

2016 Australian Women's Match Racing Championship

2 to 4 September 2016

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority:

Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania



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1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania (RYCT).

2. VENUE

- 2.1. The event will be held at the RYCT, Marieville Esplanade, Sandy Bay, Tasmania, 7005
- 2.2. Racing will be conducted on the River Derwent, Hobart, Tasmania.

3. EVENT GRADING

The event will be an ISAF Grade 3 event. This grading is subject to review by ISAF. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4. PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

- 4.1. The following table sets out the provisional schedule of events:

Friday 2 Sept	0830 – 0930 hrs	Registration and Weigh-in
	0930 hrs	Competitor Briefing
	1030 hrs	Racing – first warning signal
	30 mins after docking	Umpire debrief if required
Saturday 3 Sept	0930 hrs	Racing – first warning signal
	30 mins after docking	Umpire debrief if required
Sunday 4 Sept	0930 hrs	Racing – first warning signal
	1 hour after docking	Prize Presentation

There will be no warning signal made after 1500hrs on Sunday 4 September 2016.

Unless excused by the OA, attendance by skippers and crew at the following is mandatory

- Registration
- Weigh-in
- Welcome function

5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1. The Australian Women's Match Racing Championship is a women's event and all skippers and crew shall be female.
- 5.2. The OA will invite a maximum of eight (8) teams to enter the Australian Women's Match Racing Championship.
- 5.3. A competitor wishing to be invited should register their intention on the attached Application for Invitation by Friday 29 July 2016.
- 5.4. International competitors are eligible to compete, however they will not be eligible for the Australian Championship title or perpetual trophies.
- 5.5. Invitations to participate in the event will then be issued based on the number received and skipper's World Sailing Match Race ranking.
- 5.6. Teams will be advised of the status of their invitation for entry through an email to applicants by 5 August 2016.
- 5.7. If selected, to remain eligible for entry, a team shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing (fax or email is acceptable) and pay the entry fee to the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania by Friday 19 August 2016.
- 5.8. All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirement of RRS 46 and 56 and show proof of membership at registration.

- 5.9 If an invited skipper is unable to begin the regatta, the OA may, at its sole discretion, permit the substitution of an alternative skipper or make any other substitution or adjustment it deems appropriate.
- 5.10 The registered skipper shall helm the yacht at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 5.11 All sailors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/

6. ENTRIES

- 6.1. Entry fee: The non-refundable entry fee is AUD550 per team. Entries will not be accepted until full payment is received by Friday 19 August 2016.
- 6.2. Damage deposit: An initial damage deposit of AUD1000 will be required to be paid on confirmation of entry. This deposit is the maximum payable by the team as the result of any one incident. In the event of the damage deposit being drawn down during the regatta the Organising Authority may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the team will be permitted to continue in the event. Damage deposits can be covered by lodgement with the OA or valid credit card details.
- 6.3. The team shall be entered only on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and damage deposits.

7. RULES

The following rules shall govern this event:

- 7.1. The *rules as defined by the* Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 - 2016 of the International Sailing Federation except that Class Rules shall not apply.
- 7.2. All competitors are required to wear an approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD) which complies with YA SR Part 2, R 5.01 whilst afloat (this amends RRS 40).
- 7.3. The rules for changes to the boat's settings and equipment and hiking will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 7.4. Under RRS 86.3, this event will use the World Sailing test package of test rules proposed for match racing. See detailed wording for these rule changes in NoR Addendum A.

8. BOATS AND SAILS

- 8.1. The regatta will be conducted in Elliott 6's supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 8.2. One Mainsail, Jib and Spinnaker will be provided with each boat.
- 8.3. Six (6) boats will be supplied.
- 8.4. Boats will be allocated by random draw or as decided by the Race Committee.

9. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 9.1. The number of crew (including skipper) may be three (3) or four (4).
- 9.2. The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing, shall be 272kg, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- 9.3. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 9.4. When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the Organising Authority may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- 9.5. When a registered crew is unable to continue in the event the Organising Authority may authorise a substitute, temporary substitute or other adjustment that will allow the total crew weight to remain within the limits as per above.

10. EVENT FORMAT

- 10.1. The regatta will consist of round robin series and finals.
- 10.2. The Organising Authority may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, or add finals, when the conditions do not permit completion of the intended format.

11. COURSE

- 11.1. The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- 11.2. The intended course area is the River Derwent between Battery Point and John Garrow Light.

12. ADVERTISING

- 12.1. As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority, ISAF Regulation 20 applies (see RRS 80). Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 12.2. Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for infringements of any rules regarding advertising (this amends RRS 60.1).

13. PRIZES

A trophy will be presented for first place and medallions for each of first, second and third places. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

14. MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

The conditions of entry include that competitors acknowledge that the Organising Authority owns all media rights to the right to publish and broadcast, for any purpose and in any media event and may exercise those rights as it sees fit and that the Organising Authority owns the unconditional perpetual photographs and video and audio recordings taken of boats and competitors during the event.

