



24/25 Queensland WASZP Sprint and State Championships

18-21 April 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA) WHITSUNDAY SAILING CLUB (WSC)

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 are governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing except as altered by the Notice of Race (NOR), Sailing Instructions (SIs) and/or WASZP Class rules.
- 1.2. The WASZP Class rules apply.
- 1.3. These are Tier 4 events.
- 1.4. Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 apply.
- 1.5. Appendix T (Arbitration; with associated scoring penalties) will apply.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The SIs will be available prior to each event from the Official Notice Board (ONB).

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 ONB for both events is on the State Championship event page on RaceHub (see <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/395>).
- 3.2 A whatsapp group may be used for timely non-official communication; this does not substitute for the ONB. The Whatsapp link may be published on the event page and can be obtained from WSAA (see 19 below).
- 3.3 [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive such communication which is 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. (see <https://racehub.waszp.com/memberships>).
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter both events by completing the State Championships entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, via the event pages by 1159hrs on 12/04/2025. That is, the single fee covers both events.
- 4.4 To be considered an entrant in the events, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 Late entries may be accepted at the OA's discretion with payment of the late entry fee.

5. FEES

- 5.1 Entry Fee; \$99
- 5.2 Late Entry Fee; \$150

6. CODE CONDUCT [DP]

- 6.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests of race officials and measurers

7. ADVERTISING [NP] [DP]

- 7.1 If requested by the OA, boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

8. VENUE

- 8.1 The event will be held from the WSC.

8.2 Racing areas will be as set out in the Attachment

9. MEASUREMENT / EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 9.1 Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 (compliance with class rules) from Registration commencement until signed off following the last race of the series. [DP]
- 9.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the rules.
- 9.3 Further details about measurement procedures may be posted on the ONB.
- 9.4 Penalties for breaches of Class Rules are [DP] if no other penalty is specified.

10. SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME
Fri 18 April	Registration (for both events) Qld Sprints Competitor Briefing Sprints First Warning Signal not before Sprints Presentation, Qld State Championships Competitor Briefing and Fleet party	0900 hrs - 1000 hrs 1030 hrs 1130 hrs 1800 hrs
Sat 19 April	States First Warning Signal not before	0930 hrs
Sun 20 April	States First Warning Signal not before Fleet social TBA	0930 hrs After Racing
Mon 21 April	States First Warning Signal not before Last Warning Signal no later than States Presentation	0930 hrs 1630 hrs After racing

It is intended that notices be posted each evening by 2000 hrs (including Thursday 17 April) confirming First Warning time for the following day based on latest forecasts

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 The two-turns penalty in RRS 44.1 is replaced with 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.
- 11.2 RRS P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply. RRS P2.1 applies to all penalties under Appendix P.

12. COURSES

- 12.1 Racing will use courses as described in the SIs for each event:
- 12.1 (a) Sprint Championships; Short courses with reaching starts
- 12.1 (b) State Championships; Windward-leewards.
- 12.2 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 series score nor contribute to the number of races for the purposes of determining discards / excluded scores in 13.

13. DISCARDS

- 13.1 Approximately 1 discard for every 4 races completed (details to be set out in the SIs).

14. SUPPORT PERSONS AND VESSELS

- 14.1 Support vessels are permitted at the event subject to the approval of the OA.
- 14.2 All support vessels shall register with the organising authority and will be required to comply with the rules, local legislation and the Support Vessel Regulations (see <https://www.waszp.asn.au/racehub/>).
- 14.3 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.
- 14.4 If requested by the race committee, support vessels shall assist in towing boats ashore.

15. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

15.1 See the WSAA contact in 19 (below).

16. DATA PROTECTION AND RISK STATEMENT

16.1 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 the WASZP Class, event officials, your national governing body, and/or World Sailing. Relevant media, results and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

16.2 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. INSURANCE

17.1 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.

17.2 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.

18. PRIZES

18.1 Prizes for the Sprint Championships may be given as follows:

- i. First (and Queensland Sprint Champion), second and third overall
- ii. First Female
- iii. First Small Rig

18.2 Prizes for the State Championships may be given as follows:

- i. The State Champion; highest placed resident of the state
- ii. First, second and third overall
- iii. First Female
- iv. First Small Rig
- v. First Youth
- vi. First Senior

18.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

WSAA; email aus.waszp.association@hotmail.com

WSC; email commodore@whitsundaysailingclub.com.au

Attachment; indicative racing areas

