



ISAF Team Racing World Championship 2009

31 January – 8 February 2009

Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club & South of Perth Yacht Club
Perth, WA, Australia

Organising Authority (OA): Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club & South of Perth Yacht Club
on behalf of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF)

NOTICE OF RACE

As approved by ISAF on 30 April 2008

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Championship will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* including appendix D.
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The Pacer Class rules shall not apply.
- 1.4 Rule 40.1 will be changed so that it applies at all times when afloat without the need to display flag Y.
- 1.5 Competitors may be subject to Doping Control Procedures under the provisions of rule 5 and ISAF Regulation 21.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING AND IDENTIFICATION

- 2.1 Advertising shall be Category C in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3.2.
- 2.2 While racing, competitors may be required to wear bibs displaying their national letters. The bibs will be provided by the OA. These will be worn outside all other clothing.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The Championship will include two Competitions – an **Open Competition** and an **Under-21 (U21) Competition**. Teams eligible for the U21 Competition will also be eligible for the Open Competition.
- 3.2 The Championship is open to Member National Authorities (MNAs) of the ISAF. An MNA may enter a maximum of three teams in total and a maximum of two teams in one competition. A geographical group of MNAs may, with the approval of ISAF, enter up to two teams in the Championship where those MNAs are not otherwise represented.
- 3.3 A team shall consist of three crews of two competitors each (for a total of six competitors). Each team shall include a minimum of one female competitor.

- 3.4** Any competitor must be a national of the country of the MNA that is entering him/her or which they represent in accordance with ISAF Regulation 17.5. However, this will not apply to crew substitutes when approved by the ISAF Technical Delegate.
- 3.5** The minimum age requirement is that a competitor must be over 15 years of age on the 31 December 2009.
- 3.6** The age requirement for the U21 Competition is that all team members must be under 21 years of age on 31 December 2009 – i.e. born 1989 or later.
- 3.7** A preliminary ‘Registration of Interest’ shall be supplied to the OA by 15 September 2008, together with a non-refundable deposit of AUD 1000 per team. This deposit however will be returned if the event is cancelled after this date.
- 3.8** The closing date for entries will be 1 December 2008. All entries must have attached the full entry fee. An entry form will not be valid without the written endorsement of the relevant MNA.
- 3.9** The OA in consultation with ISAF will accept entries from those teams that submitted Registration of Interest by the deadline as specified in 3.7. If there are entry places still available, these places will be allocated at the discretion of the OA and ISAF.
- 3.10** Teams that subsequently withdraw may be replaced later by a team from the reserve list. A refund of entry fee, less the deposit, will be made only when a replacement is found and a further fee received.
- 3.11** After 15 January 2009, team changes may only be made with the approval of the ISAF Technical Delegate.
- 3.12** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the OA and ISAF.
- 3.13** Each national team is required to bring two national flags of approximate size of 150x225cm and 40x60cm for use by the Race Committee ashore.
- 3.14** Guardian declaration forms will be required to be signed and handed to the Race Committee at registration in respect of any team member born after 31 January 1991 (under 18). These will be available in advance on the event website.
- 3.15** Medical forms will be required to be completed by all sailing team members and handed to Race Committee at registration. These will be available in advance on the event website.
- 3.16** The OA would welcome informal discussion with any MNAs considering an entry.

4 ELIGIBILITY CODE

The ISAF Eligibility Code will apply.

5 FEES

- 5.1** The Entry Fee is AUD 2500 per team of six sailors, plus AUD 500 for any accredited extra persons (e.g. Team Leader, Coach). All payments will be paid in Australian Dollars and transferred to the OA bank account. Payment details will be available on the event website and on the entry forms.
- 5.2** The Championship entry fee includes the use of boats as well as breakfast, lunch and a meal after racing on all days of the competition race days.

6 FORMAT OF RACING

- 6.1** The Open Competition will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 – one or more Round Robin series, which may be divided into Leagues

Stage 2 - Semi-Finals

Stage 3 - Finals

The detail format of racing will be published in the Sailing Instructions.

- 6.2** The U21 Competition will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 – one or more Round Robin series, which may be divided into Leagues
Stage 2 - Semi-Finals
Stage 3 - Finals

The detail format of racing will be published in the Sailing Instructions

- 6.3** There will be no separation of the racing between the Open Competition and the U21 Competition at the beginning of stage 1. All teams will sail and be ranked as if the Championship comprised just a single competition. The sailing instructions will provide information about the split into stage 2 for the U21 Competition.
- 6.4** From stage 2 onwards, if a country has two teams eligible for the semi-finals of one of the Competitions, only the higher placed team from that country will qualify for those semi-finals. This means that a country can win only one medal in each Competition, but a country can win a medal in both Competitions, and an U21 team can win a medal in both Competitions.
- 6.5** If the championship is closed after stage 1 but before stage 2 is completed only the higher ranked team from a country will be entitled to win a medal.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration and Crew Weighting: Saturday 31 January 2009 from 1000 to 1800.

