



140th Sailing Season

RQ Yacht Racing

15th September 2024
Thru to
23rd March 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

(NoR)

Including **Amendment 1**

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. This changes Rule 64.2

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix A 5.3 will Apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T – Arbitration will apply.
- 1.4 The Australian Sailing prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 1 Category 5 will apply.
 - 1.4 (a) All entries shall supply the Sailing Office with a valid SR Category 5 Safety Equipment Audit which has been endorsed by a certified auditor. See SI Attachment C.
- 1.5 The RQYS Constitution, Club Participation Rules, House Rules and Codes of Conduct will apply (<https://www.rqys.com.au/membership/rules-and-regulations/>).
- 1.6 The Skipper from each boat must fill in the [SailSys "Crew List"](#) of all sailors onboard competing in each race, prior to the start of the race.
 - 1.6 (a) See how to create your crew list [HERE](#)

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 1600 on 12/09/2024 at <https://www.rqys.com.au/140th-sailing-season-rqyachtracing/>

3. [DP] COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://www.rqys.com.au/140th-sailing-season-rqyachtracing/>
- 3.2 Secondary to the Official noticeboard "instant messaging" system WhatsApp may be used to notify skippers of timely information, confirmation of days course, Protest Time limit etc. join the group at: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HizbVHcOi3qGpyrQ1PS2Do>
- 3.3 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channels 16, 67, 72 & 77.
- 3.4 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.5 While racing, 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 Seasons entry is open to Yachts owned by financial members of the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron.
- 4.2 Seasons Entrants will be entered in the **Season Points** Series, as well as the **Squadron Championships** subseries.
- 4.3 Skippers with seasons entries are required to be financial members of the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron in the appropriate category.
- 4.4 All persons on board a boat while racing shall be members of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing and have an Australian Sailing number, or hold a valid [SailPASS](#), or if an international competitor, be a member of club affiliated to a World Sailing recognised Member National Authority.
- 4.5 Casual Entries can be lodged in advance by use of the SailSys entry system, casual entry must be lodged before the first warning signal of the day.
- 4.6 Casual entrants are required to be a member of Australian Sailing by having membership with an Australian Sailing affiliated club, or by obtaining an RQYS Sail Pass. See [RQYS SailPASS page](#) (<https://www.rqys.com.au/sailpass/>) for further information & rules.
- 4.7 Boats may enter the event by registering online at <https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/25/entry/series/3955/pricing>
- 4.8 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.9 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

5. FEES

- 5.1 Season Entry Fee (PHS Division Only) \$330.00
- 5.2 Additional Handicap Entry:
 - 5.2 (a) IRC Division Entry + \$25.00
 - 5.2 (b) OMR Division Entry + \$0.00
- 5.3 Casual Entry Fees:
 - 5.3 (a) RQYS Member \$50.00
 - 5.3 (b) Non-Members \$65.00
- 5.4 1001 Any Refunds will be as per the RQYS Sailing Refunds Policies (<https://www.rqys.com.au/membership/rules-and-regulations/>).

6. DIVISIONS

- 6.1 Divisions 1, 2 and 3 shall be split (by PHS) as follows
 - 6.1 (a) Division 1: 0.950 and above
 - 6.1 (b) Division 2: 0.949 and below
 - ~~6.1 (c) Division 3: 0.899 and below~~
 - ~~6.1 (d) Division 4: Cruising Non-Spinnaker~~
 - 6.1 (e) Division 5: Multihull
- 6.2 Divisions may be modified or combined based on number of entries and/or the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 6.3 The Race Committee may reallocate a boats division in the spirit of providing the best overall racing experience, this may override the division splits listed in NoR 6.1.

7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

8. SCHEDULE

- 8.1 Racing will be in accordance with the [Sailing Program](#) published online.
- 8.2 Seasons Points races will be every race of the Season.
- 8.3 Squadron Championships races will be as per the [Sailing Program](#).

9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 9.1 Boats may be inspected at any time.

10. VENUE

- 10.1 NoR Attachment A shows the plan of the event venue.

11. COURSES

- 11.1 The courses shall be described in the 2024/25 Course Booklets as provided by the RQYS Sailing Office, published online on the [RQ Yacht Racing Regatta Page](#) by Opening Day, 07 September 2024.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 Round the Cans Series requires 3 races to constitute a series, all other formats 1 race is required to constitute a series.
- 12.2 The number of discards shall be as follows;
- 12.2 (a) Squadron Championship: 1 discard after 4 completed races, 2 discards after 7 completed races.
- 12.2 (b) Seasons Points: 1 discard after 4 completed races, additional 1 discard after every additional 4 completed races.
- 12.2 (c) Passage Races Series: 1 discard after 4 completed races, 2 discards after 6 completed races.
- 12.2 (d) Round the Cans Series: 1 discard after 4 completed races.
- 12.3 A boat which Does Not Compete (DNC) in a race shall be scored the number competitors within the fleet at the starting area, plus an additional three (3) points. This changes RRS A5.3.
- 12.4 Average Points
- 12.4 (a) Average points may be requested for season entries when racing is missed due to competing at a National or International regatta or a World Sailing ranked event in the competitor's class, or in any other circumstance approved by the Sailing Committee.
- 12.4 (b) These points shall be awarded for no more than four (4) days in a season.
- 12.4 (c) To receive average points, sailors must request average points in advance by emailing sailing@rqys.com.au and have this approved by the Sailing Office BEFORE the missed day's racing.
- 12.4 (d) Average Points will be awarded as per RRS A9 (b) only if there have been two (2) races in the series before the race the competitor is applying for average points for. If there have not been two (2) races in the series already, the Race Committee will determine the application of average points.

