



**South of Perth Yacht Club
(Organising Authority)**

**Off the Beach
2023 Winter Series
Invitational**

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South of Perth Yacht Club invites entries from eligible classes to participate in the Off the Beach 2023 Winter Series Invitational commencing 21 May 2023.

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 a disqualification.

The Organising Authority (OA) is South of Perth Yacht Club Inc. (SoPYC).

1. RULES

1.1 The series will be governed by the following rules:

- a) The Racing Rules of Racing (RRS).
- b) Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for Off The Beach Boats.
- c) Class rules of the respective classes (except where any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions) will apply.
- d) The Sailing Instructions.
- e) RRS Appendix T, Arbitration shall apply.

1.2 Racing rules(s) will be changed as follows:

- a) b) RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two-turns penalty is replaced by the one-turn penalty.
- b) RRS 60.1(a) is changed so that (NP) denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat.
- c) RRS 63.1, 64 and Appendix A5 will be amended in the Sailing Instructions to enable the Race Committee to apply a standard penalty (SCP) without a hearing for some breaches of the rules. The SCP for this regatta is 2 points.

2. ADVERTISING [DP]

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The series is open to boats of the following invited classes:

Triplehanded Classes:

Viper640

Doublehanded Classes:

Flying Fifteen, 29er, 125, Pelican

Singlehanded Classes: Subcategories

ICLA	7, 6 & 4
Open Skiff	Intermediate
Optimist	Intermediate
Windsurfer LT	

- 3.2 Competitors must be financial members of a yacht club or sailing club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 3.3 A minimum of 4 entries per class will be required to constitute a fleet and be eligible to receive pennants. Refer to NoR 13 Prizes. A minimum of 3 entries will be required for a subcategory to receive fleet specific results.
- 3.4 Classes not already invited, may apply to the OA for entry into the regatta. Please contact the OWG at sailingadministrator@sopyc.com.au to put forth the classes intent to compete.
- 3.5 The OA reserves the right to:
- Refuse entries.
 - Combine starts for minimum quantity fleets.
 - Combine minimum quantity classes into a mixed fleet based on YV Yardstick.
- 3.6 Eligible boats may enter online via the event webpage at: <https://sopyc.com.au/on-water/off-the-beach/off-beach-regattas/winter-series/>

4. Entry fee

There is no entry fee.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Date	1 st Warning	Classes
Sunday 21 May 2023	1300	Flying15, Viper640, 125, 29er, Optimist, Open Skiff, Pelican, Windsurfer LT, ILCA
Sunday 11 Jun 2023	1300	Flying15, Viper640, 125, 29er, Optimist, Open Skiff, Pelican, Windsurfer LT, ILCA
Sunday 25 Jun 2023	1300	Flying15, Viper640, 125, 29er, Optimist, Open Skiff, Pelican, ILCA
Sunday 23 Jul 2023	1300	Flying15, Viper640, 125, 29er, Optimist, Open Skiff, Pelican, Windsurfer LT, ILCA
Sunday 13 Aug 2023	1300	Flying15, Viper640, 125, 29er, Optimist, Open Skiff, Pelican, Windsurfer LT, ILCA
Sunday 27 Aug 2023	1300	Flying15, Viper640, 125, 29er, Optimist, Open Skiff, Pelican, ILCA

- 5.1 Number of races per day for each class will be a maximum of 3.
- 5.2 Fleets yet to be announced will have their racing days selected as soon as feasible by the OA (Organising Authority).

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 All competing boats shall conform to the measurement requirements of their respective class rules and have valid measurement certificates prior to this regatta. These valid measurement certificates should be brought to the regatta.

6.2 Random measurement checks and inspections may be carried out during the regatta.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available online on Thursday 18 May 2023 on the event website:
<https://sopyc.com.au/winter-series/>

8. VENUE

- 8.1 The regatta site is at the South of Perth Yacht Club, Off the Beach area.
- 8.2 The racing area is the Swan River area known as Melville Water East (MWE).
- 8.3 The Regatta Office is located in the OWG office in the main building, with notice board and signal mast located at the Centreboard Clubhouse.
- 8.4 Shower/toilet facilities are available, with Bar facilities available to competitors on event days specific to their class from 1200hrs.

9. THE COURSES

The courses will be Windward/Leeward/Triangle as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCORING

The low point scoring system, Appendix A shall apply.

- a) Drops will occur based on the following number of races in the series.
 - i. 1 Drop per 3 completed races
- b) Handicap results will be calculated after the first race day of the class, or after 3 races have been completed, and consistency results back calculated to Race 1.

11. SUPPORT / COACH BOATS [DP]

- 11.1 Support and coach boats not of SoPYC shall register via email with the OA at:
sailingadministrator@sopyc.com.au
- 11.2 All support and coach boats shall keep clear of the racing areas while boats are racing (except when rendering assistance to a boat in distress).
- 11.3 Support and coach boats shall remain at least 50 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 11.4 All support and coach boats are required to have VHF radio and maintain a listening watch on VHF Ch. 69 or any other channel specified by the Race Committee.
- 11.5 When requested by the Race Committee, support and coach boats shall render assistance as and when required.

12. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]

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.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 Daily results presentations will be announced in the Quarterdeck area of the main clubhouse no earlier than 1700 after the final race of the day.
- 13.2 Series results presentations will be announced in the Quarterdeck area of the main clubhouse following daily results of their last scheduled competition day.
- 13.3 Overall prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.
- 13.4 Pennants will be awarded as per the following schedule:

Daily Results	Per Day	Overall Series Results	
Performance Handicap (Fleet)	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd	Across the Line / Yardstick	1 st
Performance Handicap (Subcategory)	1 st	Subcategories	1 st Overall
		Performance Handicap	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD10 million per incident or the equivalent.

16. MEDIA DISCLAIMER

Competitors agree to grant the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make use, 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 athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

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