



Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron

SAILING ENTRY SAFETY AND
AUDITING POLICY

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Sailing Entry Safety and Auditing Policy

RQYS Conducts Racing in Division Yachts, Sportsboats and Trailerable Boats, Keelboats (Etchells and others), Off the Beach Dinghy's and Catamarans, and for Windsurfers.

Owners and Sailors of racing boats are responsible for the safety, structural integrity, and general upkeep of their boats in such a manner that renders them suitable for racing at the Squadron.

All Owners and Sailors are required to comply with the relevant Laws that apply to boating in Queensland and Australia.

In order to assist Owners and Sailors in this RQYS has the following requirements for fleets.

1) Wednesday Afternoon Go Sailing (WAGS)

Monohulls and Multihulls, Yacht, Keelboat, or Trailerable, shall comply with Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 for Racing Boats Category 6 and these forms shall be Audited by an Australian Sailing accredited Equipment Auditor

2) Division Yacht Racing, Sportsboats, and Inshore Multihull Racing.

Yachts competing in Division yacht Events, unless otherwise specified in a Notice of Race, shall comply with Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 for Racing Boats Category 5 which shall be Audited by an Australian Sailing accredited Equipment Auditor

3) Keelboats (Etchells and any other similar class e.g. Flying 15)

Shall Comply with their Class Rules and shall have an independently Audited Form which confirms that the boat complies with its Class Rules.

4) Off the Beach Dinghies, Multihulls and Windsufers

Shall comply with the Australian Sailing Special Regulations for Off the Beach boats as they apply to their class, and may be inspected for compliance by an RQYS Safety Inspector. Failure to pass inspection will incur no penalty, but the boat shall not race until she conforms with her Class Rules in regards Safety, or with an Australian Sailing Off the Beach Safety Inspection Checklist.

All boats who are required to have an Audited Category Safety Form shall provide that form to the RQYS Sailing Office no later than the first race of the Season or Series they wish to enter. Any submitted is considered current for 12 months from date of inspection.

Where a boat has been altered such that she no longer meets the minimum Category Safety Configuration on the form submitted, she shall be expected to complete a form relevant to the Category she is racing under. Eg: a Boat shall not be considered valid if she has submitted a Category 2 Safety Audit and then removes Category Safety Equipment which makes her inconsistent with a Category 5 form.

Where necessary this Policy may be modified by Notice of Race in any way to deal with Regatta and Series Requirements however, unless specified that a particular clause supersedes this document they are to be read in conjunction.