



2025 VX One Australian Championship

NOTICE OF RACE

15 – 19 JANUARY 2025

ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA); THE ROYAL PRINCE ALFRED YACHT CLUB (RPAYC), AND
THE AUSTRALIAN VX ONE CLASS ASSOCIATION INC.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 2 apply.
- 1.3. Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply
- 1.4. VX One Class Rules shall apply with the following additions:
 - (i) PFDs shall meet standard ISO 12402-5 Level 50 or overseas equivalent
 - (ii) There shall be a knife carried, and it shall be easily accessible to all crew members

2. COMMUNICATION

- 2.1. Official communications will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) on the Regatta website: <https://rpayc.com.au/vxone-class-nsw-australian-championship/>
3. Competitors / supporters may join the following WhatsApp group which will be used for other communications during the event <https://chat.whatsapp.com/FNK2b60EH113AWsbJWK7wG>

4. ADVERTISING

- 4.1. Competitors may be required to display the event sponsor's advertising throughout the period of the Regatta in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.
- 4.2. Regatta advertising, if any, will be provided by the OA.

5. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 5.1. Entry is open to all boats complying with the VX One Class Rules.
- 5.2. All Skippers shall be members of the VX One Class Association (see Class Rules C.2 Crew).
- 5.3. Entry available here: <https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/13/profile?tab=entry>

- 5.4.
- 5.5. All Competitors shall be members of a sailing club affiliated to an MNA and have a valid AS number. Temporary membership is available through SailPass on the RPAYC website.
- 5.6. Regatta entry fee for each boat is \$425 (including GST); \$330 for all-youth (U24) teams.
- 5.7. Entries and payment of the applicable fees shall be made online through the Regatta website.
- 5.8. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 5.9. Entries close at 1700hrs on Wednesday 8 January 2025. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the OA, subject to a late entry surcharge of \$150.
- 5.10. The entry fee includes launching, berthing and retrieval during the Regatta. Registered competitors get entry to the Welcome Function BBQ and the platter food at the Regatta Presentation. Additional tickets to these events can be bought in advance on the event website.

6. MEASUREMENT, REGISTRATION & INSPECTION

- 6.1. Details of pre-event measurement and registration procedures will be posted on the ONB.
- 6.2. During the Regatta, a boat may be subject to OA measurement or examination at any time.

7. SUBSTITUTION OF EQUIPMENT OR CREW

- 7.1. Substitution of equipment (damaged, lost or otherwise) or repairs (including hauling out) may be permitted in exceptional circumstances and only with prior written approval of the OA.
- 7.2. Changes of skipper or crew may be permitted in exceptional circumstances and only with prior written permission of the Race Committee.

8. SCHEDULE

Day	Event	Time
Wed 8 Jan	Entries Close (<i>late entry applies and crew declarations due</i>)	1700hrs
Wed 15 Jan	Boats arrive and launch	All day
	Equipment Check / Measurement	0900 – 1700hrs
	Registration	1300 – 1700hrs
	Competitor Briefing	1800hrs
	Welcome Function (<i>additional BBQ tickets \$30</i>)	To follow
Thurs 16 Jan	Equipment Check / Measurement (<i>by appointment only</i>)	0830 – 1000hrs
	Registration	0830 – 1030hrs
	Boats launched by	1030hrs
	First Warning	1200hrs
	Further racing	To follow ASAP

	Social function and daily presentation	After racing
Fri 17 Jan	First Warning	1200hrs
	Further racing	To follow ASAP
	Social function and daily presentation	After racing
Sat 18 Jan	First Warning	1200hrs
	Further racing	To follow ASAP
	Social function and daily presentation	After racing
Sun 19 Jan	First Warning	1100hrs
	Further racing	To follow ASAP
	No Warning signal after	1500 hrs
	Regatta Presentation (<i>additional tickets \$20</i>)	ASAP

- 8.1. A maximum of eleven (11) races will be conducted for the series.
- 8.2. Three (3) races are scheduled on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, however, to maintain the racing schedule, up to four (4) races can be sailed on these days. On Sunday, two (2) races are scheduled and a maximum of two (2) races may be sailed.

