

# ATSA



Australian Team Sailing Association

## 2026 WA Schools Team Sailing Championship

Wednesday 15 to Friday 17 April

# NOTICE OF RACE

### Organising Authority:

Nedlands Yacht Club in conjunction with WA Team Sailing Association



### Venue

Nedlands Yacht Club, The Esplanade Nedlands WA 6009

### Supported By:



## Abbreviations:

[DP] - The notation [DP] in a rule indicates that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

## 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules.
- 1.2. Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 will apply.
- 1.3. The Pacer Class rules shall not apply.
- 1.4. All races shall be umpired as per RRS Appendix D2.

## 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all WA Secondary Schools.
- 2.2. All members of a team shall be bona fide students of the secondary school they represent and be affiliated with Australian Sailing which provides on water personal insurance for participants through the "Australian Sailing Benefits Program". Team members shall be from year 7 to year 12.
- 2.3. Where related schools/colleges have separate male and female campuses, those related schools/colleges shall be eligible to enter as a single team.
- 2.4. If a school is unable to field a complete team, subject to the discretion of the Organising Authority, two schools may enter a combined team where each school provides at least 2 team members. A combined team shall be entered under the name of both schools together with each school's signed approval. Refer to NoR 15.2 regarding qualifications to further events.
- 2.5. Each school may nominate up to three teams, of which the first team is guaranteed a place in the event. If less than 24 teams enter, an invitation may be extended to the 2nd ranked team, and then to any other team at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 2.6. A team may consist of up to seven members, of which any combination of six may sail.
- 2.7. There will be no weight limits for this regatta.
- 2.8. Team managers may register on line via the link available at the Nedlands Yacht Club regatta page (<http://nyc.org.au/sailing/regattas/>). Entries are open until 1700 on Friday 3 April 2026. Late entries are at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 2.9. Acceptance of a nomination is at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 2.10. All entries are on line only.
- 2.11. All payments must be received by the Nedlands Yacht Club by the close of registration. Teams not fully paid up by this time will forfeit their entry. Late entry payments must be received by agreement with Nedlands Yacht Club before the late entry can be processed.

## 3. FEES

The Entry Fee is \$700 (inc GST) plus a \$450 Damage Deposit per team, payable to Nedlands Yacht Club, a total amount of \$1,150 per team.

Team Managers are advised to inform their school's accounting department that the Damage Deposit is a deposit paid to repair damage to boats and / or equipment during the regatta. It is unlikely the full \$450 will be refunded to each team.

## **4. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES**

### **4.1. Qualifying Series**

- Scheduled from Wednesday 15 April to Friday 17 April 2026.
- All teams will participate in a Swiss League series.
- As many rounds as possible of the Swiss League will be raced. Incomplete rounds will not be scored.
- Teams shall be ranked in the order determined by Swiss League. This changes RRS D4.

### **4.2. Final Series**

- Scheduled for Friday 17 April 2026, following the completion of qualifying series.
- The top eight teams from the Qualifying Series will participate in the Schools Regatta Finals series.
- The final series will be a knock-out stage format.

4.3. The Race Committee may change the format, terminate any series or stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of the matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.

## **5. SCHEDULE**

### **5.1. Wednesday 15 to Thursday 16 April - Qualifying Series (Meetings at Nedlands YC)**

- 0800 Coaches / Managers' Meeting with the RO and Chief Umpire
- 0815 Competitors' Briefing
- 0915 Time of first warning signal
- After racing Umpire debrief

### **5.2. Friday 17 April - Completion of the Qualifying Series followed by the Final Series**

- 0815 Competitors' Briefing
- 0915 Time of first warning signal
- No warning signal for the first race of a 'stage' of the Finals Series will be made after 1700.

## **6. PROVIDED EQUIPMENT AND DAMAGE DEPOSIT**

- 6.1. The regatta will be sailed in three-boat teams in Pacer Dinghies.
- 6.2. The total cost of damage to any boat or equipment may be charged to the team deemed responsible where the damage is considered the result of intentional or negligent action by a competitor[s].
- 6.3. Should more than 50% of the damage deposit be deducted during the regatta, the deposit will be required to be restored to the original value before that team can continue racing.
- 6.4. Other damage costs will be divided equally between all competing teams and withheld from the damage deposits. The balance of the damage deposits at the end of the regatta will be refunded. A team that may not have caused any significant damage may still incur a loss of some part of its deposit.

