



NOTICE OF RACE Ver 1

Royal Brighton Yacht Club

RBYC—The Future of Racing

SUNDAY TROPHY RACE

The Organising Authority is The Royal Brighton Yacht Club Inc. (RBYC).

Amendments

Number	Date	Change
Ver 1	1/4/26	Original

1. Rules

- 1.1. All races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1, Sections 1 – 6, shall apply for Keelboats. This Race shall be sailed under Cat 6.
- 1.3. The Australian Sailing Keelboat Handicap Rule (PHS) where applicable.
- 1.4. Appendix T Arbitration shall apply.

2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. The RBYC Sunday Trophy Race Sailing Instructions dated 1st April 2026 shall apply.
- 2.2. The Sailing Instructions (SI) are posted on the Official Notice Board.

3. Communication

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board is the Online Notice Board located at - [Competitor Notices](#)
- 3.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on **channels 16, 73 & 77** and shall maintain a listening watch on Ch 77 while racing. The radio may be permanently installed or a waterproof handheld.
- 3.3. [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the race, 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. Entry is open to Keelboats on the register of RBYC or any other organisation affiliated with Australian Sailing, that has provided a current Safety Compliance Declaration and Checklist. All boats must have insurance cover as described in Section 14.
- 4.2. Eligible boats that wish to enter a series are requested to do so on-line **7 days** prior to the commencement of said series. Casual entries will be accepted up to 24 hrs prior to race start.
- 4.3. Two-Handed entries shall have no more than 2 persons aboard whilst racing and may use self-steering.

5. Fees

- 5.1. If the boat is entered by an RBYC Member, or any other organisation affiliated with Australian Sailing, no fee is payable.
- 5.2. Fees may be changed by Sailing Instructions.

6. Schedule of Events

- 6.1. The Schedule of Races will be published as per the RBYC Sailing calendar <https://rbyc.org.au/rbyc-calendar/>.
- 6.2. On occasions when a decision is made that a Sunday's racing is not possible the racing may be re-scheduled for the next available Sunday that has no scheduled racing. The decision not to race will generally be made by 0800 on the day of the scheduled race; the date and time of the re-scheduled races will be available on the Official Notice Board.

7. Venue

The racing area will be on the waters of Port Phillip.

8. Courses

The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions. All races will be run as a pursuit no extras race.

9. Safety

- 9.1. All competing boats must lodge the appropriate Safety Compliance Declaration to the sailing office prior to racing via sailing@rbyc.org.au. Boats failing to comply will have their entry refused.
- 9.2. After providing your self-audited safety compliance declaration an independent audit may be required by an approved safety auditor.
- 9.3. In addition to the requirements of the designated Safety Category, the following requirements also apply:
 - 9.3.1. While racing, no anchors shall be carried on deck forward of the bow or with any part protruding outboard. Unless built into part of the boat such as a bow sprit.
 - 9.3.2. All crew on deck competing under the following conditions shall wear a lifejacket: a) Keelboats entered as Two-Handed – lifejacket must comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Section 3.12 (minimum 50) b) Keelboats competing as Cat 7 on a boat without lifelines complying with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Section 3.12 - lifejacket must comply with AS Special Regulations Part 2, Section 5.01.2 (minimum 50S).
 - 9.3.3. All boats and their full crew are required to sign-on for each Club race day through the sign on/off system (<http://rbyc.org.au/signon>). All boats must also sign off through the sign on/off system.
 - 9.3.4. Failure to comply with SI 9.4.1 or 9.4.2 this rule **may** result in the boat having a 3-point penalty (SCP) added to their score for the race(s) without a hearing. Failure to comply with SI 9.4.3 **will** result in the boat having a 3-point penalty (SCP) added to their score for the race(s) without a hearing.

10. Penalty System

- 10.1. Failure to comply with Australian Sailing Prescription under RRS 46 may result in a 3-point penalty without a hearing.

11. Media

By lodging an entry, all competitors, including owners, give absolute right and permission for any photographs and/or video footage of their boat and crew to be published in any media stream for editorial, publicity or advertising purposes.

12. RISK STATEMENT

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.

The Organising Authority, and the host club, their staff, officers, members, servants, and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in this Event or howsoever arising in connection with this Event.

13. Insurance

All boats shall have third party racing insurance cover of not less than \$AUD10 million (or equivalent thereof in any other currency) for any accident. All owners/competitors who complete the entry form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owner/competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

14. Trophies

14.1. Prizes may be awarded to the boats placing first.

14.2. Only boats on the RBYC Boat Register or any other organisation affiliated with Australian Sailing and entered accordingly to this NOR are eligible to win Trophy Race.

14.3. Prizes may be amended by Sailing Instructions or the organising authority.

15. Further Information

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