



# NOTICE OF RACE



## 2026 Youth State Keelboat Championships

30<sup>th</sup> May, 2026 - South of Perth Yacht Club

PC: Protest Committee or International Jury  
OA: Organising Authority  
SI: Sailing Instruction  
[NP]: A boat may not protest as per NoR 1.3

NoR: Notice of Race  
RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing  
RC: Race Committee

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Races will be umpired and conducted as per Addendum A.
- 1.3 The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.4 The Organising Authority for this Regatta is South of Perth Yacht Club (SoPYC).

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions will be available via the [Youth State Keelboat Championships | Regattas | Swan River Sailing](#) at least one week before the Event.

### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located at [Youth State Keelboat Championships | Regattas | Swan River Sailing](#).

### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 No competitor shall have reached their 25th birthday prior to and including 30/05/2026.
- 4.2 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 5 or 6 (5, 6 or 7 for all female crews), excluding persons placed on board by the RC. All registered crew shall sail in all races.
- 4.3 The total weight of crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 437.5 kg (476 kgs for all female crews).
- 4.4 Random weight checks shall be conducted at or during the event with the total crew achieving the weight limit not later than 30minutes after the last race if requested by the OA's.
- 4.5 The OA at its discretion may place competitors or observers on teams outside of the parameters of NoR 4.
- 4.6 Teams may enter by registering online at [2026 YOUTH STATE KEELBOAT CHAMPIONSHIPS - South of Perth Yacht Club - revolutioniseSPORT](#)
- 4.7 To be considered an entry in the event, eligible teams shall complete registration and pay the required fee by 23/05/2026.
- 4.8 All competitors shall be members of an Australian Sailing affiliated club and hold a sailor identification number (SIN).
- 4.9 Entries are accepted at the discretion of the OA.

### 5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$800.
- 5.2 No damage deposit is required but teams are responsible for and will be charged for any damage, or lost items.
- 5.3 The maximum damage cost for any one incident is \$5,000.00.

### 6. ADVERTISING [DP]

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

### 7. EVENT FORMAT

- 7.1 The event will be sailed in Foundation 36 yachts provided by the OA. Each boat will have the following sails: mainsail, genoa, jib and spinnaker.
- 7.2 The sails to be used will be allocated by the RC.
- 7.3 As many races will be sailed as the schedule allows.

### 8. SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Details
30/05/2026	0900	Meet at South of Perth Yacht Club
	0900	Briefing
	0915	Briefing finishes, teams to go to allocated yachts.

1000	First warning signal (FWS) no earlier than 10am. Subsequent races will start as soon as possible. No warning signal after 1700.
After racing	Closing Presentations

## 9. BOAT ALLOCATION

- 9.1 Boats will be allocated for the duration of the event by the OA and competitors will be advised of their allocated boat number no later than 1200 on 29/05/2026.
- 9.1.1 One complimentary training session is included in the entry fee. Additional training sessions are available for \$500 for up to 4 hours or can be credited for coaching a charter or assisting with transferring the Foundation 36s to and from the Event. Please email [Adele Jackson](mailto:Adele.Jackson@swanriver.com.au) at Swan River Sailing to organise a training session or if you have any questions with trading hours etc.

## 10. VENUE

- 10.1 Racing will be conducted in front of South of Perth Yacht Club.

## 11. COURSES

- 11.1 Courses will be windward/leeward with a leeward gate finishing downwind and will be described in full in the Sailing Instructions.

## 12. SCORING

- 12.1 Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A.
- 12.2 If five or more races are sailed, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12.3 If four or fewer races are sailed, all races shall be scored.
- 12.4 One race constitutes a series.

## 13. BERTHING

- 13.1 All yachts shall be retrieved and returned by teams to RPYC. Teams will be transferred to/from South of Perth Yacht Club. In the event of a lunch break, boats shall be berthed along Jetty 3 at SoPYC, or as directed by the RC.

## 14. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. Boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means.

## 15. SUPPORT & COACH BOATS [DP]

- 15.1 Except when rendering assistance to a boat in distress or as directed by the RC, coach and support vessels shall remain 100m outside of the area in which the boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the RC signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 15.2 All support and coach vessels shall have a VHF radio and maintain a listening watch to the channel prescribed at the briefing or as otherwise specified by the RC.
- 15.3 All support and coach vessels shall render assistance when directed by the Course Race Officer.
- 15.4 All coach and support vessels not organised by the OA shall register with the OA no later than 24hrs prior to the FWS, by emailing [OWGmanager@sopyc.com.au](mailto:OWGmanager@sopyc.com.au)

## 16. RISK STATEMENT

- 16.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

## 17. PRIZES

- 17.1 The Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the winning team.
- 17.2 Prizes may be awarded for first, second and third overall.

