



# Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron

RACE ABANDONMENT POLICY

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## **On Shore**

Any decision to race, postpone or abandon racing shall be made by any two (2) members of the Race Committee in consultation with either the Sailing Manager or Sailing Committee Chairperson.

A decision to race on any given day does not relieve any competitor of his/her obligation under RRS Fundamental Rule 4. Competitors are reminded of the range of abilities and equipment that vary fleet to fleet and class to class, competitors should make their decisions based on their own skills and equipment.

For Seasons Points Saturday and Sunday racing the decision to race, postpone or abandon shall not be made before 1100 hours for Saturday racing and 0900 hours for Sunday Racing on the day of the race unless circumstances dictate that an earlier decision would be appropriate noting:

Racing shall not be started if there is a current Gale (or higher), Tsunami or other severe weather warning that is likely to impact the race area.

Races shall only be abandoned after careful consideration of all weather conditions and their likely impact on the course area(s).

## **Afloat**

Race Officers are to use their discretion, in accordance with their training and experience and may Abandon Racing for any reason they deem appropriate. Reasons may not be readily apparent to sailors, for example availability of rescue craft.