

**ROYAL PRINCE ALFRED
YACHT CLUB**

Pittwater Secondary Schools Teams Racing Regatta 2024

Saturday 2nd March 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

Version 1.0 – 08 Jan 2024

ORGANISING AUTHORITY & HOST CLUB

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REGATTA WEBSITE

www.rpayc.com.au/pittwater-school-teams-regatta



1. RULES

- 1.1 The Pittwater Secondary Schools Teams Racing Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing (WS) *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) including Appendix D – Team Racing Rules.
- 1.2 The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 2; 5 Personal Equipment will apply.
- 1.3 Race Signal AP is amended so that the Warning Signal shall be made not less than 30 minutes after “AP” is lowered ashore.
- 1.4 The Race Committee shall only be represented by the Race Officer or their nominated representative.
- 1.5 Rule 66 is amended so that on the last race day of the Series, a request to re-open a hearing shall be made within the protest time limit or within 30 minutes of being informed of the decision, whichever is the latest.
- 1.6 Pacer Class rules will not apply.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The Organising Authority reserves the absolute right to require any competitor to remove any material from their boat, equipment or clothing which may be in contravention of moral decency or competitive to any event sponsor. There will be no request for redress to any such ruling.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1 A team shall consist of a minimum of six and maximum of eight members and any combination of six team members may compete in any race.
- 3.2 All members of a team shall be either:
 - i. All bona fide students from one secondary school (School Team); or
 - ii. All bona fide students from no more than two secondary schools (Composite Team).
- 3.3 All team members shall be less than 19 years of age as at 31 December 2024.
- 3.4 **All competitors shall be fully paid members of an Australian Sailing Affiliated Club. A competitor may register for an [RPAYC Sail Pass](#) if not an existing member of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing.**
- 3.5 Eligible teams shall enter by submitting the application form together with payment via this link: www.rpayc.com.au/pittwater-school-teams-regatta
- 3.6 The entry fee is **\$300** per team including GST.
- 3.7 A damage deposit is applicable for each team and is **\$600** which may be accepted in the form of a signed credit card authorisation at registration. This applies to all teams.
- 3.8 **Entries close at 5pm Saturday 17th February 2024.** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the OA and a late entry fee of an additional \$50 will be payable for any late entries accepted.
- 3.9 The Organising Authority is targeting 8 teams. Priority will be given to teams training at the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club. Acceptance of teams will be based on order of registration. Where schools enter more than 2 teams, the acceptance of additional teams from that school will be at the discretion of the OA.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Event Schedule:

Sat 2 nd March 2024	
Registration	0800 – 0830
Competitor Briefing	0830
First Warning Signal	1000
Time of Last Warning Signal	1630
Presentation	ASAP after racing



5. EVENT FORMAT

- 5.1 The intended format of the event is:
- i. **Stage 1:** Round Robin
 - ii. **Stage 2:** Sail Offs (Refer D4.2 (b))
 - iii. **Stage 3:** Semi Finals
 - iv. **Stage 4:** Petit Final
 - v. **Stage 5:** Final

5.2 A detailed event format will be contained in the Sailing Instructions.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 Sailing Instructions will be available 24 hours before the first warning signal (refer to 4.1), via the event webpage and at the Sailing Office of the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club.

7. VENUE AND RACING AREA

7.1 Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club (RPAYC) is located at 16 Mitala St, Newport, NSW 2106.

7.2 Racing will take place in the waters of Pittwater, either to the north or south-east of Scotland Island. This is subject to change depending on conditions at the discretion of the OA.

8. THE COURSE

8.1 The course to be sailed will be a starboard digital N course, as depicted in Figure 1 below.

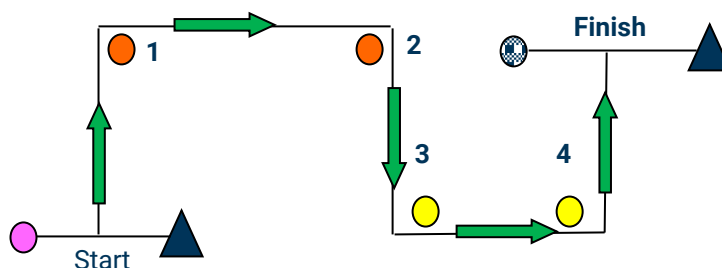


Figure 1 – Starboard Digital N course

9. PROTESTS

9.1 All races will be umpired in accordance with Appendix D2 Umpired Races.

10. PRIZES

10.1 The principal prize for First Place will be the 'Pittwater Cup'.

10.2 The 'Abbotsleigh Umpires Award' trophy will be awarded to a team at the discretion of the umpires and race committee.

10.3 The OA may award other prizes at its discretion.

11. AMENDMENTS & OFFICIAL NOTICEBOARD

11.1 Amended and Notices will be posted on the Official Noticeboard and on the Regatta website:

<https://rpayc.com.au/pittwater-school-teams-regatta/>

11.2 The Official Noticeboard will be located at the Jack Gale Centre.

12. RISK WARNING

This Risk Warning is issued, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002, to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club.



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:

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

The Organising Authority also warns 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 with the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

13.1 Competitors participate in the Series and its component Regattas entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, 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 Series.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1 A post-race BBQ will be held in the RPAYC Clubhouse.

14.2 Visitor parking is available at Crystal Bay Street Carpark, contact Reception at the boom-gate to gain access.

14.3 For further information please contact the RPAYC Sailing Office on: Phone 9998 3761 or Email sailing@rpayc.com.au