



SOUTH OF PERTH YACHT CLUB
Organising Authority

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) 2018/19

South of Perth Yacht Club (Inc.) invites entries by eligible Keelboats and Off The Beach Boats to participate in its Summer and Winter sailing series, October 2018 to September 2019.

The notation [DP] in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1. Races will be governed by the rules as defined in:
 - a) *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
 - b) The Prescriptions of Australian Sailing (AS) including the Special Regulations.
 - c) The Class Rules of each fleet.
 - d) The SoPYC Performance Handicap Rules (PHS) where applicable.
 - e) The Australian Measurement System (AMS) where applicable.
 - f) The Sports Boat Measurement System (SMS) where applicable.
 - g) Appendix T – Arbitration shall apply.
- 1.2. Racing Rules will be changed as follows:

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for all Keelboat and OTB races.
- 1.3. **Sails**
 - a) For the Midweek Series and Twilight Series, boats may only carry normal working sails tacked in the normal position for working to windward. Boats shall not carry additional headsails, spinnakers or the like.
 - b) A sail may be attached to a bowsprit or poled out. This changes RRS 50.3
- 1.4. **Change of hull**

Change of hull and carry over of results to be permitted for Laser and Optimist classes where rental or try-before-you-buy arrangements have been entered in the first part of the series. Other OTB classes may seek permission for the same dispensation which will be considered by the OA on a case by case basis.
- 1.5. Supplementary or separate NoR's and SI's may be issued for individual events.
- 1.6. **Safety Categories**

Keelboats – Cat 7 unless advised in separate or supplementary NoR & SI's.
Offshore and Inshore races – will be racing under a category as defined in their separate NoR and SI's.
Off The Beach Boats – Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for Off The Beach Boats.

2. ADVERTISING

A boat which intends to carry advertising, as provided by RRS 80, shall notify the OA by lodging an Advertising Declaration available at:

<https://sopyc.com.au/on-water/keelboats/keelboat-race-documents/>

3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1 Fleets

If, by the first scheduled race of a series, there are less than 5 Keelboats or 4 Off The Beach boats entered for a fleet, then the OA may abandon the series or amalgamate the boats which have entered, into a 'mixed fleet'.

Events will be conducted for the following fleets:

Keelboats

- a) Saturday Summer Series: Division 1, Division 2, Division 3, H28 Class, SS22 Class, SS27 Class, S80 Class, Red Witch Class and Viper 640 Class.
On Club Championship race days, Sports Boats race as a sub fleet of Division 1 and Cole 32s race as a sub fleet of Division 2.
- b) Midweek Series: A Fleet, B Fleet, C Fleet & H28 Class.
- c) Twilight Series: A Fleet, B Fleet & C Fleet
- d) Sunday Frostbite Series: A Fleet, B Fleet & C Fleet

Off The Beach Boats

- a) Multiple Race Series: Optimist Class, Optimist Intermediate Fleet, Pelican Class, Laser Standard Class, Laser Radial Class, Laser 4.7 Class, National 125 Class, Flying Fifteen Class and Hobie Wave Class.
- b) Club Championship Series: Optimist Class, Optimist Intermediate Fleet, Pelican Class, Laser Standard Class, Laser Radial Class, Laser 4.7 Class, National 125 Class, Flying Fifteen Open and Silver fleets.

3.2 BOATS

To be eligible to race, a boat shall:

- a) Complete the online registration form, available at
Keelboats: <https://www.topyacht.com.au/db/kb/952>
OTB: <https://www.topyacht.com.au/entreg/enter.php?e=102.2.321>
- b) Be listed on the SoPYC Vessel Register.
- c) Submit a completed AS Special Regulations Equipment Audit Form.
- d) Hold a valid third-party liability insurance policy with a minimum cover of \$10 million per incident or the equivalent.
- e) Visiting boats (subject to NoR 5) be registered at a club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- f) A Boat shall sail in the fleet (see NoR 3.1) to which it is assigned by the OA.
- g) For scoring purposes, 'boat' means the combination of a hull to which a sail number is assigned and the helmsperson.

3.3 HELMSPERSON

In accordance with RRS 46 the Helmsperson shall be a current financial member of SoPYC at least equivalent to the following categories:

Keelboats

Ordinary membership

Helmspersons of approved visiting boats shall hold the equivalent membership at a club affiliated with AS.

In special circumstances, the OA may approve a Centreboard member, or for Junior Members who meet the competency criteria, to be the Helmsperson of a Keelboat.

A Keelboat may nominate more than one Helmsperson, provided that each is eligible and, for handicap purposes, the arrangement for sharing the boat entry is stated. Note: Only one Helmsperson may helm during the race.

Off The Beach Boats

Junior, Centreboard or Ordinary membership

Helmspersons of approved visiting boats shall hold the equivalent membership at a club affiliated with AS.

3.4 CREW

In accordance with RRS 46, all crew shall have current membership of SoPYC at least equivalent to:

Keelboats – Junior, Introductory Crew Member, Associate or Social Membership.

Off The Beach Boats – Junior, Centreboard Crew Member, Associate or Social Membership.

