



# DF65 Club Championship 2026

## NOTICE OF RACE

February - November 2026

Organising Authority: The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club (DF65 Fleet)

The DF65 Club Championship is a fleet racing series for DF65 radio controlled yachts that is open to eligible members of the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club.

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. Racing shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS) including Appendix E and the Australian Sailing (AS) Prescriptions.
- 1.2. The following documents apply: this Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 1.3. The following Racing Rules will be changed:
  - E3.1 The control area will be defined in the SIs or advised verbally by the Race Officer.
  - E3.2 The launch area will be specified in the SIs or advised verbally by the Race Officer.
  - E3.3 The course may be defined by the Race Officer prior to each Preparatory Signal.
  - E5.1 The Race Committee may appoint race observers.

### 2. ENTRY & ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. The DF65 Club Championship is open to financial members of the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club who are also members of the NSW Radio Yachting Association.
- 2.2. Guest sailors may be invited to sail on a race day of the DF65 Club Championships, but will not be included in the progressive point score or final series results.
- 2.3. Guest sailors must have a valid "SailPass" before racing. Register [here](#) for a SailPass.

### 3. ENTRY FEE

- 3.1. There is no entry fee for RPAYC's DF65 Club Championship.

### 4. COMMUNICATION & SIGNALS

- 4.1. All signals made ashore by the Race Officer will be verbal.
- 4.2. The starting sequence will be audio only (as prescribed in RRS 2025-2028 Appendix E).



## **5. SCHEDULE**

The DF65 Club Championship will be conducted over ten months, with racing held on the first Thursday of each month from February to November 2026 subject to the weather. Race Briefings will be in “Halyards” around 9.20am prior to the First Warning Signal at 10.00am.

## **6. RACE AREA & COURSE**

- 6.1. Racing will be in the vicinity of RPAYC including Rowland Reserve.
- 6.2. The courses will be windward / leeward.

## **7. SCORING**

- 7.1. The low point scoring system will be applied and competitors may be split into two fleets.
- 7.2. If two fleets are employed the Simple Heat Management System (SHMS) will be used.
- 7.3. After four races are completed on a race day, one discard will be applied.
- 7.4. After eight races are completed on a race day, two discards will be applied.
- 7.5. Completion of three monthly rounds will constitute a series.
- 7.6. If ten rounds are completed, a competitor’s two (2) worst monthly results will be discarded.
- 7.7. If nine rounds are completed, a competitor’s one (1) worst monthly result will be discarded.
- 7.8. If eight or fewer rounds are completed, there will be no discards and all rounds will count.
- 7.9. If a competitor volunteers to be Race Officer they will score four series points for that month.
- 7.10. The winner of each monthly round will score one series point, second two points etc.
- 7.11. The Club Champion will be the sailor with the lowest series point score after the final round.

## **8. PRESENTATIONS**

- 8.1. The series winner will be awarded the perpetual “RPAYC DF65 Club Champion” trophy.
- 8.2. Other awards may be made at the discretion of the Race Committee.

## **9. RISK STATEMENT**

- 9.1. RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a competitor’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.