7.2 Program:

<u>VENUE = SOPYC</u> Saturday 31 January	Arrival Day Registration Crew Weighing Pre Practice Briefing at 1200 Practice Sailing (afternoon)
Sunday 1 February	Practice Day Pre Practice Briefing at 0900 Practice Sailing Opening Ceremony
Monday 2 February	Championship Racing Day 1
Tuesday 3 February	Championship Racing Day 2
Wednesday 4 February	Championship Racing Day 3 Final Day Under 21 Competition Semi-Finals, Finals Under 21 Prize giving for Under 21
Thursday 5 February	Lay Day

<u>VENUE = RFBYC</u>	
Friday 6 February	Championship Racing Day 4
Saturday 7 February	Championship Racing Day 5
Sunday 8 February	Championship Racing Day 6 Final Day Semi-Finals, Finals Prize giving and Closing Ceremony

- 7.3** Practice time will be available in time slots allocated by the Race Committee from 1300 on Saturday 31 January 2009 and from 1000 on Sunday 1 February 2009.
- 7.4** Racing days are Monday 2 February 2009 to Sunday 8 February 2009 with a scheduled Lay Day (no sailing) on Thursday 5 February 2009.
- 7.5** The scheduled time of the main briefing is 1800 on Saturday 31 January 2009.
- 7.6** Daily briefings may take place prior to commencement of racing at the discretion of the Race Committee. The time of the briefing will be published on the Official Notice Board.
- 7.8** Daily debriefing sessions will be held following racing at the discretion of the Chief Umpire. These will be for competitors and Race Officials.

8 PROVIDED EQUIPMENT AND DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- 8.1** The regatta will be sailed in three-boat teams in Pacer Dinghies.
- 8.2** The minimum total crew weight (of helm and crew), determined prior to racing, shall be 130 kg, when wearing shorts and shirt. Crews that weigh less than the minimum total combined crew weight will be required to carry ballast on board whilst racing. Ballast shall be provided to competitors, to a maximum of 10kg. Such ballast shall be secured to the boat in a method acceptable to the Organising Authority.
- 8.3** There will be a damage deposit of AUD 1000 per team which must be paid with the entry fee or at registration. No team will be allowed to sail without the damage deposit being paid.
- 8.4** A team found by the Race Committee to be responsible for causing specific damage will be charged for such damage and the cost of the damage shall be deducted from their damage deposit.
- 8.5** The limit of damage liability for any one incident is AUD 1000.
- 8.6** In the event that deductions are made during the Championship from a damage deposit of up to a total of 50% of the original value, the deposit will be required to be restored to the original value before that team can continue racing.
- 8.7** Damage deposits will be refunded where no damage is attributable at the completion of the Championship.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1 The sailing instructions will be available for download on the event's website from 10 January 2009.

9.2 Questions received by email will be posted on the website with an answer until 20 January 2009, after which they will be posted on the official notice board of the event.

10 VENUE

The sailing venues will be defined as follows:

Practice sailing and racing on Championship Racing Days 1 – 3 will be on the Swan River in front of South of Perth Yacht Club

Racing on Championship Racing Days 4 and 5 and on the Final Day will be on the Swan River in front Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club

Attachment A shows the location of Perth, Western Australia.

Attachment B shows the location of the host yacht clubs.

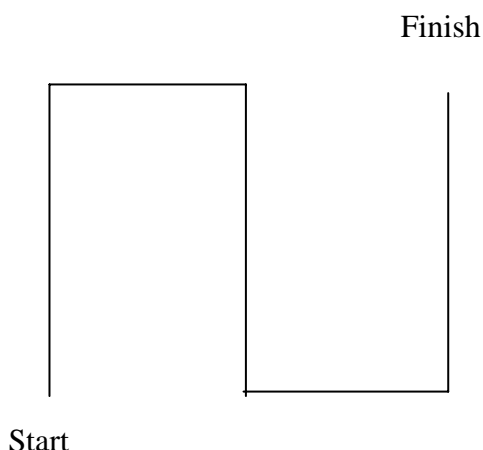
Attachment C shows the location of the racing areas.

Attachment D shows the aerial photographs of the host yacht clubs.

Attachment E provides general information about the venue and locations.

11 THE COURSES

The course will be a starboard hand 'S' course unless changed by the Race Committee.



12 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with rule 90(b) and Appendix N. Decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in rule 70.4.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

Coach boats will not be allowed. Coaches, team managers and any other team officials or persons accompanying teams will not be allowed on the race course, pontoons or floating jetties except as formally approved and notified in writing by the OA. No form of communication shall be made with teams while racing.

14 RIGHT OF USE NAME AND LIKENESS

Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any text, motion pictures, video and still pictures, as well as live, taped or filmed television of, or relating to, the Championship.

15 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- 15.1** The ISAF Team Racing Trophy will be awarded to the team winning the Open Competition.
- 15.2** Gold, Silver and Bronze ISAF Championship medals will be presented to the teams that finish first, second and third, respectively, in both competitions.
- 15.3** The Ciudad de Gandia Trophy will be awarded to the team winning the U21 Competition.
- 15.4** The MNA(s) of the winning teams shall be responsible for the return of the ISAF World Team Racing Trophies to ISAF at their own expense.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1** Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility.
- 16.2** Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk – see rule 4, Decision to Race.
- 16.3** The OA will not accept any liability for material damage or 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.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

Detailed information about the event, the host club and the venue may be found in the information only Attachments A, B, C, D and E and on the event website and club websites.

Event website from 1/7/2008 : www.worldteamracing.org
SOPYC : www.sopyc.com.au
RFBYC : www.rfbyc.asn.au

Enquiries or to lodge Event Registration Form attachment should be sent to

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