



Sailing Season 2020 - 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

Keelboats, Etchells, Dragons and 2.4mR

Races covered by this Notice of Race are designated club events in the Royal Brighton Yacht Club Sailing Program commencing 1st October 2020

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.
- 1.3. The IRC Rule where applicable.
- 1.4. The Australian Measurement System (AMS) where applicable.
- 1.5. The Australian Sailing Keelboat Handicap Rule (PHS) where applicable.
- 1.6. The Sportsboat Measurement System (SMS) where applicable.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. Entry is open to keelboats, Etchells, Dragons and 2.4mR, 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 15.
- 2.2. Eligible boats shall enter on-line at www.rbyc.org.au prior to the commencement of the race or series. Keelboats entering any race or series as Two-Handed shall have no more than two persons aboard while racing and may use self-steering.

3. FEES

- 3.1. Required fees are as follows:
 - 3.1.1. If the boat is entered by an RBYC Member, no fee is payable.
 - 3.1.2. If the boat is entered by a non-member of RBYC, the fee will be as follows:
 - a) \$400 for the season
 - b) \$100 for a series greater than 8 race days
 - c) \$50 for a series with 8 race days or less
 - d) \$25 per race day
- 3.2. Fees may be changed by Supplementary Sailing Instructions.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. The Schedule of Races will be published as the RBYC Sailing Program.
- 4.2. Where more than one divisional keelboat race is conducted on Club Marine race days, the first race of the day will be scored as the RBYC divisional aggregate and trophy race.

- 4.3. On occasions when a decision is made that a Saturday's racing is not possible the racing will be re-scheduled for the next available Saturday that has no scheduled racing. The decision not to race will generally be made by midday on the day of the scheduled race; the date and time of the re-scheduled races will be available on the Notice Board and the Club's website by 3 pm of the same day.

5. SAFETY

- 5.1. The Keelboat Safety Category for each race will be designated in the RBYC Sailing Program.
- 5.2. Where a Safety Category has been designated in the RBYC Sailing Program, all competing boats shall lodge a Safety Compliance Declaration and Checklist covering the appropriate safety category prior to racing. Boats failing to comply will have their entry refused.
- 5.3. In addition to the requirements of the designated Safety Category, the following additions apply:
- a. While racing, no anchors shall be carried on deck forward of the bow or with any part protruding outboard.
 - b. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting on channels 16 & 77. The radio may be permanently installed or a waterproof handheld.
 - c. All crew on deck competing under the following conditions shall wear a lifejacket:
 - i Keelboats entered as Two-Handed – lifejacket must comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Section 3.12 (minimum 50)
 - ii Keelboats competing as Cat 7 on a boat without lifelines complying with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Section 3.12 (e.g. Etchells and Dragons) - lifejacket must comply with AS Special Regulations Part 2, Section 5.01.2 (minimum 50S).
- 5.4. All boats are required to sign-on for each Club race day through the sign on/off system (<http://rbyc.org.au/signon>). Failure to comply with this rule for racing will result in the boat having a 3 point penalty added to their score for the race(s) without a hearing.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. The RBYC Sailing Instructions dated 1st October 2020 or later as revised by a Notice to Competitors shall apply.
- 6.2. Sailing Instructions are available on the RBYC website.
- 6.3. Supplementary Sailing Instructions shall be issued as designated in the RBYC Sailing Program. (SSI)

7. VENUE

- 7.1. Racing will be conducted on the waters of Port Phillip.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. For Etchells, Dragon and 2.4mR boats racing in One Design races the penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One-Turn Penalty, except

that for infringements within the zone, as defined in the RRS, shall be a Two-Turn penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2. The Low Points Scoring System specified in Appendix A will apply as modified below:
 - a. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b. When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - c. When from 10 to 14 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
 - d. When 15 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.
- 10.3. Boats holding an IRC short-handed certificate, AMS two-handed rating and/or PHS two-handed rating entered as Two-Handed will be scored in the overall results of the race.
- 10.4. Keelboats entered in a series will be scored according to either their Fully Crewed or their Two-Handed handicap. Boats wishing to sail with both configurations are required to lodge an additional entry.
- 10.5. For races designated as Fixed Time Races the scoring will be based on the boat's corrected distance sailed as detailed in Appendix A of this Notice of Race.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 11.1. RBYC Race Control will use VHF Channel 77.
- 11.2. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 11.3. It is recommended that all boats monitor/transmit on VHF Channels 77 and 16.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Prizes may be awarded to the boats placing first, second and third, depending on the number of starters in a race or series as follows:
 - a. A minimum of five starters are required for a third prize to be awarded.
 - b. A minimum of four starters are required for a second prize to be awarded.
- 12.2. Only boats on the RBYC Boat Register and entered by an RBYC member are eligible to win any RBYC Trophy Race or Series with the exception that financial members of a fleet affiliated with the International Etchells Association are eligible to win RBYC Etchells Trophies.
- 12.3. Prizes may be amended by Supplementary Sailing Instructions.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

13.1. Competitors participate in the racing entirely at their own risk. See the rule relating to Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the racing covered by this Notice of Race.

14. MEDIA RIGHTS

14.1. By participating in these races, competitors automatically grant to Royal Brighton Yacht Club and its sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the competitor during the period of the races without compensation.

15. INSURANCE

15.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$10 Million per incident or the equivalent and shall maintain this cover for the period of the series. If a boat fails to maintain her insurance during the series, she shall be deemed to be ineligible and scored DNC for each race until her insurance is restored.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

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Appendix A – Scoring for Fixed Time Races

1. Scoring for all races designated as Fixed Time Races will be based on the boat's corrected distance sailed, using the boat's correction (IRC, AMS or PHS) factor.
2. All Fixed Time Races are scheduled to Finish at 4pm.
3. The boat with the largest corrected distance sailed will be declared the winner.
4. Corrected Distance =

a)
$$\frac{\text{Actual Distance (from the boat's reported position at 4pm)}}{\text{Correction Factor}}$$

5. The Actual Distance is calculated as :-

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{(The sum of the leg lengths from the Start to the last mark rounded)} \\ & \quad + \\ & \text{(The Distance Made Good from the last mark rounded to the next mark)} \end{aligned}$$

6. The Distance Made Good is calculated using the position of the last mark, the position of the next mark and the boat's reported position to place the boat a calculated distance along a direct line between the 2 marks at 4pm.
7. In the event that a boat completes the entire course in before 4pm, their Actual Distance will be calculated as :-

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Course Length} \\ & \quad + \\ & \text{(Average Speed * (16.00 – (Finish Time (hours and decimal hours – hh.hh))} \end{aligned}$$