



NOTICE OF RACE

Sydney Harbour

17 to 20 December 2015



Sail Sydney Notice of Race

Date, Venue and Organising Authority

The Sail Sydney regatta will be held on Sydney Harbour from Thursday 17 to Sunday 20 December 2015.

The official venue for the Regatta will be Woollahra Sailing Club, Rose Bay, Sydney.

The Organising Authority is Yachting NSW:

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1. Rules

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The Yachting Australia prescriptions shall not apply for Olympic classes.
- 1.3. The Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 2- *Off the Beach Classes* shall apply. These are available at the [Yachting Australia website](http://www.yachting.org.au) www.yachting.org.au
- 1.4. RRS Appendix P – Immediate Penalties for Breaking Rule 42 will apply.
- 1.5. Harbour control regulations laid down by the RMS (Maritime) Authority will apply. These are available on the event website www.sailsydney.org.au and in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.6. For non-ISAF classes where there is a conflict between the class rules and the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions the latter shall prevail.

2. Advertising

- 2.1. Competitors may be required to display Event sponsor's name(s)/logo(s) and numbers. If required, the Organising Authority will supply these items and they shall be affixed as prescribed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2. The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by a boat or competitor when it is in conflict with the laws of the New South Wales and or Australian governments.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. All competitors shall be a current member of an ISAF Member National Authority.
- 3.2. The regatta is open to all classes listed in the online entry form and on the website.
- 3.3. Competitors shall enter by completing the on-line entry form on the event website, available via www.sailsydney.org.au or www.nsw.yachting.org.au. Entries must be received no later than 1700hrs on 3rd December 2015. Entries may be accepted after this date at the discretion of the Organising Authority, but shall be subject to a \$50 late entry fee.
- 3.4. Laser masters competitors must be at least 35 years of age at 16th December 2015. Eligibility for age divisions shall be determined by the competitor's age at 16th December 2015.
- 3.4. Classes not listed in the online Entry form or website may apply to be included in the schedule which will be at the discretion of the Organising Authority. Entry Fee will be comparable to that of similar classes.
- 3.5. All entries, together with the entry fee, Code of Conduct and parental consent (where relevant) shall be made to the Organising Authority via the online entry system by the closing date for entries.
- 3.6. If, by the closing date for entries, fewer than ten entries have been lodged in any Class, the Organising Authority reserves the right to either cancel racing or combine fleets of compatible classes.

4. Fees

Entry fees are outlined in the Event Schedule at Attachment A.

5. Schedule of Events and race format

- 5.1. Registration for the event will be conducted online as part of the entry process.
- 5.2. Any change of details will be done electronically via the event website.
- 5.3. The schedule of races will be set out in the Sailing Instructions.
- 5.4. The maximum number of races for each class is outlined in the Event Schedule.
- 5.5. The first warning signal for any fleet will not be made before 1100hrs on their first scheduled day of racing.

6. Measurement

- 6.1. Random measurement checks and inspections may be carried out at any time. A boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the Race Committee.

7. Sailing instructions

Sailing Instructions will only be available at the [Sail Sydney website](http://www.sailsydney.org.au) from 28 November 2015.

8. Venue & Courses

The host club is Woollahra Sailing Club. The Sydney Harbour racing areas are shown at Attachment B. The format, courses to be sailed and the class allocation to the racing areas will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions. Classes may be divided into groups for racing. The decision of the Organising Authority shall be final.

9. Penalty System

- 9.1. For Hobie 16, A class Nacra 17, RS:X, 49er, 49erFX, 29er classes RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.
- 9.2. The Organising Authority reserves the right to use alternative penalty systems.
- 9.3. Decisions of the International/National Jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

10. Arbitration

Arbitration may be used for protests alleging infringements of a rule of Part 2 , Part 4 or Rule 31.

11. Scoring

- 11.1. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.3. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.4. Divisions within the Laser fleets will be scored using the overall fleet placings.

12. Support Boats

- 12.1. Support boats while afloat must display a numbered white flag supplied by the Organising Authority. To obtain this flag for the Support boats, a refundable deposit of \$50 is to be lodged with the Organising Authority upon registration (credit card details only, no cash).
- 12.2. The Organising Authority recommends that all support boats be fitted with a propeller guard and carry a VHF radio.
- 12.3. All international support and coach boats intending to go afloat on Sydney Harbour, NSW shall comply with the RMS (Maritime) Authority registration requirements.