4. NOMINATION AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Eligible boats shall enter by completing the online registration with the OA by 1700 Tuesday 25th September 2018 to be included in the Opening Day races on Sunday 7th October 2018.
- 4.2 Online entries lodged during the season shall be lodged 24 hours prior to the first race in which it intends to compete in.
- 4.3 Visiting boats shall complete an online Casual Entry, 24 hours prior to the race it intends to compete in.
- 4.4 For scoring purposes, a boat which has nominated, shall be entered in a series for which it is eligible when it first comes to the starting area of a race of that series.

5. VISITING BOAT LIMITATIONS

- 5.1 Visiting Keelboats and Off The Beach boats shall be eligible to compete in any event except those designated 'Club Championship' in the Schedule of Events'.
- 5.2 For scoring purposes, a visiting boat is not eligible to be included in the any consistency series.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Racing is scheduled as per the Schedule of Events 2018 – 2019.

7. MEASUREMENT [DP]

Each boat shall produce, upon request, a valid measurement certificate.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available before the first race of each series from the SoPYC On Water Group office located in the main clubhouse foyer and www.sopyc.com.au.

9. RACING AREAS AND COURSES

- 9.1 Races will be conducted on Melville Water using Laid Courses or Club Courses. Course sheets are available from the racks outside the On Water Group office.
- 9.2 Separate or Supplementary NoR and SIs will be issued for special events, including events not conducted on Melville Water.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for all races.
- 10.2 Appendix T – Arbitration shall apply.

11. SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with the RRS Appendix A (Including A9) amended as follows:

Saturday Summer, Midweek, Twilight, IGA Frostbite & Multiple Race Series

- a) All fleets scored on the Club Performance Handicapping system.
- b) The number of races to constitute a series shall be 40% of all scheduled races.
- c) A boat's series score shall exclude one worst score per 6 races completed and scored.
- d) OTB Multiple Race Series will now include all races conducted on Club Championship Days.

Club Championship Series

- a) One Design Fleets – Over the line results.
- b) Division 1 – AMS handicaps
- c) Division 3 – Club Performance handicaps
- d) Sports Boats – SMS handicaps

The Championship number of races required to be completed to constitute a series, and the number of discards shall be in accordance with the table below:

Section	Races in Series	Races to constitute a series	Number of races completed				
			5	7	10	13	16
			Number of scores excluded				
Keelboats	7	4	1	2			
Off The Beach	18	9			1	2	3

12. SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

- 12.1 Support and coach boats shall register online with the OA at: <https://www.topyacht.com.au/entreg/enter.php?e=102.2.321>
- 12.2 All support and coach boats shall keep clear of the racing area while boats are racing (except when rendering assistance to a boat in distress).
- 12.3 Support and coach boats shall remain at least 50 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 12.4 All support and coach boats are required to have a VHF radio and maintain a listening watch on VHF ch. 77 or any other channel specified by the Race Committee.
- 12.5 When requested by the Race Officer, support and coach boats shall render assistance as and when directed.

13. OFFICIAL BOATS [NP]

All official boats will display the words 'Safety' and a SoPYC burgee.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP][NP]

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.



15. SAFETY [DP]

- 15.1 No anchors shall be carried on deck forward of the stem or any part protruding outboard.
- 15.2 Keelboats only – operable marine VHF radios shall be carried, which may be permanently installed or be waterproof handheld and shall be turned on whilst racing.
- 15.3 It is strongly recommended that all boat crews practice, at least once before their first race of the summer season, Man Overboard procedures (refer to AS Special Regulations Part 1, Section 6 – Training).

16. PRIZES

- 16.1 Pennants will be awarded in each race for each fleet or class for:
 - a) Handicap results – 1st, 2nd, 3rd & Fastest.
 - b) Club Championship results - 1st, 2nd & 3rd.
 - c) Visiting Boats will be eligible for pennants in races but shall not be eligible for any series prizes.
- 16.2 Trophies will be awarded for Championship and Consistency series with other awards as listed in the relevant section's Trophy Policy.
- 16.3 Where there is a trophy to be awarded for a single race on a multiple race day, the trophy shall be awarded for the result of the first race.
- 16.4 If the average number of boats in a division / fleet or class competing in each series is less than four, series trophies will only be awarded to first place.

17. PRESENTATIONS

Results presentations are announced in the Quarterdeck area of the Main clubhouse at 1730 hrs. Twilight Series presentations normally occur at 20:30 hrs. Note: In some cases, presentations may occur at earlier times or other locations as notified.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate entirely at the own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained prior to, during, or after any event.

No boat shall start in any race unless it has ticked the Declaration forming part of the online sailing nomination form.



19. MEDIA DISCLAIMER

Competitors agree to grant the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of the competitor during the period of the competition without compensation.

20. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$10 million per incident or equivalent.

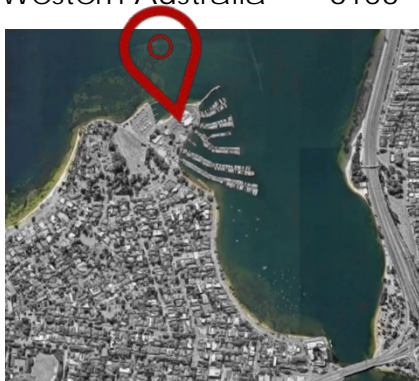
21. FURTHER INFORMATION

For additional information, contact the On Water Group or view the website:

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