



Event Manager Swan River Sailing • Event Host Royal Perth Yacht Club
ISAF Grade 2 Event

NOTICE OF RACE

1. THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is the Western Australian Yachting Foundation Inc. trading as Swan River Sailing in conjunction with Royal Perth Yacht Club.

2. VENUE

The venue will be Royal Perth Yacht Club, Crawley, Western Australia.

3. EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for ISAF Grade 2. This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Rankings Sub Committee. The event may be regraded when there is clear reason to do so.

4. PROVISIONAL PROGRAM:

4.1	Tuesday	23 rd Nov	1200 – 1800	Registration and crew weigh-in
			1500 – 1700	Practice session for Group A
	Wednesday	24 th Nov	0730	Breakfast
			0730 – 0830	Registration and crew weigh-in
			0815	Race Committee & Umpires briefing with competitors
			0900 – 1100	Practice session for Group B
			1130	Round Robin Commences
			1930	Official Welcome Function
	Thursday	25 th Nov	0745	Breakfast
			0815	Briefing
			0930	Racing continues
	Friday	26 th Nov	0745	Breakfast
			0815	Briefing
			0930	Racing continues
	Saturday	27 th Nov	0845	Breakfast
			0915	Briefing
			1030	Semi finals and finals series commence
			1800	Closing Ceremony and Prize Giving

4.1 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Initial briefing for skippers.
- (b) The daily briefing for skippers.
- (c) Press conferences for skippers after sailing on each day of racing.
- (d) The official welcome function for skippers and crew.
- (e) The prize giving function for skippers and crew.

5. SKIPPER ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 Ten teams will be invited. Final selection of entrants will be chosen at the sole discretion of the OA.
- 5.2 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 5.3 To remain eligible, a team shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing (fax or e-mail is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- 5.4 An entry bond of AUD\$1,000 shall accompany the acceptance of invitation for this to be valid (Refer to NoR 6.2). The payment can be made by credit card, cheque or bank transfer to the following account:
Account Name: Western Australian Yachting Foundation Inc.
Bank Name: National Australia Bank Address: Level 1, 1232 Hay Street, West Perth, Western Australia 6005
BSB: 086 492 Account #: 526 331 509 Swift Code: NATAAU3302S IBAN #: AU086492526331509
- 5.5 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF regulation 19.2.
- 5.6 Skippers shall inform the OA of their teams ISAF Sailor ID at registration.

6. ENTRIES

- 6.1 The skipper shall be entered upon the return of a completed entry form and payment of the entry bond. Payments shall be made by credit card, cheque or in Australian dollars.
- 6.2 **Damage deposit**
- (a) The entry bond of AUD\$1,000 will be transferred to an initial damage deposit. The insurance excess on each and every incident is AUD\$1,000. The total liability for damage during the event may exceed AUD\$1,000.
- (b) In the event that a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded soon after the event.

7. RULES

- 7.1
- a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including Appendix C.
- b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply and will also apply to any practice sailing. Class rules will not apply.
- c) Sailing Instructions will be made available at the registration.
- d) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply shall be posted on the official notice board.
- 7.2 An international jury (IJ) will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N.

8. BOATS AND SAILS

- 8.1 The event will be sailed in *Foundation 36* yachts.
- 8.2 Ten matched boats will be provided, with a maximum of six boats sailed at any one given time.
- 8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: mainsail, genoa, jib and spinnaker.
- 8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

9. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 9.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 5. All registered crew shall sail in all races.
- 9.2 The maximum total crew weight, determined at registration shall be 437.5kg, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- 9.3 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- 9.4 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10. EVENT FORMAT

- 10.1 The event will consist of a Round Robin, quarter final, semi finals and finals.
- 10.2 The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

11. COURSE

- 11.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- 11.2 The intended course area will be Matilda Bay and Perth Water, Swan River, Perth, Western Australia.

12. ADVERTISING

- 12.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the OA, ISAF Regulation 20.4.1.3 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).

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 The principle prize for first place will be the inscription of the winning team on the Australia Cup.
- 13.2 Other prizes may be awarded.
- 13.3 The OA may reduce a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions as mentioned in 4.1.

14. MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

The OA may require media personnel and equipment to be carried on board while racing and may require competitors to be available for interviews. The OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

15. COACH BOATS

- 15.1 Coach boats shall conspicuously display identification of the team being coached. A coach boat is any boat that is under the direction or control of a person gathering information or giving material support for the benefit of particular competitors either on the water or off.
- 15.2 Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organisation may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the Protest Committee to the appropriate skipper or team.

16. PRACTICE

In addition to the practice session included in the event, competitors may arrange for private hire of the boats prior to the event by contacting Adele Jackson, Swan River Sailing on +61 8 9386 9488 or email adele@wayf.org.au.

17. DISCLAIMER

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

Swan River Sailing, Royal Perth Yacht Club Inc., and any other associated sponsor 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.

Attention is drawn to RRS Part 1, Fundamental Rules, in particular, RRS 4 which states that: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

18. INVITATIONS

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers. If you wish to be invited, please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by letter, fax or email or visit www.australiacup.org.au for more information.