



Sommers Yacht Club Sailing Season 2023-2024

Notice of Race (NoR)

1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for Off the Beach Boats, available at <https://www.sailingresources.org.au/safety/specialregs/> applies.

1.3 RRS 41 is changed to insert 41(e)

41(e) assistance to right a capsized boat, and to help skipper & crew back into the boat. A boat that gains significant advantage in the race from help under rule 41(e) may be protested and penalized; any penalty maybe less than disqualification. A boat that is not assisted will not be entitled to redress under rule 41(e).

RRS 44.1 is changed as follows:

Two-Turns penalty is replaced by one-turn penalty for Multihulls.

RRS 26 is changed as follows

The warning signal made 3 minutes before the starting signal, the preparatory signal two minutes before the starting signal.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available in a folder next to the notice board and on the SsYC Web site.

3 COMMUNICATION

3.1 While racing, 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 are open to all classes of off the beach boats that have a current AS Yardstick and others approved by the SsYC Sailing Committee.

4.2 A boat that is designed to be sailed with spinnaker can apply to the Sailing Committee for permission to enter without a spinnaker. If approved it will be assigned a yardstick 2.3 points greater than the AS yardstick of the boat with spinnaker.

4.3 Entries can be

- a) A boat registered with SsYC or
- b) A visiting boat registered with another yacht club affiliated with AS.

- 4.4 The person in charge and any crew must be a current member of a club affiliated with AS.
- 4.5 A person who is not a member of a club affiliated with AS can become a Day Sail Pass member by completing the membership form <https://www.somersyachtclub.com.au/registration/temporary-member/> and pay the prescribed fee.
- 4.6 A visiting boat's entry must be accompanied by an entry fee. The entry fee is waived for visiting boats registered with a club affiliated with YW.
- 4.7 A non-sailing member of SsYC and Day Sail Pass members of a club affiliated with AS can only sail as crew and in no more than 3 races per sailing season.
- 4.8 Except for regattas, non-sailing members of SsYC, Visitors and Day Sail Pass members shall not qualify to receive trophies.
- 4.9 Except for Day Sail Pass members and visitors, entries may be made online at <https://sailingclubresults.com/selfentry> .
- 4.10 A separate entry is required for every race day.
- 4.11 Entries open 3 hours before and close 15 minutes before the advertised warning signal unless the program states an earlier time.
- 4.12 All boats entered must have completed a Safety and Equipment compliance declaration.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fees are as follows:
SsYC member fees are covered by membership fees
Day Sail Pass membership fee is \$10
Visitor entry fee is \$10.

6 ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Competitor advertising will be restricted as follows: ISAF Regulation 20 for Category C restrictions will apply.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 The Sailing Program shows the date and time of the warning signal for each race and in the case of multi-race sessions, the time of the first warning signal. Changes to the program will be according to the Sailing Instructions and will be posted on the Sailing Notice Board. The Westernport Challenge, Titles, and events at other clubs are also shown but are not covered by this Notice of Race.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The courses to be sailed will be Triangular courses as defined in the Sailing Instructions.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.

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SCORING

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The number of races required to be completed to constitute each series, and the number of races to be included in a boat's score is stated in the Sailing Instructions.

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Rule A5.3 applies.

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RISK STATEMENT

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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.

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INSURANCE

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Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 (preferred \$10,000,000) per incident or the equivalent.

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PRIZES

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Prizes for races marked (T) or (S) will be awarded shortly after the completion of the race. Prizes for other named series and events will be awarded on Presentation Night unless the program nominates an after series presentation.

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FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1

For further information please contact the Rear Commodore.

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SsYC – Somers Yacht Club

AS – Australian Sailing

RRS – Racing Rule of Sailing

YW – Yachting Westernport