15. SUPPORT BOATS

- 15.1. Support boats must register with the Organising Authority and shall conspicuously display the identification of the team being supported.
- 15.2. The Organising Authority will provide berths for visiting support boats under 7m in length. A written request shall be made to the Organising Authority at least 7 days prior to the commencement of the regatta.
- 15.3. Unless directed by the Race Management Team and/or Umpires, or to render immediate assistance in the interests of safety, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall not enter the Course Area where boats are racing, as defined in the Sailing Instructions and shall stay more than 50 metres clear of any mark of the course from the time of the preparatory signal for the first flight to start until all boats have finished the race or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 15.4. Only coaches, who hold, as a minimum, current NCAS Level 1 Sailing Coach Accreditation or an equivalent International qualification and have signed the required Coaches Code of Conduct, are authorised to go afloat in a coach boat within the defined course area.
- 15.5. Any interference by a coach or coach boat with the racing or event organisation may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the event umpires to the appropriate skipper or team.

16. DISCLAIMER

- 16.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see RRS 4, Decision to Race).
- 16.2. The Organising Authority and all others involved in the management and conduct of the event shall not be liable for material damage or personal injury or death as a result of participation or intended participation in the event.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

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Addendum A

NoR ADDENDUM A – PACKAGE OF TEST MATCH RACING RULES version 2

Below are the details of the changes to the RRS:

A. Add new RRS 7 to Part 1:

7 LAST POINT OF CERTAINTY

The umpires will assume that the state of a boat, or her relationship to another boat, has not changed, until they are certain that it has changed.

B. Delete RRS 18, C2.6 and C2.7 and replace with:

18 MARK ROOM

18.1 When Rule 18 Applies

Rule 18 applies between boats when they are required to leave a *mark* on the same side and at least one of them is in the *zone*. However, it does not apply between a boat approaching a mark and one leaving it.

18.2 Giving Mark - Room

(a) When the first boat reaches the *zone*,

(1) if boats are *overlapped*, the outside boat at that moment shall thereafter give the inside boat *mark-room*.

(2) if boats are not *overlapped*, the boat that has not reached the *zone* shall thereafter give *mark-room*.

(b) If the boat entitled to *mark-room* leaves the *zone*, the entitlement to mark-room ceases and rule 18.2(a) is applied again if required based on the relationship of the boats considered at the time rule 18.2(a) is re-applied.

(c) If a boat obtained an inside *overlap* and, from the time the *overlap* began, the outside boat is unable to give *mark-room*, she is not required to give it.

18.3 Tacking or Gybing

When an inside *overlapped* right-of-way boat must change *tack* at a *mark* to sail her *proper course*, until she changes *tack* she shall sail no farther from the *mark* than needed to sail that course. Rule 18.3 does not apply at a gate *mark* or a finishing *mark* and a boat shall not be penalized for breaking this rule unless the course of another boat was affected by the breach of this rule.

C. Change definition of Mark-Room to:

Mark - Room Room for a boat to sail her *proper course* to round or pass the *mark* on the required side. If *room* includes a change of *tack*, such tack or gybe shall be done no quicker than a tack or gybe to sail her *proper course*.

D. Add the following new rule:

C2.14 Rule 17 is deleted.

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APPLICATION FOR INVITATION

This form must be submitted to the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania by 1600hrs on Friday 29 July 2016 – Marieville Esplanade, Sandy Bay, 7005 - Fax: (02) 6223 1308, Email: sailing@ryct.org.au

Name of Club: _____

Team Name: _____

Team Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Skipper's details:

Name: _____ DOB: _____

World Sailing Sailor ID : _____ AS No: _____

World Sailing Match Race Ranking: _____

Crew details:

Name: _____ DOB: _____ AS No: _____

Name: _____ DOB: _____ AS No: _____

Name: _____ DOB: _____ AS No: _____

DECLARATION: By my signature I agree that my team is bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern this event and also, with confirmation of entry, accept to pay an Entry Fee of AUD550 and separate Damage Deposit of AUD1000. I acknowledge and understand that the Organising Authority, its members, officers, servants or agents and all others involved in the organisation and conduct of this event shall not be liable for any loss of life or injury or for the loss of property, or damage thereto, whatsoever or howsoever occurring. I also, by my signature, give permission for my likeness to be used for public viewing.

Skipper's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian (if skipper is under 18 years old):

Name: _____

Contact No: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

Payment Advice: Please forward your payment to: Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, Marieville Esplanade, Sandy Bay, TAS 7005
Email: sailing@ryct.org.au Fax: (03) 6223 1308

Entry Fee: AUD550

Payment by:

- Direct transfer to RYCT: BSB 017 324 A/C No. 2815 23413
*Please quote your **TeamName** as the reference*
- Cheque payable to RYCT (enclosed)
- Credit card: VISA / MASTERCARD | AMEX (please circle your selected card)

Name on Card:
Please Print

Card Number:

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Expiry: / Signature: