



2024/25 Australian WASZP Slalom Championships

5th - 6th December 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA)

ROYAL FRESHWATER BAY 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 event is 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. This is a Tier 3 event.
- 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 the event from the Official Notice Board (ONB)

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The ONB is on the event page of RaceHub (see <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/391>)
- 3.2 A Whatsapp Group may be used for timely non-official communication; this does not substitute for the ONB. The link for this may be published on the Event page of RaceHub.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the WASZP Class.
- 4.2 Competitors must be current financial members of WSAA.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, to the event page by Monday, 25th November 2024.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the OA with the payment of the late entry fee.

5. FEES

- 5.1 The Entry Fee shall be \$60.
- 5.2 Late Entry surcharge \$30.

6. ADVERTISING

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

7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 7.1 Boats may be inspected by the Technical Committee at any time.
- 7.2 Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 (compliance with class rules) from the first competitor briefing until she has signed off following the last race of the series. [DP]

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Schedule of activities

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME
Thursday, 5 Dec	Registration	1400 hrs – 1500 hrs
	Competitor Briefing	1500 - 1515 hrs
	First Warning Signal	1600 hrs
Friday, 6 Dec	Competitor Briefing	1500 hrs
	First Warning Signal	1600 hrs
	Last Warning Signal	1800 hrs
	Presentation	After racing (BBQ)

9. VENUE

9.1 The Attachment shows the location of racing.

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 Racing will be the downwind “Slalom” course as described in the SIs.

11.2 Other courses that 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 Slalom series score or contribute to the number of Slalom races for the purposes of determining discards.

12. RACING FORMAT

12.1 Races may be run as a single fleet or in split fleets.

12.2 If a single fleet is used, all boats will be eligible to sail all races. Discards of approximately 1 in every 4 races will apply (details to be set out in the SIs).

12.3 If split fleets are used, boats will be allocated to separate fleets by the Organising Authority to compete in a Qualifying Series and a Finals series (to be explained in the SIs).

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 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.**

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 AND SAILGP INSPIRE SELECTION

15.1 Prizes may be given as follows:

15.1 (a) The Australia Slalom Champion

15.1 (b) First, second and third overall

15.1 (c) First in age group categories (per Racehub on the day of registration)

- Youth (junior / youth)
- Senior (apprentice, master and super master)

15.2 The top female and top 2 male Inspire Candidates (i.e. those who have also submitted a valid application to Sydney SailGP Inspire 2025 and have not yet been awarded a place), will be awarded places in the SailGP Inspire program for Sydney in 2025.

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

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1 For further information please contact:

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LOCATION INFORMATION; see continuing updates of Competitor Information on the ONB

Attachment – Racing Area

