



Paradise Radio Yacht Club (Inc).

RACING RULES OF SAILING

2021 – 2024

MODULE 1 - Part 2 section A -Right of Way 10 and 11

1. The Bible for Radio Sailing is the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). These rules are audited and amended every 4 years with the current version being the 2021 - 2024 addition. The main body of rules covers those matters which are applicable to all forms of yacht racing. These are amended for specific types of sailing by the Appendix. The Appendix that amends the rules for radio sailing is Appendix E.

2. We will break down the RRS in small sections using the Sailizing Online Sailing Education material to explain each rule. This is an excellent series of videos and teaching aid. It will be of most benefit to members new to the sport but should be of interest to all members participating in the sport of radio yacht racing. It must be remembered that the series was designed for big boat racing. There will be an explanation provided where the rules have been amended for radio sailing.

3. It would be advantageous for you to have a copy of the 2021 – 2022 RRS when working through these rules. If you do not have a copy, you can download one for free from the World Sailing website or a study guide for the RRS as amended by Appendix E, from the Paradise Radio Yacht Club website. There are also several professionally produced books on the rules with diagrams and explanations that you can purchase. There will be a link to John Ball series of articles covering RC Sailing Rules and Tactics for those who require further information on the subject being discussed.

4. Because there is a wide range of experience amongst our members, some of the material may seem a little basic, but if you work through it, they will become more involved and you will have a better understanding of the rules which govern our sport. If you have any difficulties opening the links, **right-click** on the link, then press **Open Hyperlink**. There may be a short ad before the video commences. Each video is between 6 and 10 minutes in duration.

5. We will begin with what is arguably the basis of the rules, the “Right of Way Rules” 10 and 11 which are contained in Part 2, Section A of the RRS. There are two appendix E amendments that must be kept in mind when viewing these videos:

- a. **44.1 Taking a Penalty** (as amended by E4.3 for RC racing only one penalty turn is required.)

A boat may take a **One-Turn Penalty** when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2, or rule 31, in an incident while *racing*. and

- b. There are only three places a hail is mandatory in radio sailing:
 - (1) Protesting (RRS 60.1),
 - (2) Calling for room to tack at an obstruction (RRS 20.1) and
 - (3) Boat out of radio control (RRS E2.3)



6. **OBJECTIVE:** At the end of this module, you will be able to:
- Identify which boats have ROW (ROW) between boats on opposite tacks.
 - Identify which boat has ROW between boats on the same tack, overlapped and
 - Understand the following definitions as they apply to the RRS:
 - keep clear.*
 - port and starboard tack.*
 - clear ahead, clear astern, and overlapped.* and
 - windward and leeward.

SECTION A

RIGHT OF WAY

*A boat has right of way over another boat when the other boat is required to **keep clear** of her. However, some rules in Sections B, C and D limit the actions of a right-of-way boat.*

7. **RRS 10.
ON OPPOSITE TACKS**

When boats are on opposite *tacks*, a *port-tack* boat shall *keep clear* of a *starboard-tack* boat.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eiOijHuutNs>

8. **RRS 11.
ON THE SAME TACK, OVERLAPPED**

When boats are on the same *tack* and *overlapped*, a *windward* boat shall *keep clear* of a *leeward* boat.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-RYpftdyvV4>

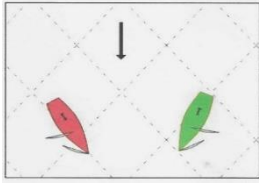
9. It is important that you understand the right of way rules. They are the foundation block required for understanding the rules of our sport. Further reading on this subject can be found in John's RC Sailing Rules and Tactics, Chapter 1: The Definitions pages 1 to 6, by John Ball at:

<https://sites.google.com/site/johnsrcsailingrulesandtactics/>

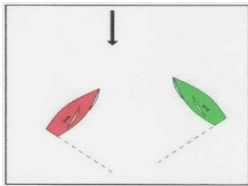
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11. In our next session we will cover RRS 12 and 13 of the Right of Way rules

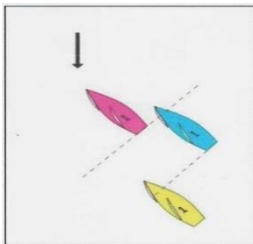
TEST OF OBJECTIVES RRS 10 AND 11



1. Which of these boats have Right of Way: Red/Green



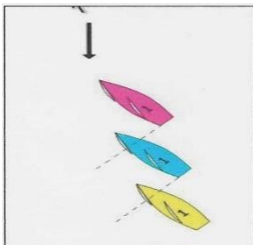
2. Which of these boats have Right of Way: Red/Green



3. Does yellow have ROW over blue: Yes/No

4. Does yellow have ROW over pink: Yes/No

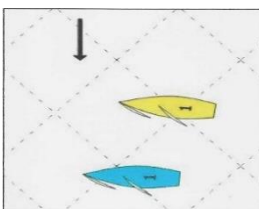
5. Does blue have ROW over pink: Yes/No



6. Does yellow have ROW over blue: Yes/No

7. Does yellow have ROW over pink: Yes/No

8. Does blue have ROW over pink: Yes/No



9. Does yellow have ROW over blue: Yes/No

Answer: 1. Green. 2. Green. 3. Yes. 4. No. 5. No. 6. Yes. 7. Yes. 8. Yes. 9. No.