



# 21<sup>st</sup> INTERNATIONAL 2.4 METRE YACHT AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2017/18

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

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices will be posted on the official notice board located in the southern end of the RYCT Clubhouse.

### 3 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it is to take effect.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the signal mast located at the southern end of the RYCT Clubhouse.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes Race Signal AP.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 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

5.2 Eight races are scheduled with up to three races per day.

5.3 When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race. To alert boats that a race will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed, with one sound, for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

5.4 On the last day of the championship no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs.

### 6 CLASS FLAG

6.1 Class flag will be the International 2.4 Metre Yacht Class flag.

### 7 RACING AREA

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

### 8 THE COURSE

8.1 The diagram in Attachment A shows the courses, the course designations and the order in which marks are to be passed.

### 9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1 and 2 will be orange/white inflatable buoys.

9.2 The starting and finishing mark will be a black & white chequered inflatable buoy.

9.3 The change of course mark will be a yellow inflatable buoy.

### 10 THE START

10.1 The starting line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.

10.2 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4 and A5.

### 11 CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

### 12 THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the finishing mark.

### **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

13.1 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form on the official notice board within the protest time limit.

### **14 TIME LIMIT**

14.1 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rule 35, A4 & A5.

### **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

15.1 Protest forms are available at the RYCT Race Office. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

15.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee or protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the RYCT Protest Room.

### **16 SCORING**

16.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series for the International 2.4 Metre Yacht Class.

16.2 (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.

### **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

### **18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

18.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules.

### **19 OFFICIAL BOATS**

19.1 Official boats will be marked RYCT.

### **20 SUPPORT BOATS**

20.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 100 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, unless their assistance is requested by the Race Committee. Support boats will monitor VHF Ch10.

### **21 TRASH DISPOSAL**

21.1 Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

### **22 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

22.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication not available to all boats.

### **23 PRIZES**

23.1 Perpetual trophies and prizes will be awarded as per the Notice of Race.

### **24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

24.1 Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

### **25 INSURANCE**

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



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## ATTACHMENT A COURSE DIAGRAM

### Windward – Leeward

L2 (Numeral Pennant 2): Start-1-2-1-Finish

L3 (Numeral Pennant 3): Start-1-2-1-2-1-Finish