13. [NP] BERTHING

- 13.1 [NP] No vessels shall berth or rig on the RQYS Fuel Dock unless re-fuelling or approval obtained from the RQYS Sailing or Marina Office.
- 13.2 For RQYS Marina Berths or use of the VIP Docks, please contact the RQYS Marina Office on 3396 8666 during business hours.

14. DATA PROTECTION

- 14.1 By participating in an event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for said event in which the competitor participated and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

15. RISK STATEMENT

- 15.1 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.**
- 15.2 All participants are required to comply with any safety provisions as mandated under the Racing Rules of Sailing, and any Class Rules that may apply. The Squadron encourages and supports competitors who believe it is appropriate to exceed the above requirements (such as the wearing of helmets, body armour, impact vests, etc.) if they or their guardian believe that conditions and their personal circumstances warrant. All competitor's attention is drawn to the Risk Statement - Section 15 of the Notice of Race.

16. INSURANCE

- 16.1 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.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1 The 2024/2025 Presentations of Trophies for Seasons Points and Squadron Championships and other events will take place in a Squadron Function Room, to be advised by invitation in future. A list of major trophies is at Attachment B.
- 17.2 Only Season Entrants are eligible for Seasons Points or Squadron Championship awards at the Senior Presentation of Trophies.
- 17.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1 For further information please contact:
RQYS Sailing: 07 3396 8666 / sailing@rqys.com.au
578 Royal Esplanade MANLY QLD 4179 AUS
www.rqys.com.au

LOCATION INFORMATION

- [Regatta Notice Board](#) View the Regatta Notice Board to access Sailing Instructions, Entry, Amendments and more
- Accommodation: Ample and varied accommodation is available in the local area. Early bookings are recommended.
- The Manly Marina Cove Motel is located on the grounds of RQYS – www.manlymarinacove.com
- Limited [camping](#) facilities **may** be available in the grounds of RQYS.
- Other Local Accommodation Includes:
[The Manly Hotel](#), [Waterloo Bay Hotel](#), [Pelican's Nestle Inn](#), [Wynnum Anchor Motel](#)
- Access to RQYS: RQYS Reception (located on the left as you enter the club) is available to assist with access between the hours of 7am and 7pm.
- Manly Amenities: [North Sails](#) (Sailmaker) – Club Sponsor North Sails is located just down the road from the club at 1/264 Tingal Road, an 8 minute drive away.
- [Muir Marine QLD](#) (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.
- [IGA Manly Village](#) – IGA is the closest grocery store to RQYS located just 3 minute drive away, at the corner of Stratton Tce & Cambridge Parade.
- [Manly Village Medical](#) – Is the closest medical centre to RQYS, located at 25 Cambridge Parade a 2 minute drive away.
- Local Weather: The RQYS Weather Station can be found at:
<https://www.rqys.com.au/weather-station/>
The Weather Station records from above the club Bay Lookout.
- BOM: Radar: <http://www.bom.gov.au/products/IDR663.loop.shtml>
Marine Forecast:
<http://www.bom.gov.au/qld/forecasts/moreton-bay.shtml>
- Other Popular forecasts:
- Predict Wind: <https://forecast.predictwind.com/table/>
Seabreeze: <https://www.seabreeze.com.au/weather/wind-forecast/brisbane>
WillyWeather: <https://wind.willyweather.com.au/qld/brisbane/brisbane.html>

NoR Attachment A



NoR Attachment B

Best Result at a National Regatta

~ Vidgen Perpetual Trophy ~

Longest Serving Member of a Season Points Winner

~ The Governor's Trophy ~

Most Consistent Contributor

~ Maurice Tilley Perpetual Trophy ~

Corinthian Yachtsman of the Year

~ Model Elliott ~

Best Performing Female Crew

~ Erica Blumson Trophy ~

Keelboat Crew of the Year

~ E Sparkes Trophy ~

Sailor of the Year

~ Hardy Brothers Jewellers Trophy ~

NoR Attachment C

SAFETY FIRST

As part of a national incentive by Australian Sailing, RQYS has adopted 'Whole of Fleet' Safety Audits appropriate to your race category.

So why extend equipment audits to all of our fleet?

The simple answer is compliance and good safety practice within the club. We have a Duty of Care to those participating in RQYS events and this extends beyond RQYS responsibility to boat owners and skippers.

Nationally, self-audits have not, in the majority of cases, been completed to a satisfactory standard and it is our intention to engender into our sailors a culture of safety which benefits us all.

Chris Morgan, a division yacht owner and Queensland's Senior Sailing Australia Equipment Safety Auditor, has agreed to undertake the management of this program alongside the Sailing Office.

- All yacht owners and off the beach boats will be required to complete the appropriate Sailing Australia category form applicable to the club racing they intend to enter.
[AS SR Safety Equipment Checklists](#)
- Owners will then be required to contact an Australian Sailing approved auditor(s) to arrange an inspection and sign off.

This is a compliance required under RRS 75 "entering an event".

Below is a list of our current RQYS auditors. If you are interested in becoming an auditor please contact Chris Morgan.

RQYS AUDITORS for Division Yachts

Senior National Equipment Auditor		
Chris Morgan	0418 767 591	chrismorgan5@outlook.com
National Equipment Auditor (Cat 1 – 7)		
Genevieve Warlow	0438 159 089	gwarlow@gmail.com
Peter Kruger	0402 295 283	p.kruger1@uq.edu.au
Ian Davis	0419 799 958	hoodsailmakers@gmail.com
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Helen Warneke	0417 074 990	helen.warneke@cofcqld.com.au
Simon Turpin	0400 558 917	sailing.ops@svccg.com.au
Harley Cowlshaw	0437 729 642	hcowlish@bigpond.net.au
James Chilman	0420 335 552	jchilman5@gmail.com
Club Equipment Auditor (Cat 3 – 7)		
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