



2023/2024 WASZP Australian Slalom Championships and NSW State Championships

24/27 January 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

ROYAL PRINCE ALFRED YACHT CLUB

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).

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

1. RULES

- 1.1. The events will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing except as altered by the Notice of Race (NOR), SIs and/or WASZP Class rules.
- 1.2. The WASZP Class rules apply.
- 1.3. Both events are classified as Tier 3.
- 1.4. The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 apply.
- 1.5. Appendix T – Arbitration will apply.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The SIs will be available prior to each event from the official notice board (ONB)

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Prior to the first day of competition in each event, the official notice board (ONB) is on the respective event page of RaceHub (see <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/268> and <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/267>)
- 3.2 From the first day of competition in each event, the ONB will be outside the Jack Gale Center adjacent to the RPAYC rigging lawn.
- 3.3 The “East Coast WASZP owners” Whatsapp Group may be used for timely non-official communication. All competitors, officials, friends and family are encouraged to join this group <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Kg1Sbgk14xpE9k5iVV8pNe>. This does not substitute for the ONB.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The events are open to all boats of the WASZP Class.
- 4.2 Competitors must be current financial members of WSAA.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter one or both events by completing the RaceHub entry process, together with the required fees by 15/1/2024. For clarity, to compete in the two events, two separate entries are required.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in each event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees for that event.
- 4.5 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority with the payment of the late entry fee.

5. FEES

- 5.1 The Entry Fee for the Australian Slalom shall be \$135; Late Entry Fee \$205.
- 5.2 The Entry Fee for the NSW States shall be \$135; Late Entry Fee \$205

6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the organising authority.

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Schedule of activities; It is intended to run the Australian Slalom Championships on 24/25 January and the NSW State Championships on 26/27 January, however, the schedule may be altered based on forecast.

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME
Wed 24 January	Registration (both events)	1000 hrs – 1100 hrs
	Competitor Briefing	1100 hrs
	First Warning Signal	1300 hrs
Thu 25 January	Competitor Briefing	0930 hrs
	First Warning Signal	1100 hrs
	Optional Twilight Sailing (<i>not WASZPs</i>)	1900 hrs (boat call)
Fri 26 January	Competitor Briefing	0930 hrs
	First Warning Signal	1100 hrs
	Slalom Presentation and BBQ	1730 hrs
Sat 27 January	Competitor Briefing	0930 hrs
	First Warning Signal	1100 hrs
	Last Warning Signal	1530 hrs
	States Presentation	After racing (BBQ)

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 Boats may be inspected by the Technical Committee at any time.
- 8.2 For each event, boats shall adhere to RRS 78.1 (compliance with class rules) from her registration until she has signed off following the last scheduled day of the series. [DP]

9. VENUE

- 9.1 NoR Attachment shows the plan of the event venue and location of the racing areas.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 The two-turns penalty in RRS 44.1 is replaced by a part-turn penalty where the incident occurs outside the zone. A part turn penalty consists of a gybe and coming to close-hauled when on a windward leg or a tack and sailing below 90 degrees when on any other leg.

11. COURSES

- 11.1 Course details will be set out in the SIs
- 11.2 For the Australian Slalom Championships, racing will likely be:
- 11.2 (a) Downwind “Slalom” course(s), and
 - 11.2 (b) A Distance Race (tentatively worth triple points)
- 11.3 For the NSW State Championships:
- 11.3 (a) Racing will be windward leeward course(s)
 - 11.3 (b) In non-foiling conditions, “enforced low riding” (ELR) races may be run. For ELRs, the ride height adjuster must be disconnected for the duration of each race with the purpose of preventing foiling. Any ELRs completed will count towards the championship results weighted 25%.
- 11.4 Other courses which may be used for fun races may be discussed at a competitor briefing and may be communicated to competitors whilst afloat. Such fun races will not be scored or form part of the relevant series score or contribute to the number of races in an event for the purposes of determining discards / excluded scores.

12. RACING FORMAT

Details to be set out in the relevant SIs

- 12.1 Races as part of the state championships and any Distance race will run as a single fleet
- 12.2 Slalom racing:
 - 12.2 (a) May be in split fleets or a single fleet
 - 12.2 (b) If split fleets are used, boats will be allocated to separate fleets by the OA to compete in a Qualifying Series and a Finals series.
- 12.3 Discards of approximately 1 in every 4 races will apply

13. RISK STATEMENT

- 13.1 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 these events, 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.**

14. INSURANCE

- 14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 (AUD) per incident or the equivalent.
- 14.2 All competitors who lodge an entry are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Competitors may be required to produce evidence of such insurance at registration.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes for the Australian Slalom Championships may be given as follows:
 - 15.1 (a) The National Champion; highest placed resident of Australia
 - 15.1 (b) First, second and third overall
 - 15.1 (c) First in classifications such as Female, 6.9 rig and relevant age groups
- 15.2 Prizes for the NSW State Championships may be given as follows:
 - 15.2 (a) The State Champion; highest placed resident of the state
 - 15.2 (b) First, second and third overall
 - 15.2 (c) First in classifications such as Female, 6.9 rig and relevant age groups
- 15.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1 For further information please contact:

WASZP email aus.waszp.association@hotmail.com

LOCATION INFORMATION; see continuing updates of Competitor Information on Racehub

Attachment; indicative racing areas

