



2026 Platu 25 Thailand Championship Series

Hosted by

Ocean Marina Jomtien

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in **The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)**.
- 1.2 The Platu 25 Class Rules will apply, including Thailand Class Amendments.
- 1.3 The prescriptions of the Yacht Racing Association of Thailand will apply.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted by **0900** hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by **2000** hrs on the day before it will take effect. Changes will also be posted on the official regatta WhatsApp group chat.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be displayed on the official noticeboard next to the OMJ Marina Office and via the official regatta WhatsApp group chat.
- 3.2 The race management channel shall be **VHF 72**.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed on the flag mast next to the Travelift bay and will be posted on the official regatta WhatsApp group chat.
- 4.2 When '**AP flag**' is displayed ashore, '**1 minute**' is replaced with 'not less than **SIXTY (60)** minutes' in **Race Signals AP**.

5 RACING CALENDAR

5.1 The table below outlines the 2026 racing calendar, as per the calendar dates and racing days.

	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6
Practice Day	Feb 26	Apr 30	Jul 9	Sep 3	Oct 25	Oct 29
Day 1	Feb 27	May 1	Jul 10	Sep 4	Oct 26	Oct 30
Day 2	Feb 28	May 2	Jul 11	Sep 5	Oct 27	Oct 31
Day 3	Mar 1	May 3	Jul 12	Sep 6	Oct 28	Nov 1
Spare Day					Oct 29	
Day 4		May 4				

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The table below outlines the notable activities and their timings. Note that depending on the length of the round (as seen in **SI 5.1**) some activities may differ i.e. the use of a spare day or the day the regatta finishes. If a scheduled race day is lost due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances, the Spare Day may be used for racing. Notice of use of the Spare Day will be posted by **2000** hrs on the day before it is scheduled.

Date	Time	Activity
Practice Day	Confirm with OMJ	Launch & Free Practice
Day 1	0930 hrs 1055 hrs	Competitor Briefing First Warning Signal
Day 2	1055 hrs	First Warning Signal
Day 3	1055 hrs	First Warning Signal
Spare Day		May be used for racing
Day 4	1055 hrs	First Warning Signal
Final Day	1500 hrs ASAP After Racing	No Warning Signal After This Time Prize Giving Ceremony

6.2 It is the intention to complete up to **THIRTEEN (13)** races at each Round.

6.3 **THREE (3)** completed races will constitute a series.

6.4 A 'Distance Race' may be announced the day before it is scheduled. This race will be scored as 'Double Points' and will not be discardable.

7 CLASS FLAG

7.1 The class flag will be the Platu Thailand flag.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The race area shall be in the Gulf of Thailand, within approximately **FIVE (5)** nautical miles from Ocean Marina Jomtien, wind direction dependent.

9 COURSES

9.1 Courses 1-3 will be windward leeward courses.

Course 1 – **S-1-1a-F**

Course 2 – **S-1-1a-2-1-1a-F**

Course 3 – **S-1-1a-2-1-1a-2-1-1a-F**

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee vessel will display the course to be sailed.

9.3 Up to **FIVE (5)** races will be conducted per day. Target race duration is **FORTY (40)** minutes.

9.4 The diagram in **SI Addendum 1** shows the approximate mark configuration.

9.5 A 'distance' race may be announced the day before it is scheduled. It will be posted before **2000** hrs on the day before it will be sailed. Target race duration will be **NINETY (90)** to **ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120)** minutes.

10 MARKS

10.1 The starting line port end mark will be an orange ball.

10.2 The finish mark will be a white cylinder.

10.3 **Mark 1** (the windward mark) will be a yellow cube.

10.4 **Mark 1a** (the offset mark) will be a yellow cylinder.

10.5 **Mark 2** (the leeward mark) will be a yellow cylinder.

10.6 Additional windward marks may be laid. They will be a red cube and a white cube.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started using **RRS 26**.

11.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

11.3 A yellow, red or white flag will be displayed on the committee boat before the start to indicate the first mark to be rounded.

11.4 A course board will display the course number.

11.5 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified; the race committee will attempt to hail her bow number. A boat may not request redress based on failure of the race committee to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed. This changes **RRS 61.1(a)**.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark or marks, identified in **SI 10.6**.

12.2 These marks will not have offset marks.

12.3 Changes to the next leg of the course will be signalled by repeated sound signals and '**Code Flag C**' being displayed near the leeward mark. A flag designating the colour of the next mark to be rounded will also be displayed.

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 A **ONE (1)** Turn Penalty will apply for all infringements apart from those that occur in the zone of a mark of the course or a finishing mark. A **TWO (2)** turns penalty will then apply, except that a boat that breaks **RRS 31** need only complete a **ONE (1)** turn penalty. This changes **RRS 44.1**.

14.2 Any Protest under **Section A** will be preceded with Arbitration, refer **RRS Appendix T**.

14.3 In case of injury or damage for insurance purposes, a protest will need to be formalised should there be no admission of fault from the mediation process.

14.4 Serial offences or un-sportsperson like behaviour may invoke **RRS Rule 69**.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 If no boat has rounded **Mark 1** within **TWENTY (20)** minutes the race will be abandoned.

15.2 The Finishing Window for Windward Leeward races is **TEN (10)** minutes after the first boat sails the course. Boats failing to sail the course within the Finishing Window, will be scored Did Not Finish (**DNF**) without a hearing. This changes **RRS 35, A5.1, and A5.2**.

15.3 The Finishing Window for a Distance Race is **THIRTY (30)** minutes after the first boat sails the course. Boats failing to sail the course within the Finishing Window, will be scored Did Not Finish (**DNF**) without a hearing. This changes **RRS 35, A5.1, and A5.2**.

15.4 The target time for Windward Leeward races is **FORTY (40)** minutes.

15.5 The target time for a Distance Race is **NINETY (90)** to **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120)** minutes.

15.6 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes **RRS 61**.

16 HEARING REQUESTS

16.1 protest time limit is **THIRTY (30)** minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

16.2 Protests under **Section A** will be preceded with Arbitration per **RRS Appendix T**.

17 SCORING

17.1 For each 'Round', the Low Point System of **Appendix A** will apply.

17.2 THREE (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a 'Round'.

17.3 A Distance Race will be scored as 'double points'. This score will not be discardable.

17.4 (a) When **FIVE (5)** races have been completed, the worst score will be excluded.

(b) When **TEN (10)** races have been completed, the worst **TWO (2)** scores will be excluded.

(c) When **FIFTEEN (15)** races have been completed, the worst **THREE (3)** scores will be excluded.

(d) When **TWENTY (20)** races have been completed, the worst **FOUR (4)** scores will be excluded.

(e) When **TWENTY-FIVE (25)** races have been completed, the worst **FIVE (5)** scores will be excluded.

17.5 The 'Platu 25 Thailand Championship Series' will be determined by a **Skipper's** best **THREE (3)** 'Round' scores.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

18.1 Per International Platu Class Association rules, there will be no weigh-in.

18.2 Boats may be inspected at any time.

18.3 Boats shall comply with **RRS 78.1**

19 BERTHING

19.1 All boats will be allocated berthing by OMJ & will remain in the water for the duration of the regatta. Special dispensation for emergency repairs upon request.

20 PRIZES

20.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top **THREE (3)** overall finishers for each Round.

20.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

21 RISK STATEMENT

21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See **RRS 3**, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

22 INSURANCE

22.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of **THB 10,000,000** per incident or the equivalent.

For further information, please contact: info@platuracingthailand.com

ADDENDUM A



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