AUSTRALIAN YOUTH MATCH RACING CHAMPIONSHIP

MONDAY 3RD JULY 2023 TO FRIDAY 7TH JULY 2023



NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Perth Yacht Club (RPYC). The event will be held at RPYC with racing conducted on the waters of Matilda Bay, Swan River.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C
- 1.2. The rules for handling of boats will apply and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class Rules will not apply.
- 1.3. Any prescriptions of the National Authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.
- 1.4. The following is added to RRS41:
 - (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery
- 1.5. Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times whilst afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or equipment. A breach of this rule is not open to protest by boats but is subject to actions by the umpires in accordance with RRS C8.2. This changes RRS C6.2 and 8.2.
- 1.6. This event is a World Sailing (WS) Grade xx. The grading is subject to review by WS. The event may not protest another boat for breaking that rule.

2. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be made available on the event website two weeks before the commencement of the event.

https://www.rpyc.com.au/on-the-water/2023aymrc/

3. Communication

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the event website and on the official noticeboard inside the Boating Operations Office at Royal Perth Yacht Club. https://www.rpyc.com.au/on-the-water/2023aymrc/
- 3.2. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast on the Ceremonial Deck on the northern side of the Royal Perth Yacht Clubhouse

4. Skippers Eligibility

- 4.1. The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times whilst racing, except in an emergency.
- 4.2. A non-refundable entry fee of AU\$1,000 shall accompany the registration for the registration to be considered final.
- 4.3. All competitors shall be a member of a Club affiliated with Australian Sailing and hold a current Australian Sailing Number.
- 4.4. All competitors shall be over the age of 13 and must not have reached their 23rd birthday on or before 31 December 2023. Evidence of age shall be submitted to the RPYC no later than close of registration.
- 4.5. The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 4.6. All skippers entering shall obtain a WS ID by registering online at https://www.sailing.org/sailors/world-sailing-profile/

5. Entries

5.1. Ten Skippers will be invited.

Skippers wishing to receive an invite may register their request with the OA by completing the Expression of Interest Online Form.

https://www.revolutionise.com.au/rpyc/events/190835/

5.2. Entering

The Skipper shall be entered upon completion of registration, crew weighing, the payment of all fees and finalisation of the damage deposit process.

5.3. Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee of AU\$1,000 (inc GST) shall be paid by 1700hrs, on Friday 23rd June 2023. (Fees are non-refundable, except if/when the event is cancelled by the OA).

5.4. When a skipper enters and then later withdraws within 3 weeks of the eventer leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their ranking points for that event by World Sailing (World Sailing Regulation 27.2).

6. Damage/Damage Deposit

- 6.1. Each supplied boat is insured by the OA for third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$2000 per incident
- 6.2. Each supplied boat shall supply to registration, the details of a Credit Card to the value of \$2,000 belonging to a member of the team, or if this is not possible, a Credit Card from the team they are representing.
- 6.3. When damage occurs during a race the OA Maintenance team will take note of the damage, decision of the Umpire and the skipper sailing the boat at the time. If unable to assess damage at the time a further inspection will be carried out once the boats have finished racing for the day.
- 6.4. Monetary deductions from the Damage Deposit will be assessed separately after closer inspection by the OA 'boat person', and all damage costs are deducted from damage deposits irrespective of any penalty (or none) during the Regatta.

7. Crew (including Skipper)

- 7.1. The number of crew (including the Skipper) shall be four (4) or five (5). All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 7.2. The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts shall not exceed 350kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the Race Committee.
- 7.3. When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorise an original crew to substitute.
- 7.4. When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

8. Event Format

- 8.1. Skippers will be seeded into a round robin schedule.
- 8.2. The event will consist of the following stages:

Stage 1 – A double round robin

Stage 2 – Sail-off matches for minor placings

Stage 3 – Semi Finals

Stage 4 – Finals

8.3. The OA may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under thew existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.

9. Boats and Sails

- 9.1. The event will be sailed in the RPYC fleet of Elliott 7 yachts.
- 9.2. Up to six (6) boats may be provided.
- 9.3. The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, and Spinnaker (Asymmetrical Spinnaker)
- 9.4. Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

10. Course

- 10.1. The course will be windward leeward with starboard rounding's, finishing downwind. A leeward gate many be used.
- 10.2. The intended course area will be Matilda Bay, Swan River, Western Australia

11. Provisional Program

11.1. Schedule:

Monday 3/07/2023	Regatta Office Open	0900hrs
	Registration from	0900hrs – 1600hrs
	Crew Weigh-in	0900hrs – 1600hrs
	Practice session One	1000hrs – 1230hrs
	Practice Session Two	1300hrs – 1530hrs
	Regatta Briefing and Welcome Function	1730hrs – 1900hrs
Tuesday 4/07/2023	Regatta Office Open	0830hrs
Wednesday 5/07/2023	Daily Briefing	0900hrs
Thursday 6/07/2023	First Warning signal	1030hrs
	Latest Warning Signal	1600hrs
	Competitors Umpire Debrief	As soon as practical
		following racing
Friday 7/07/2023	Daily Briefing and Finals Boat Draw	0900hrs
	First Warning Signal	1030hrs
	Latest Warning Signal	1600hrs
	Final Presentations and Closing Function	1700hrs or as soon as
		practical
		following racing

- 11.2. Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:
 - 11.2.1. Regatta Briefings
 - 11.2.2. Daily Briefings
 - 11.2.3. Final Presentations

12. Advertising

- 12.1. As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority, World Sailing regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- 12.2. Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1)

12.3. The OA reserves the absolute right to require any competitor to display any advertising or images on competitors clothing, equipment (while racing or attending official functions), on boats or anywhere within the regatta venue.

13. Support Person

- 13.1. Support person vessels shall display the official support flag issued by the OA and/or be identifiable through branding on the boat.
- 13.2. The OA will provide berths for coach boats. Request for berthing must be made to the OA at least 5 days prior to registration via boatingadmin@rpyc.com.au
- 13.3. All support person must sign in at registration before the commencement of the event.
- 13.4. Any interference by a support vessel with the racing or event organisation may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the event umpires to the associated skipper or team.

14. Media, Images and Sound

- 14.1. The conditions of entry include that competitors acknowledge that the OA owns all media rights to the event and may exercise those rights as it sees fit and that the OA has the unconditional and perpetual rights to publish and broadcast, for any purpose and in any media, photographs and video and audio recordings taken of boats and competitors during the event.
- 14.2. Competitors shall not tamper or remove any recording devices which are located on boats.
- 14.3. Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for infringements of any rules regarding media, images & sound (amends RRS 60.1).

15. Prizes

15.1. The prizes will be given as follows First, Second and Third will receive winners' medallions.

16. Disclaimer

- 16.1. All those taking part in this event do so at their own risk and responsibility.

 Royal Perth Yacht Club, their officials, volunteers and any other associated sponsor or guest disclaims any and every responsibility for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and things both ashore and at sea, as a consequence of participation in any way in this event.
- 16.2. Attention is drawn to RRS Part 1, Fundamental Rules, in particular, RRS 3 which states that, "The responsibility for a boats decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Further Information

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