13. Radio Communication

- 13.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmission whilst racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14. Prizes

Prizes for each class in Sail Sydney will be presented as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

15. Disclaimer of Liability

It is the responsibility of owners and skippers to ensure that each boat nominated on the entry form complies with the 'rules' as defined in the RRS.

All competitors who enter the Regatta, in doing so, have made a declaration to the Organising Authority that the nominated boat will, at all times while racing, comply with the requirements of Yachting Australia, the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, including:

- (a) RRS 46 and it is the responsibility of the person in charge of the boat to ensure that the crew complies with RRS 56;
- (b) The Organising Authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment;
- (c) The person who signs and lodges the entry form with the Organising Authority, warranting to the Organising Authority that he or she will draw to the attention of any person who competes on the yacht, the subject of the entry form in any event conducted by the Organising Authority of the risk warning above;
- (d) the person who signs and lodges this entry form with the Organising Authority, acknowledging receipt of the risk warning above and releasing the Organising Authority from any claim or liability whatsoever for any harm or personal injury suffered by him, or by any person claiming through him, in any event conducted by the Organising Authority; and
- (e) All those taking part in these races do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to RRS 4 which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". Yachting NSW, Race Committees and other race officials are not responsible for any damage or injury either afloat or ashore prior to, during or after the event.

16. Risk Warning

This RISK WARNING is issued jointly by Yachting NSW and RMS (Maritime), pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002 to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by Yachting NSW.

Participants are warned that, regardless of the precautions, which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death.

As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:

- (a) The extremes of weather and sea conditions.
- (b) The potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels.
- (c) The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning.
- (d) The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel.
- (e) The absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available.
- (f) Exposure to the elements for extended periods.

Yachting NSW and RMS (Maritime) also warn participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress. Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event in the 2015 Sail Sydney Regatta.

Participants are also advised that although Yachting NSW is covered by third party liability insurance, this cover DOES NOT extend to participants. Any participant who considers they have a need for insurance must make their own private arrangements with an insurer. Membership of a sailing club affiliated with Yachting NSW entitles you to personal accident insurance cover.

17. Insurance

- 17.1. Each participating boat shall present a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third-party liability coverage of at least AUD \$5,000,000 (recommended \$10,000,000) (or equivalent) per incident.
- 17.2. Competitors will be required to supply insurance details as part of the online entry. Any competitor not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.
- 17.3. Third Party and Boat Insurance can be purchased at www.ynswinsurance.com

18. Rights To Use Name And Likeness

- 18.1. In participating, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said Event without compensation.

19. Further Information

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20. Amendments

This Notice of Race may be amended and any amendments will be posted on [the event web site](#)

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EVENT SCHEDULE

OLYMPIC AND INVITED CLASSES

December 17th - 20th

Class	Entry fee (Incl. GST)	Schedule of Races (Target)	# Race Days	Race days December 2015
29er	\$225	10	3	Thurs 17 to Sat 19
420	\$225	10	3	Thurs 17 to Sat 19
470 M & W	\$225	10	3	Thurs 17 to Sat 19
49er, FX	\$225	10	3	Thurs 17 to Sat 19
A Class	\$165	8	2	Sat 19 to Sun 20
Finn	\$165	10	3	Thurs 17 to Sat 19
Flying 11	\$150	6	2	Sat 19 to Sun 20
Laser	\$165	10	3	Thurs 17 to Sat 19
Laser Radial	\$165	10	3	Thurs 17 to Sat 19
Laser 4.7	\$165	10	3	Thurs 17 to Sat 19
Nacra 17	\$150	8	2	Sat 19 to Sun 20
RS:X	\$165	8	2	Sat 19 to Sun 20
F18	\$165	8	2	Sat 19 to Sun 20
Optimist (Open)	\$165	8	3	Fri 18 to Sun 20
Optimist (Intermediate)	\$165	8	3	Fri 18 to Sun 20
Optimist (Green)	\$165		3	Fri 18 to Sun 20
Sabot (1- up)	\$110	8	2	Sat 19 to Sun 20
Byte	\$110	8	2	Sat 19 to Sun 20
Tasar	\$150	6	2	Sat 19 to Sun 20