9. HAUL OUT

- 9.1. Boats shall not haul out on the morning of Thursday 16 January and shall remain in the water for the duration of the regatta from 1030hrs on Thursday 16 January.
- 9.2. Boats will be berthed in the area adjacent to the Hardstand facilities or on the marina as directed by the RPAYC Waterfront Office.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1. Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at Registration and posted on the event website.

11. COURSES

- 11.1. Courses shall be windward/leeward as described in the SIs.
- 11.2. The racing area will be on the waters of Pittwater.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1. 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 RRS18, shall be a Two Turns Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. 3 races are required to constitute a series.
- 13.2. When 3 or 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 13.3. When 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

- 13.4. When nine 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.

14. SUPPORT BOATS

- 14.1. All coach and support boats must register with the OA prior to the Competitor Briefing.
14.2. Bookings for berthing facilities for coach or support vessels shall be made with the RPAYC Waterfront Office prior to Wednesday 15 January. Coach and Support vessels will be subject to visitor berthing rates.
14.3. Coaches and other supporters shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the first Warning Signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day.

15. BERTHING, HARDSTAND & TRAILER PARKING [NP]

- 15.1. Boats will be allocated a space for the duration of the Regatta.
15.2. Berthing and hard stand facilities may be available one day prior to and one day post the scheduled Regatta dates at no additional fee.
15.3. Boat / trailer storage outside of these times is not included in regatta fees. Arrangements must be agreed through the RPAYC Waterfront Office (02 9998 3741 or waterfront@rpayc.com.au).
15.4. See NOR 19.
15.5. The OA will direct trailer parking.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS [NP]

- 16.1. All boats shall carry an operational marine band VHF radio. Boats must use the radio to report retirement from racing and may use the radio to request assistance in an emergency.
16.2. The Race Committee may broadcast on VHF Ch72 to advise competitors of general matters relating to racing. Any failure of, or defect in such a broadcast, will not be grounds for redress. Boats may request a repeat of any announcement by the Race Committee or whether an announcement has been made without infringing RRS41.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1. Daily / regatta presentations will be in Halyards Bar at the times set out in the schedule (see 8).
17.2. Daily prizes may be awarded.
17.3. At the regatta prize giving presentation perpetual and divisional prizes will be awarded, including first, second and third overall. Other prizes may be awarded.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1. It is the competitor's decision to enter the Event or to start and continue in any race. Competitors accept that their participation in the Event is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry in the Event competitors indemnify the Organising Authority their officers, members, staff and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Event.
18.2. The Organising Authority their officers, members, staff 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 the Event or howsoever arising in connection with the Event
18.3. Competitors' attention is drawn to RRS 3 – decision to Race.

19. INSURANCE

- 19.1. Each participating boat must be insured for the duration of the regatta with current third-party property insurance cover and a valid third-party Personal Liability Insurance cover of not less than AU\$10,000,000 (10 million dollars) for any one claim event in Australia.



19.2. Each Skipper and/or Co-Skipper is liable for any third-party property and personal injury claims.

20. RPAYC TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP

20.1. RPAYC Temporary membership is available to skippers/owners entered into the VX One NSW States and Australian National Championships hosted by the RPAYC.

20.2. Fee is \$320

20.3. RPAYC Temporary membership includes the following:

- (i) Mast up storage for a VX One on the Crystal Bay or Greenpoint Hardstand from 13 December 2024 until 20 January 2025.
- (ii) Access to the Crystal Bay Carpark.
- (iii) Limited member benefits and discounts throughout the period of membership.
- (iv) Crane access for launching and recovery for training/racing. (Crane induction required).
- (v) Race entry to club racing throughout the period of membership.

21. MEDIA

21.1. By lodging an entry, all competitors, including owners, gives permission to the OA for any photographs and/or video footage captured during the regatta of their boat and crew to be published in any media stream for editorial, publicity or advertising purposes.

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

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