## 18. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1 For further information please contact:  
[OWGmanager@sopyc.com.au](mailto:OWGmanager@sopyc.com.au)

## ADDENDUM A UMPIRED FLEET RACING

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### A1 CHANGES TO THE RACING RULES

#### A1.1 Changes to the Definitions and the Rules of Part 2

- (a) Add to the definition Proper Course: 'A boat taking a penalty or manoeuvring to take a penalty is not sailing a proper course.'
- (b) When rule 20 applies, the following arm signals are required in addition to the hails:
  - (1) for 'Room to tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing to windward; and
  - (2) for 'You tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.

#### A1.2 Changes to Rules Involving Protests and Exoneration

- (a) In rule 60.3(a)(1) 'serious' is deleted.
- (b) The third sentence of rule 61.1(a) and all of rule 61.1(a)(2) are deleted.
- (c) While racing, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 (except rule 14 when she has caused damage or injury) may take a single gybe when on an upwind leg or single tack when on a downwind leg under rule 44.

### A2 PROTESTS BY BOATS

When a boat protests under a rule of Part 2 or under rule 31 or 42 for an incident in the racing area, she is not entitled to a hearing and the following applies:

- (a) She shall hail 'Protest' and conspicuously display a "Y" (Yankee) flag at the first reasonable opportunity for each.
- (b) The boats shall be given time to respond. A boat involved in the incident may respond by promptly taking an appropriate penalty or clearly indicating that she will do so as soon as possible.
- (c) If no boat takes a penalty, an umpire shall decide whether to penalize any boat.
- (d) If more than one boat broke a rule and was not exonerated, an umpire may penalize any boat that broke a rule and did not take an appropriate penalty.
- (e) An umpire shall signal a decision in compliance with rule A3.
- (f) a boat penalized by an umpire shall take a Two-Turns Penalty.

### A3 SIGNALS BY UMPIRES

#### A3.1 An umpire shall signal a decision as follows:

- (a) A green and white flag with one long sound means 'No penalty.'
- (b) A red flag with one long sound means 'The identified boat is penalized.'
- (c) A black flag with one long sound means 'The identified boat is disqualified.'

#### A3.2 A boat penalized under rule A3.1(b) shall promptly take a Two-Turns Penalty under rule 44. A boat disqualified under rule A3.1(c) shall promptly leave the course area.

### A4 PENALTIES INITIATED BY UMPIRES

#### A4.1 Rule Changes

Rule 64.2 is changed so that the provision for exonerating a boat may be applied by the umpires without a hearing, and it takes precedence over any conflicting rule of this appendix.

#### A4.2 When a boat

- (a) breaks rule 31 or 42 and does not take a penalty,
- (b) gains an advantage despite taking a penalty,
- (c) breaks rule 2, or
- (d) fails to comply with rule 44.2 when required by an umpire,

an umpire may penalize her without a protest by another boat. The umpire shall impose a penalty of two or more turns, each including two tacks and two gybes, signalled by displaying a red flag and hailing the boat accordingly, or penalize her under rule A3.1(c) or report the incident to the protest committee for further action.

#### A4.3 If the umpires decide that a boat may have broken a rule other than those listed in rules A2 and A4.2, they shall so inform the protest committee for its action under rule 60.3.

### A5 REQUESTS FOR REDRESS OR REOPENING; APPEALS; OTHER PROCEEDINGS

#### A5.1 A boat intending to request redress because of circumstances that arise before she finishes or retires shall clearly display a red flag as soon as possible after she becomes aware of those circumstances, but not later than two minutes after finishing or retiring. She shall keep the flag displayed until she has informed the umpires after finishing or retiring.

- A5.2 There shall be no request for redress or an appeal from a decision made under the rules of this appendix. Rule 66.2 is changed to 'A party to the hearing may not ask for a reopening.'
- A5.3 A competitor may not base a request for redress on a claim that an action by an official boat was improper. The protest committee may decide to consider giving redress in such circumstances but only if it believes that an official boat, including an umpire boat, may have seriously interfered with a competing boat.
- A5.4 No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action by the umpires, except as permitted in rule A5.3.
- A5.5
- (a) Protests and requests for redress need not be in writing.
  - (b) The protest committee may take evidence and conduct the hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally.
  - (c) If the protest committee decides that a breach of a rule has had no significant effect on the outcome of the race, it may impose a penalty or make any other arrangement it decides is fair for all boats affected, which may be to impose no penalty.
- A5.6 Neither the race committee nor the protest committee shall protest a boat for breaking a rule listed in rule A2, except rule 14 when there is damage or injury.