## **7. SAFETY**

- 7.1. All competitors shall supply their own approved lifejacket as specified in AS Special Regulation Part 2, "5.01.2 Personal Flotation Devices", and shall wear it at all times while afloat. Inflatable lifejackets shall not be used by competitors. Refer AS Special Regulation Part 2, "5.01.3.
- 7.2. Each team shall be supervised at all times by their team manager or a delegated responsible adult who is made known to the Organising Authority. The Organising Authority takes no responsibility for sailors who are not supervised by team managers. Teams who do not have an appointed adult to supervise them at all times will not be permitted to compete.

## **8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions will be available prior to the commencement of the event and will be posted on the Nedlands Yacht Club website. It will be the responsibility of each team to ensure they have access to a copy.

## 9. VENUE

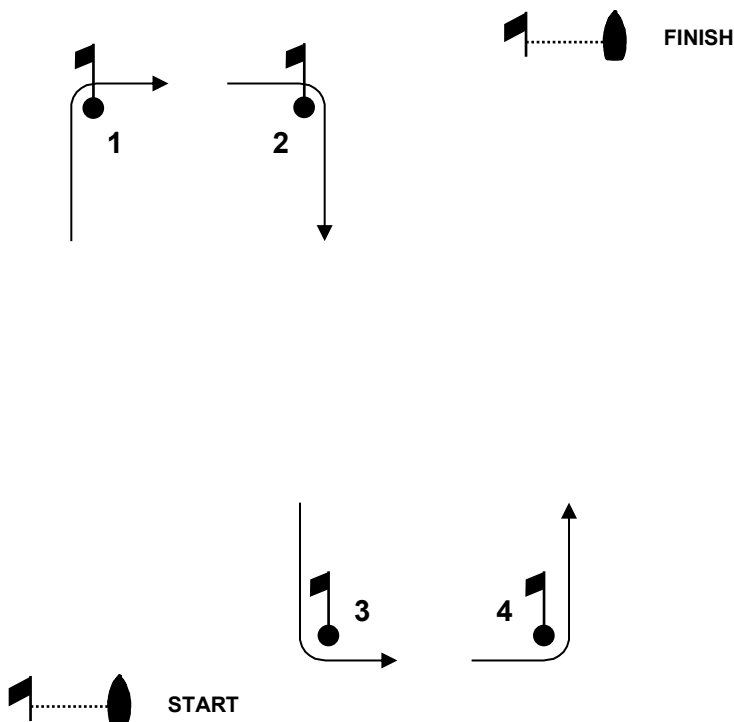
- 9.1. The regatta site will be the Nedlands Yacht Club.
- 9.2. The racing area will be adjacent to the club grounds.



## 10. THE COURSE

The diagram below shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

START - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - FINISH



## 11. SCORING

- 11.1. The Scoring System shall be in accordance with Appendix D, Team Racing Rules, as modified by this Notice of Race and by the Sailing Instructions.

## **12. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS**

12.1. The official On-Line notice board is at <http://nyc.org.au/sailing/regattas/>

## **13. PRIZES**

13.1. Medallions will be presented to:

- 1st placed School team.
- 2nd placed School team.
- 3rd placed School team.

13.2. Perpetual trophies will be awarded as follows:

- 1st placed School team.

13.3. The Organising Authority reserves the right to alter the prizes based on the number of teams entered.

## **14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

14.1. Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility.

14.2. Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk - see RRS rule 3, Decision to Race.

14.3. The OA will not accept any liability for material loss or damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the Championship. The OA encompasses everyone helping to run the event.

## **15. QUALIFICATIONS TO FURTHER EVENTS**

15.1. Invitations to attend the School Team Sailing Australian Championships will be forwarded at the sole discretion of the Australian Teams Sailing Association, upon receipt of results from the WA Schools Team Sailing Championships.

15.2. Combined school teams are not eligible to enter the 2026 Australian Secondary Schools Team Sailing Championship.

## **16. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

16.1. By entering the event a competitor and their guardians grant the host club the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion any image created during the event and all material related to the event without compensation.

## **17. FURTHER INFORMATION**

17.1. Lunches are not included in the regatta fees and are the responsibility of each team.

17.2. It is the responsibility of individual teams and competitors to arrange their own accommodation. Local information will be available on the NYC regatta web page.

17.3. Further information will be posted on the NYC regatta web page as it becomes available.

17.4. Requests for more information should be directed to [sailing@nyc.org.au](mailto:sailing@nyc.org.au) attention Graeme Pennifold.

***The support from the following yacht clubs and colleges is greatly appreciated:***

- ***Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club***
- ***South of Perth Yacht Club***
- ***Royal Perth Yacht Club***
- ***Christ Church Grammar School***
- ***Scotch College***

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