



AUSTRALIAN WASZP NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023/2024

SORRENTO SAILING COUTA BOAT CLUB

MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA

7-9 DECEMBER 2023

NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)

The Organising Authority (OA) is Sorrento Sailing Couta Boat Club (SSCBC), in conjunction with the WASZP Sailing Association of Australia (WSAA)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the Rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The [Special Regulations of Australian Sailing \(AS\) Part 2](#) apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix P (Special procedures for rule 42) will apply as amended in section 12.
- 1.5 This is a WASZP Class Tier 3 event.
- 1.6 WSAA has mandated the wearing of helmets at all WSAA organised Tier 3 events in accordance with Class Rule 5.2

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions (SIs) will be available at the Official Notice Board (ONB) <https://sailingresults.net/sa/notice/?ID=81662> prior to the first day of the event.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Official communications will be posted on the ONB.
- 3.2 Competitors and supporters may join the following WhatsApp group which will be used for other communications during the event (<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Fomgu9htLrzH7453y46Jiz>).

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the WASZP Class.
- 4.2 All competitors shall be a member of WSAA (see <https://racehub.waszp.com/memberships>).
- 4.3 Boats may enter online at <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/221>
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 Entries close at 11.59pm on 1 December 2023. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the OA.

5 FEES

- 5.1 For entries completed before 15 Nov, the entry fee is \$AUD \$165.
- 5.2 For entries completed on or after 15 Nov, the entry fee is \$AUD \$205.
- 5.3 If a competitor who has paid the entry fee withdraws from the event before 1 Dec, 50% of their entry fees will be refunded. No refund will be given after entries close.
- 5.4 A further Late Entry Fee of \$50 is applicable for any entries accepted after entries close.

6 CODE CONDUCT [DP]

- 6.1 All competitors will be provided honorary membership to SSCBC during the event.
- 6.2 Competitors and support persons shall comply with SSCBC's Code of Conduct ([available here](#)) and reasonable requests of any officials or committees

7 ADVERTISING [NP] [DP]

- 7.1 If requested by the OA, boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA. This may include a requirement to wear podium bibs at specified times.

8 MEASUREMENT / EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the *rules*.
- 8.2 Further details about the measurement procedure will be posted on the ONB.
- 8.3 Penalties for breaches of Class Rules are [DP] if no other penalty is specified.

9 SCHEDULE

9.1 The table below outlines the provisional event schedule:

Date	Activity	Time
6 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Measurement• Registration	0900 - 1600 1200 - 1600
7 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Measurement and Registration• Competitor Briefing• Championship Racing	0900 - 1100 1115 1300
8 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Championship Racing	1100
9 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Championship Racing	1100

Note: A presentation will take place after racing each day

9.2 A maximum of 5 Championship races may be sailed on any day.

9.3 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1830.

10 VENUE

10.1 The event will be held from SSCBC: [3154 Point Nepean Rd, Sorrento VIC 3943, Australia](#).

10.2 The racing area will be in the area offshore from the club.

11 COURSES AND RACE FORMAT

11.1 Racing will be conducted as a single fleet.

11.2 The courses will be Windward Leeward in nature and will be described in the SIs.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 RRS 44.1 and P2.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12.2 RRS P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply. RRS P2.1 applies to all penalties under Appendix P.

13 SCORING

13.1 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.

13.2 Scoring will be detailed in the sailing instructions. For guidance, a discard will apply approximately 1 in every 4 races.

13.3 Scoring of SailGP Inspire qualification; For competitors who have also submitted a valid application to Sydney SailGP Inspire 2024 prior to registration (the "Inspire Candidates" - apply at <https://sailgp.com/general/purpose/better-sport/inspire/>), there will be separate Inspire results using high point scoring based on the number of Inspire Candidates including:

13.3.1 Results within the Inspire Candidates for each Championship Race of the Australian WASZP National Championships (with discards as set out in the SIs).

13.3.2 Points for active participation in WSAA state-based events in Oct – Dec 2023; equivalent to a Championship Race win within the Inspire Candidates (up to a max of two such race wins; one for each event (as notified to the OA by WSAA)).

14 SUPPORT PERSONS AND VESSELS

14.1 Support Persons (as defined in the RRS) shall register with the OA and be provided honorary membership to SSCBC during the event.

14.2 Support vessels are permitted at the event subject to the approval of the organising authority and the conditions in the [Support Vessel Regulations](#).

14.3 All support vessels shall register with the organising authority and will be required to comply with local legislation, event support vessel regulations and the *rules*.

14.4 Support vessels may be required to clearly display OA provided flag or stickers.

14.5 If requested by the race committee under RRS 37 or if a support person observes a person or vessel in danger, they shall act as rescue/assistance boats.

14.6 If requested by the race committee, support vessels shall assist in towing boats ashore.

14.7 Registration links for support persons / vessels will be available on the ONB.

15 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

See detail on the racehub <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/191#charter>

16 BERTHING

16.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

17 DATA PROTECTION

17.1 The personal information you provide to the OA will be used to facilitate your participation in the event and will be stored and used in accordance with the OA's privacy policy. To facilitate your participation in the event, or when required by the rules, personal information may be shared with event officials, your national governing body, and/or World Sailing. Relevant media, results and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

18 RISK STATEMENT

18.1 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.**

19 INSURANCE

19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$5 million per incident or the equivalent.

20 PRIZES

20.1 Prizes may be given for the Championship racing as follows:

- a) The Australian WASZP Champion; highest placed resident of Australia
- b) First, second and third overall
- c) First in each age group; Junior, Youth, Apprentice, Master and Super Master (as categorised on RaceHub on the last day of registration)
- d) First in each classification; Female, 6.9 rig, Family (parent and child combined score)

20.2 The top 2 female and top 4 male Inspire Candidates will be awarded spots in the Sydney SailGP Inspire program for Sydney in Feb 2024

20.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

21.1 Information about Sorrento and SSCBC and logistics can be found here <https://sscbc.com.au/waszp/>

21.2 For further information, please contact

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