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# **Schools Fleet & Teams Racing Term 1 2024**

## **Schools Fleet Racing**

28 January – 11 February 2024 (3 Weeks)

## **Schools Team Racing**

18 February – 10 March 2024 (4 Weeks)

# **NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)**

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

**ROYAL QUEENSLAND YACHT SQUADRON LTD**  
578 Royal Esplanade, Manly, QLD 4179

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).  
The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee be less than disqualification.

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The **Fleet Racing** series shall be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Appendix P (as amended in Sailing Instructions) shall apply to The **Fleet Racing** series.
- 1.3 Appendix T (Arbitration) shall apply to The **Fleet Racing** series.
- 1.4 The **Team Racing** series shall be governed by the RRS and Appendix D shall apply.
- 1.5 Competitors must follow Club Policies (<https://www.rqys.com.au/policiesanddocuments/> )

## 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any changes made in the Sailing Instructions supersede this document.
- 2.2 The **Fleet Racing** sailing instructions will be available after 1200 on 27/01/2024 at <https://www.rqys.com.au/sailingnoticeboard/> .
- 2.3 The **Team Racing** sailing instructions will be available after 1200 on 17/02/2024 at <https://www.rqys.com.au/sailingnoticeboard/> .

## 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://www.rqys.com.au/sailingnoticeboard/> .
- 3.2 [DP] [NP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entries consist of full-time students from the nominating school that meet the eligibility requirements and are students in Years 7 – 12.
- 4.2 All students sailing in these series must be less than 19 years of age at 31 December 2024.
- 4.3 All competitors are required to be a member of a yacht or sailing club affiliated with Australian Sailing and must provide a valid AS number.
- 4.4 Skippers must hold at least AS Start Sailing 1 and 2 or Tacker 1, 2 & 3 certificates or equivalent prior experience recognised by the Organising Authority. Copies of these certificates must be produced on request. (Schools can organise these courses through RQYS subject to availability. Contact the RQYS Sailing Academy on 07 3396 8666.)
- 4.5 Schools may enter eligible skippers and crew by downloading and completing the linked form(s) and sending back to [sailing@rqys.com.au](mailto:sailing@rqys.com.au) by 1500 Friday 25 January 2024 (**Fleet Racing**):
  - 4.5 (a) Vessel and Skipper Registration: <https://www.rqys.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Fleet-Skipper-Vessel-Registration.xlsx>
  - 4.5 (b) Crew Registration: <https://www.rqys.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Fleet-Crew-Entry.xlsx>
- 4.6 Schools may enter eligible teams by downloading and completing the linked form(s) and sending back to [sailing@rqys.com.au](mailto:sailing@rqys.com.au) by 1500 Thursday 11 February 2024 (**Team Racing**):
  - 4.6 (a) Team Registration Form: <https://www.rqys.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Teams-Teams-Vessel-Registration.xlsx>
- 4.7 Casual entries for **fleet racing** shall be lodged to the Sailing Office and shall be received up to 8:30 AM on the day of racing.

#### 4.8 Team Racing Only:

- 4.8 (a) Teams shall consist of a maximum of eight (8) students from the nominating school that meet eligibility requirements.
- 4.8 (b) Any combination of six (6) registered team members may race.
- 4.8 (c) Team skippers for a school's higher ranked team shall not be eligible to skipper for a team in a lower division.

4.9 To be considered an entry in the event, all registration requirements shall be completed.

4.10 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

### 5. FEES

5.1 Fees are as follows:

Fleet Racing Series Entry (per boat)	\$80.00
Fleet Racing Casual Entry per week	\$50.00
Team Racing (per team)	\$300.00

5.2 All regatta fees will be invoiced to each school after the conclusion of the regatta.

5.3 Any Refunds will be as per the RQYS Sailing Refunds Policies (<https://www.rqys.com.au/policiesanddocuments/>).

### 6. SCHEDULE

DATE	EVENT	TIME
<b>Schools Fleet Racing</b>		
Sunday 28 January & 04 February 2024	Briefing on the Rigging Lawn	8:30 hrs
	First Warning Signal (5 Races)	9:45 hrs
Sunday 11 February 2024	Briefing on the Rigging Lawn	8:30 hrs
	First Warning Signal (5 Races)	9:45 hrs
	Presentation on the Rigging Lawn	After Racing
<b>Schools Team Racing</b>		
Sunday 18, 25 February & 03 March 2024	Silver Fleet Briefing on the Rigging Lawn	8:30 hrs
	Silver First Warning Signal	9:30 hrs
	Gold Fleet Briefing on the Rigging Lawn	11:45 hrs
	Gold First Warning Signal	13:00 hrs
Sunday 10 March 2024	Silver Fleet Briefing on the Rigging Lawn	8:30 hrs
	Silver Fleet First Warning Signal	09:30 hrs
	Silver Fleet Presentation on the Rigging Lawn	After Racing
	Gold Fleet Briefing on the Rigging Lawn	11:45 hrs
	Gold First Warning Signal	13:00 hrs
	Gold Fleet Presentation on the Rigging Lawn	After Racing

6.1 **Fleet Racing Only:** On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500 hrs.

6.2 **Team Racing Only:** On all scheduled race days, no warning signal for **Silver Fleet** will be made after 1230 hrs and for **Gold Fleet** 1600 hrs.

