

2023 Interdominion Schools Teams Racing Championships

NOTICE OF RACE

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Host Club Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron

Organising Authority

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1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, including Appendix D Team Racing Rules, Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 All races shall be umpired as per RRS Appendix D2
- 1.3 Where there is conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- 1.4 The Pacer class rules do not apply.
- 1.5 Buoyancy vests must be supplied and worn by competitors and supporters at all times while afloat.
- 1.6 In accordance with RRS 70.5 and Addendum A, Australian Sailing has approved the denial of the right of appeal for these Championships.

2 Advertising

2.1 Advertising shall be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

3 Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The regatta is an invitation event. Teams requiring an invitation, which will include the online entry link, should apply to ATSA no later than 4 August 2023. Earlier notifications of intent to enter will be appreciated. Following registration please send a team photo, to <u>david@vodamgt.com</u>, for inclusion in the regatta e-booklet by 11 August, 2023.
- 3.2 The regatta will include a maximum of 12 teams, consisting of 6 Open Teams and 6 Female Teams.
- 3.3 Invitations will be provided to the top three finishing open and all-girl teams from the respective Australian and New Zealand Championships Secondary School Teams Racing Championships.
- 3.4 If any of the top three open and all-girl teams from either country are unable to compete, their places will be offered to the next teams in the finishing order of their Championships.

- 3.5 Should a country nominate a composite team of students from more than one school it will be subject to approval from the other country at their absolute discretion.
- 3.6 All teams shall consist of bona fide students representing schools from their relevant country and shall not have attained their 19th birthday before the end of the year in which the event is held.
- 3.7 Teams will consist of a maximum of eight (8) sailors who must be listed on the official entry form.
- 3.8 All competitors shall be members of a club affiliated with their National Sailing Authority.
- 3.9 Any combination of six (6) registered team members may compete in any race, with the combined whole team weight on water at any time being a minimum of 300kgs.
- 3.10 Only single school teams will be eligible for the first overall prize in either series.
- 3.11 All competing teams will have their results contribute to the scoring of the Interdominion Trophy.
- 3.12 Eligible teams will enter by completing the online entry and paying the relevant entry fee by 4 August 2023. Online entry link is <u>https://www.trybooking.com/CJZAO</u>
- 3.13 Late Entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority with an AUD\$300 late entry fee.

4 Fees

- 4.1 All teams entering the regatta will prior to 4 August 2023, be required to pay:
 - an AUD \$2,250 entry fee, and
 - the refundable damage deposit of AUD\$500.
- 4.2 The entry fee will cover tickets for the welcome and prize-giving functions for ten people only representing each team.
- 4.3 Additional tickets for social events may be available for purchase on request subject to availability and capacity unless the event is sold out.

New Zealand teams

- 4.4 New Zealand teams shall enter the regatta prior to 4 August 2023 by:
 - Completing the on-line registration form at <u>https://www.trybooking.com/CJZAO</u> and completing the relevant New Zealand Team Registration.
 - Paying the required entry fee and refundable damage deposit directly to NZTSA.
- 4.5 NZTSA will be responsible for transferring all NZ Team entry fees and damage deposits to ATSA by the 8 September 2023.

Australian Teams

- 4.6 Australian teams shall enter the regatta prior to 4 August 2023 by:
 - Completing the on-line registration form at <u>https://www.trybooking.com/CJZAO</u> and completing the relevant Australian Team Registration.
 - Paying the required entry fee and refundable damage deposit, and the ATSA Umpires Travel Levy

- 4.7 In the event of a team causing major damage to a boat or boats that requires use of their damage deposit, they may be required to pay an additional amount to cover the cost of the damage, if they wish to continue competing in the event.
- 4.8 Damage that occurs whereby the responsible team cannot be identified will result in the cost of the damage being allocated equally across all teams entered.

5 Racing Format

- 5.1 There shall be a round robin series for all open teams and a separate round robin series for the all-girl teams.
- 5.2 Racing shall consist of as many round robin rounds as possible in the time allowed in the schedule.
- 5.3 A minimum of one round robin will be necessary to gain a result in each series.

6 Schedule

6.1 Sunday 24 September

1400 - 1630	Regatta Registration
1500 - 1630	Pre-arranged Practice Sessions for NZ teams only

6.2 Monday 25 September, Race Day 1

Registration
Regatta Briefing
Warning signal for first race
Umpire Debrief
Welcome gathering at Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron

6.3 Tuesday 26 September, Race Day 2

0900	Warning signal for first race
Following racing	Umpire Debrief

On Day 2 it is the intention of NZTSA, ATSA and the Organising Authority to sail a teams racing event between teams representing the Coaches and Managers of each participating country. The event is planned to be sailed after 4pm on day 2 of the regatta. The timing and scheduling of the event will be subject to prevailing conditions and the goal to optimise sailing of the Interdominion Championship. The running of the event will be at the absolute discretion of the Organising Authority.

6.4 Wednesday 27 September, Race Day 3

0900	Warning signal for first race
1630	Last Warning Signal
Following racing	Umpire Debrief
1900	Dinner and presentation at Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron

6.5 The process for booking practice sessions prior to the regatta is yet to be finalised. Teams entering the regatta will be informed of booking processes for practice sessions prior to the finalisation of registrations on the 4 August, 2023.

7 Boats and Equipment

- 7.1 Pacer type dinghies will be supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 7.2 Protest flags and breakdown flags will be supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 7.3 Boats and equipment may only be changed in accordance with Rules for Boat Handling [SI Attachment A].
- 7.4 All teams need to supply their own bailers.

8 Sailing Instructions

8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available no later than Friday 22 September 2023

9 Venue and Racing Area

- 9.1 Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS) is located at 33 Peel Street, Kirribilli, NSW, 2061.
- 9.2 Racing will take place on Sydney Harbour in the vicinity of the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron.

10 The Course

10.1 The course to be sailed will be a starboard hand "S" course, consisting of a windward leg, a leeward leg and a windward finish leg. There will be short reaching legs between each of the windward/leeward legs.



11 Scoring

- 11.1 Scoring system is as follows and will be in accordance with RRS Appendix D3 and D4 with the exception as stated below.
- 11.2 The first round robin will be scored using half-points i.e. 1/2 point per win. Subsequent rounds will be scored using full points i.e. 1 point per win.

12 Support Boats

12.1 Team support boats will not be allowed.

13 Radio and Team Communications

- 13.1 Team managers, coaches, team members and supporters shall not communicate in any way with competitors from the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the Race Officer signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 13.2 A competitor shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

14 Prizes

- 14.1 The Inter-dominion Trophy will be awarded to the winning country scored on the aggregate scores of races won when the teams from NZ and Australia race against each other in completed round robins.
- 14.2 Trophies will be awarded to the top Open Team and the top Female Team scored on the aggregate scores of races won in completed rounds of their respective round robin series.

15 Disclaimer of Liability

- 15.1 All those taking part in these races do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to RRS 3 which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- 15.2 The OA, sponsors, class association, the race committee and other race officials are not responsible for any damage or injury either afloat or ashore.
- 15.3 All those taking part in these races are reminded of their obligations as set out in the AS Special Regulations clause 1.02 Responsibility of the Person in Charge.

16 Further Information

16.1 For further information, please contact:

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