



21st INTERNATIONAL 2.4 METRE YACHT AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2017/18

Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, Hobart, Australia
10 - 12 March 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania (RYCT) as Organising Authority invites entries to the 21st International 2.4 Metre Yacht Australian Championship 2017/18 to be sailed on the waters of the Derwent River from the 10th to the 12th of March 2018.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The championship will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The Australian Sailing (AS) *Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2 "Off the Beach Boats"* will apply.
- 1.3 Racing rules 35, 61.3, 62.2, 66, A4 & A5 will be changed as follows. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
 - (a) Rule 35 – "*Time Limit and Scores*" will be altered so that boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored DNF without a hearing.
 - (b) Rules 61.3 and 62.2 – "*Protest Time Limit*" and "*Redress*" will be altered so that the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee or protest committee and to requests for redress.
 - (c) Rule 66 – "*Reopening a Hearing*" will be altered so that on the last day of the championship a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.
 - (d) Rules A4 & A5 will be altered so that a boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing; and boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The championship is open to all International 2.4 Metre Yachts.
- 2.2 Competitors must be financial members of AS and the International 2.4 Metre Yacht Association of Australia (ICAA).
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line entry on the RYCT online entry and payment system by 1 March 2018.
- 2.4 Late entries will be accepted until 10th March 2018 with an additional fee that is 50% of the entry fee.

3. FEES

- 3.1 The championship entry fee is \$85.

4. SCHEDULE

4.1 Registration:

Saturday 10 March 2018 1030hrs to 1130hrs

4.2 Competitors' meeting:

Saturday 10 March 2018 1130hrs

4.3 Dates and time of racing:

Saturday 10 March 2018	1300hrs	First warning signal
Sunday 11 March 2018	1300hrs	First warning signal
Monday 12 March 2018	1100hrs	First warning signal

4.4 Number of races:

Eight races are scheduled with up to four races per day. When two or more races are conducted in a day, they will be sailed back to back, with a short delay between them.

- 4.5 On the last day of the championship no warning signal will be made after 1400hrs.

5. MEASUREMENTS

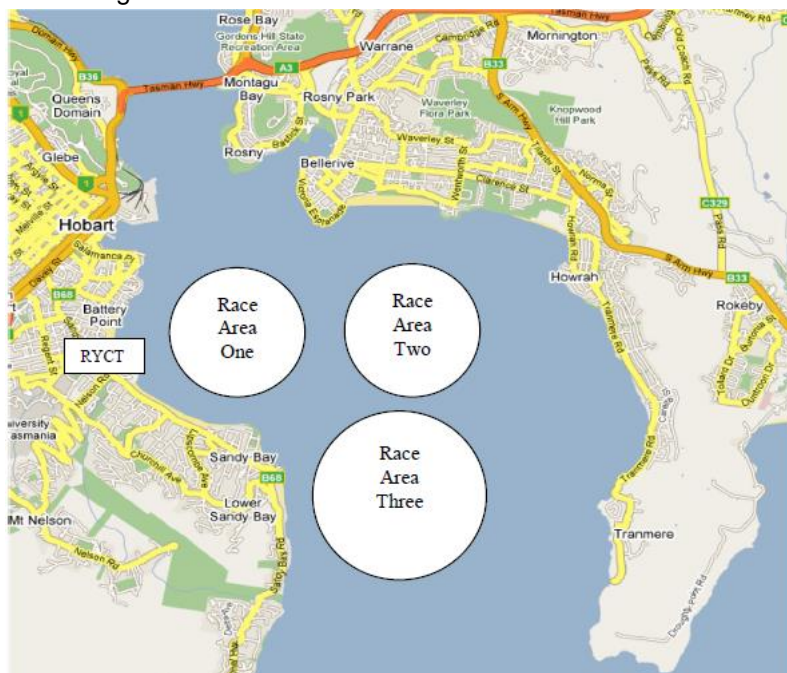
- 5.1 Each boat may be required to produce a valid measurement certificate at registration.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration on 10 March 2018 after 1030hrs.

7. VENUE

7.1 The racing area will be the Derwent River east of the RYCT.



8. THE COURSES

8.1 The course will be Windward-Leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions. Racing will be of approximately 40 minutes duration. Failure to meet target times will not be subject to a request for redress.

9. SCORING

9.1 Eight races are scheduled, of which four races shall be completed to constitute a series.

- 9.2 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When from five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10. SUPPORT BOATS

10.1 Support boats shall be marked with the insignia of the RYCT.

11. BERTHING

11.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the RYCT marina.

12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

12.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the championship except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

13.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14. PRIZES

14.1 Perpetual trophies and prizes will be awarded in the following categories.

Open Championship Perpetual trophy and prize - 1st skipper (National Champion).

Prizes - 2nd & 3rd skippers.

Pointscore Prizes - 1st, 2nd & 3rd skippers (1, 2 and 3 overall cannot win these prizes)

14.2 Other trophies and prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

15. DISCLAIMER

15.1 Competitors participate in the championship entirely at their own risk. See rule 4. Decision to Race. The organising 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 championship.

16. INSURANCE

16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

17.1 For further information please contact:

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