6.3 The Race Officer may elect to come in for a break and will notify sailors by using L flag.

## 7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

7.1 Boats may be inspected at any time.

## 8. VENUE

8.1 NoR Attachment A shows the plan of the event venue.

8.2 NoR Attachment B shows the location of the racing areas.

## 9. COURSES

9.1 The courses shall be described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 10. SCORING AND FORMAT

### Fleet Racing Only

10.1 Four (4) races must be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

10.3 When from five (5) to seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

10.4 When from eight (8) or fourteen (14) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst two (2) scores.

10.5 When from fifteen (15) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst three (3) scores.

10.6 Results are tracked to a skipper's sail number.

10.6 (a) Skippers must confirm their sail number on the sign on sheet for every day of racing. Failure to comply shall result in the boat being score DNC without a hearing for the first race on that day. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

### Team Racing Only

10.7 Racing shall be in a round robin format with a finals series.

10.8 Teams will be seeded into **Gold** and Silver fleets based on results from teams racing term 4 2023.

10.9 Scoring shall be as per RRS Appendix D.

10.10 At the end of each of the first 3 days of racing, scores from rounds with more than 80% of the scheduled races completed will be used to determine teams to be promoted and demoted between the **Gold** and silver fleets. The lowest scoring **Gold** Fleet team will be demoted to the Silver Fleet, and the highest scoring Silver Fleet team will be promoted to the **Gold** Fleet.

10.10 (a) Scores from rounds with less than 80% of the scheduled races completed shall be used to break any ties.

10.10 (b) Results from the round robin stage on each day of racing will not be carried forward to the next day of racing.

10.11 The Organising Authority reserves the right to alter the format at any time.

## 11. [DP] [NP] UMPIRING FOR TEAM RACING

11.1 Schools participating in Team Racing must provide one (1) umpire per one (1) or two (2) teams entered, and two (2) umpires per three (3) teams entered. i.e. 1 team = 1 umpire submitted, 2 teams = 1 umpire submitted, 3 teams = 2 umpires submitted.

## 12. RISK STATEMENT

12.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.**

### **13. INSURANCE**

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000AUD per incident or the equivalent.

### **14. PRIZES**

#### **14.1 Fleet Racing:**

- 14.1 (A) 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall Scratch.  
14.1 (b) 1<sup>st</sup> all female boat overall Scratch.

#### **14.2 Teams Racing:**

- 14.2 (a) 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> **Gold** and Silver fleets based on finals.  
14.2 (b) 1<sup>st</sup> all female team **Gold** and Silver fleets based on finals.  
14.2 (c) As per NoR 4.8(a) a maximum of 8 medals will be awarded to each placing team.

- 14.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

### **15. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 15.1 For further information please contact:  
RQYS Sailing: 07 3396 8666 / [sailing@rqys.com.au](mailto:sailing@rqys.com.au)  
578 Royal Esplanade MANLY QLD 4179 AUS  
[www.rqys.com.au](http://www.rqys.com.au)

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## LOCATION INFORMATION

Access to RQYS:	RQYS Reception is available to assist with access between the hours of 7am and 7pm.
Manly Amenities:	<p><a href="#">North Sails</a> (Sailmaker) – Club Sponsor North Sails is located just down the road from the club at 1/264 Tingal Road, an 8 minute drive away.</p> <p><a href="#">Muir Marine QLD</a> (Chandlery) - Muir Marine have been serving the Marine Industry for over 100 years and supply everything in boating equipment. Located at 453 Esplanade a 3 minute drive from the club.</p> <p><a href="#">IGA Manly Village</a> – IGA is the closest grocery store to RQYS located just 3 minute drive away, at the corner of Stratton Tce &amp; Cambridge Parade.</p> <p><a href="#">Manly Village Medical</a> – Is the closest medical centre to RQYS, located at 25 Cambridge Parade a 2 minute drive away.</p>
Local Weather:	<p>The RQYS Weather Station can be found at: <a href="https://www.rqys.com.au/weather-station/">https://www.rqys.com.au/weather-station/</a></p> <p>The Weather Station records from above the club Bay Lookout.</p> <p>BOM: Radar: <a href="http://www.bom.gov.au/products/IDR663.loop.shtml">http://www.bom.gov.au/products/IDR663.loop.shtml</a> Marine Forecast: <a href="http://www.bom.gov.au/qld/forecasts/moreton-bay.shtml">http://www.bom.gov.au/qld/forecasts/moreton-bay.shtml</a></p> <p>Other Popular forecasts:</p> <p>Predict Wind: <a href="https://forecast.predictwind.com/table/">https://forecast.predictwind.com/table/</a> Seabreeze: <a href="https://www.seabreeze.com.au/weather/wind-forecast/brisbane">https://www.seabreeze.com.au/weather/wind-forecast/brisbane</a> WillyWeather: <a href="https://wind.willyweather.com.au/qld/brisbane/brisbane.html">https://wind.willyweather.com.au/qld/brisbane/brisbane.html</a></p>



## NoR Attachment A





The image is a nautical chart of the Port of Brisbane, Australia. It shows the coastline, major islands (Fisherman, Whyte, St. Helena, Green, King, and Wellington), and the Port of Brisbane. The chart includes numerous navigational aids such as buoys, lights, and beacons, along with depth soundings and various navigational notes. A white circle with a blue border is overlaid on the chart, centered on the text 'COURSE AREA'.