



ROYAL PERTH YACHT CLUB

**WAFODA**

2024 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



**RPYC FREMANTLE**

SATURDAY  
9TH MARCH

SUNDAY  
10TH MARCH

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**2024 WAIODA Optimist State Championships**  
**Organising Authority: Royal Perth Yacht Club**  
**In conjunction with**  
**Western Australian International Optimist Dinghy Association**  
**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024**  
**Fremantle Annexe, 51 Mews Road, Fremantle, Western Australia**

## Notice of Race (NoR)

### DEFINITIONS

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by boat.

[DP] denotes a rule of which the penalty is at discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing.

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 [DP] Australian Sailing Special Regulation Part 2 Off the Beach Boats, will apply. It is the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that life jackets comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in the regulations.
- 1.3 In the event of a conflict between this Notice of Race and the sailing instructions the sailing instructions shall prevail. (This changes RRS 63.7)
- 1.4 Arbitration will be conducted in accordance with Appendix T.
- 1.5 [DP] Optimist class rules will apply.

### 2. [DP][NP] ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority, details of which will be included in the Sailing Instructions. World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code shall apply.
- 2.2 [DP] If this rule is broken World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 *The regatta is open to the following classes:*

Optimist Green
Optimist Open
Optimist Intermediate
- 3.2 Competitors must be financial members of a yacht or sailing club affiliated with Australian Sailing and **hold a current Australian Sailing Number.**
- 3.3 All competitors shall be current financial member of WAIODA, for more information visit <https://www.waioda.org.au/membership>
- 3.4 Eligible boats are to enter online:  
Green Fleet: <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/rpyc/events/224038>  
Intermediate & Open Fleet: <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/rpyc/events/224037>  
Entries are to be lodged by 1700 on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024**, accompanied by the required fee. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 3.5 Competitors under 18 years of age, a parent/guardian shall sign a consent and declaration form at registration.
- 3.6 All competitors, parents and support persons will be required to read and sign the relevant code of conduct available on the website or at registration.

**FEES**

- 3.7 Optimist Green \$100 per boat  
 3.8 Optimist Intermediate & Open \$120 per boat  
 3.9 Please note a \$50 late fee will apply to register after the closing date.

**4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Date	Time	Event
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	1600 to 1830	Registration
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	0800	Volunteers' meeting
	0730 to 0830	Registration
	0830	Competitors' meeting, Coaches & Support boats meeting
Open & Intermediate	0945	First warning signal, subsequent races to follow
	1530	Time of latest possible attention signal
Green Fleet	0830	Meet with coaches
	TBC	Activities on water
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	0800	Volunteers' meeting
	0815	Competitors' meeting, Coaches & Support boats meeting
	0930	First warning signal, subsequent races to follow
Open & Intermediate	1530	Time of latest possible attention signal
	Green Fleet	1300
TBC		Activities on water
	1630	Presentation ceremony

- 4.1 The regatta will consist of a maximum of 10 races for the Intermediate and Open fleets  
 4.2 There shall be no more than 3 races sailed back to back in a session

**5. (DP)(NP) MEASUREMENT**

- 5.1 All competing boats/boards shall conform to the measurement requirements of their respective class rules.  
 5.2 Boats shall comply with RRS 78 and may be subject to an equipment inspection at any time during the event.

**6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 6.1 Sailing Instructions will only be available online prior to the event at:

**7. VENUE**

- 7.1 The regatta site will be the Royal Perth Yacht Club Fremantle Annexe; 51 Mews Road, Fremantle, Western Australia  
 7.2 The racing area will be on the waters adjacent to the Royal Perth Yacht Club Fremantle Annexe

**8. COURSES**

- 8.1 The course shall be a windward/leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions.

**9. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 9.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty

**SCORING**

- 9.2 The Low Point Scoring system, Appendix A4 shall apply.
- 9.3 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.4 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 9.5 When from five (5) to seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 9.6 When eight (8) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.

**10. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 10.1 All support boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority. They shall also comply with local legislation, marine regulations for safety equipment and event support boat regulations. The Organising Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion. Please click here to register a support/coach boat:
- 10.2 All Support Boats shall keep to leeward of the start line and its extensions between the preparatory signal and the completion of racing unless assisting a boat in distress or standing by a capsized boat as asked to assist by the Race Committee. Please refer to the Definition of a Support Person and Rule 4 in the RRS.
- 10.3 All support boats are required to carry a working VHF Radio to monitor the advised frequency.
- 10.4 Support boats are responsible for arranging berthing for their boats. Limited berthing is available at the RPYC annexe. Contact the Boating Office to arrange berthing at the Club via email – [boatingadmin@rpyc.com.au](mailto:boatingadmin@rpyc.com.au)

**11. BERTHING**

- 11.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places either in the dinghy park or afloat as described by the Organising Authority during registration and check-in.
- 11.2 Trailers shall not be left within the dinghy park during the regatta. All boat trailers may be stored in the areas designated by the Organising Authority. Any trailers left within the dinghy park may be moved / relocated at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

**12. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 12.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, GPS devices, smart watches and message receiving watches while afloat except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the Race Committee.

**13. RESULTS**

- 13.1 Results will be posted on the noticeboard which will be the exterior window of the Western side of the Club and may be posted online as soon as possible after each day's racing.

**14. PRIZES**

- 14.1 Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

**15. PRESENTATIONS**

- 15.1 Prizes will be presented at a function held at the Royal Perth Yacht Club Fremantle Annexe, commencing at approximately 1630 on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024. An invitation is extended to all competitors, friends, and family to attend.

**16. INSURANCE**

- 16.1 Vessels shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 per event or equivalent. It is also recommended that vessels shall be insured with comprehensive cover for racing.
- 16.2 The organising authority may request a copy of the Certificate of Currency

**17. PHOTOGRAPHY**

- 17.1 By participating in the 2024 WAIODA State Championships, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.
- 17.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.
- 17.3 Competitors may be required for media interviews or press conferences at the regatta.

**18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.
- 18.2 It is each competitor's decision to enter the Event or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Event is at their exclusive risk in every aspect. By way of entry in the Event competitors must indemnify the Organising Authority their Offices, members, staff, volunteers and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Event.
- 18.3 Competitors are responsible for the seaworthiness of the boat that they are sailing and for the sufficiency and adequacy of its equipment for the prevailing conditions.
- 18.4 The Organising Authority their offices, members, staff, volunteers and agents accept no responsibility in respect to loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage of property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Event howsoever arising in connection with the Event.
- 18.5 Competitor attention is drawn to RRS 3 – Decision to Race.

**19. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 19.1 Please note the entry fee does not include lunch. Lunches can be preordered for collection using form on the Website prior to registration and paid at registration.
- 19.2 All volunteers shall be registered with the Organising Authority and attend the Volunteer's briefing on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March and Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024.  
Please click here to register as a volunteer:  
<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/rpyc/events/224033/>
- 19.3 For further information, please contact:

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