



**45th 125 Australian Championships
Hosted by Black Rock Yacht Club
28 December 2023 to 4 January 2024
Black Rock Yacht Club, Victoria**

Notice of Race (NoR)

The Organising Authority invites entries to the 125 2023-24 Australian Championships (the Championships). The Championships will be conducted by Black Rock Yacht Club Inc' (BRYC) on behalf of the Victorian 125 Sailing Association. The Organising Authority is BRYC, Half Moon Bay, Black Rock, Victoria, 3193.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

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

1.2 The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for off the beach boats and

- 1.3 small open ballasted boats shall apply.
- 1.4 The class rules of the National 125 Association shall apply.
- 1.5 Appendix T – Arbitration shall apply.
- 1.6 A minimum of three Jib and Main Division entries must be received by the entry closing date for this Division to be included in the event and prizes awarded. If insufficient Jib and Main Division entries are received competitors will be entered in the Open Division.
- 1.6 Spinnakers are not permitted to be used in the Jib and Main Division.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 12.00pm on Monday 11 December 2023.
- 2.2 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the Sailor App.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located on the Sailor App.
- 3.2 We will be using the Sailor App (it is free), to provide results and communication, search for it in the App store on your phone.

More information available here, <https://www.clubops.com.au/>

Select the Regatta button at the bottom of the page once you have downloaded the App, and select 2023/2024 125 Australian Championships, information will be added over time.
- 3.3 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of each session, 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 The event is open to all boats of the 125 class.
- 4.2 Divisions are defined as follows:

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| Open | Nominated skipper and crew. Spinnakers allowed |
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| Jib and Main (JAM) | Nominated skipper and up to three nominated crew. Spinnakers not allowed. Sail one lap less than the Open Division. |
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4.3 Boats may enter the event by registering online at <https://www.trybooking.com/CJFLZ>

4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

Registration requirements include:

- Presentation of valid measurement certificate.
- Measurement items to be checked during registration:
 - Black band check on all spars
 - Boat weight
 - Nominated main sail, jib and spinnaker.
 - Rudder depth

It is recommended that competitors contact their state measurer in the lead up to the championships for any measurement queries.

N.B. Boats may be subject to spot measurement checks at any time.

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees including welcome and presentation dinners are as follows:

- Early Entry Fee (entry and fee received on or before Friday 1 December 2023) is \$350. This also includes a shirt for each competitor.
- Standard Entry Fee is \$350. This does not include shirts for competitors. Entries close on Friday 29 December at 12.00.

5.2 Other fees:

- BRYC will be hosting a New Year's Eve party. This is not included in the entry fee. Further information about this will be available in October.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

6.1 In order for a competitor to be classified as a Junior, both skipper and crew must be under 18 as at 1 December 2023.

In order for a competitor to be classified as a Master, the skipper must be 50 or older as at 1 December 2023.

7 ADVERTISING

- 7.1** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 7.2** Boats shall not carry advertising on sails/hulls (apart from the sailmakers/boatbuilders brand limited to reasonable dimensions and location) that is not provided by the organizing authority.
- 7.3** The organizing authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

8 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8.1 Registration and Measurement:

Thursday 28 December 2023 9:00 to 16:00

Friday 29 December 2023 9:00 to 12:00

8.2 Racing:

Friday 29 December 2023 Invitation races - afternoon

Saturday 30 December 2023 Championship racing morning and afternoon

Sunday 31 December 2023 Championship racing morning and afternoon

Monday 1 January 2024 Resail/Lay day

Tuesday 2 January 2024 Championship racing morning and afternoon

Wednesday 3 January 2024 Championship racing morning and afternoon

Thursday 4 January 2024 Championship racing morning

The objective is to run 10 Championship races.

8.3 Warning signals:

For morning races, first warning signal will be at 10:55.

For afternoon races, first warning signal will be at 13:55. When morning racing has occurred, afternoon races may be postponed to allow competitors time for lunch, toilets etc.

- 8.4** On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 13:00.

9 VENUE

9.1 NoR Addendum A shows the plan of the launching area.

NoR Addendum B shows the location of the racing area.

10 COURSES

10.1 Will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 The intention is to appoint a national jury as provided in RRS 70.5.

12 SCORING

12.1 Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of their race scores.

When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of their race scores excluding their two worst scores.

16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

16.1 [DP] Support person vessels shall be registered with the Race Committee.

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

17.1 A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

22 RISK STATEMENT

22.1 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.

23 INSURANCE

23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5 million per incident or the equivalent.

24 PRIZES

24.1 Prizes will be given as follows:.

- Open Division – 1st to 6th
- Handicap* - 1st to 3rd
- Jib and Main Division – 1st
- Junior – 1st
- Masters– 1st
- Ladies – 1st
- Wooden boat – 1st

* The first six boats in the open division are not eligible for handicap prizes.

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

25.1 For further information please contact

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Addendum A – Launching Area



Addendum B – Racing Area

