 → 3 → 2S/2P → Finish
Inner Loop (Optimist): Start → 1 → 4 → 2S/2P → Finish

9.3 Rounding Marks

- **Marks 1, 1A, 2, 3, 4:** Yellow inflatable cylindrical buoys (Port hand rounding unless otherwise specified).
- **Gate Marks 2S / 2P:** Orange inflatable conical buoys. If no gate is set, Mark 2 shall be rounded to Port.
- **Start / Finish Marks:** Committee vessel (Starboard end) and a pink teardrop buoy (Port end).

Clause 18: Support & Coach Vessels

18.1 Registration & Identification

Coach and support vessels are encouraged and permitted on the water. All support vessels must register with the WSC Race Committee prior to taking to the water and must prominently display their assigned WSC Support/Coach Vessel Flag at all times.

18.2 Active Racing Exclusion Zone

In accordance with IODA guidelines, during active racing (from the warning signal until the last boat in a fleet finishes or retires), all support and coach vessels shall remain strictly outside the active racing zone. The **Active Racing Zone** is defined as the area extending **100 metres outside** any racing boat and the line-of-sight laylines between marks.

18.3 Support Vessel Zone (SVZ) & Coaching Windows

Support vessels must position themselves within the designated Support Vessel Zone (SVZ) as shown in Attachment A, or at least 100m downwind/leeward of the start line while racing is in progress. Support vessels may freely approach competitors for coaching, nutrition, and support *between* completed races, provided such activity does not delay any subsequent warning signals.