

2026 Tasmanian Secondary Schools Teams Racing Championship

Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th April 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority:

Sandy Bay Sailing Club

Venue

Sandy Bay Sailing Club
Sandy Bay, TAS



1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules
- 1.2 Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 (except SR Hull 4.01 Identification) will apply.
- 1.3 The Pacer Class rules shall not apply.
- 1.4 All races shall be umpired as per RRS Appendix D2.1.
- 1.5 A boat which capsizes after her starting signal, such that her masthead enters the water, shall retire immediately. This changes RRS 90.3 and Appendix D3.

2 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 2.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials [DP]
- 2.2 Sailors, Supporters, Coaches and School Staff must follow Sandy Bay Sailing Club Policies, in particular the [General Code of Conduct](#) and [Member Code of Behaviour](#)

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all Tasmanian Secondary Schools. All members of the team shall be on file students at the secondary school they represent and be current financial members of a sailing club that is affiliated with Australian Sailing, or hold a valid [SailPass](#) for the dates of the event.
- 3.2 Where secondary schooling is split into a junior and senior campus, school or college, a combined team from a maximum of two related campuses, schools or colleges shall be eligible to nominate. Team members shall be from year 7 to year 12.
- 3.3 Where related schools/colleges have separate male and female campuses, those related schools/colleges shall be eligible to nominate as a single team.
- 3.4 If schools within a region do not have enough sailors to form their own team, they may apply to the Organising Authority (OA) to form a composite team. Such teams will not be eligible for qualification to the Australian Schools Team Racing Championship in accordance with Section 13, or as appropriate.
- 3.5 A team may consist of up to eight members, of which any combination of six may sail subject to the minimum total combined crew weight being maintained.
- 3.6 There will be no weigh-in for teams. It is recommended that the total crew weight in each boat is no less than 100kg. This is the responsibility of the sailors to ensure that they are able to sail safely in the regatta.
- 3.7 Team coach boats are not allowed on the water from the time of the first warning signal until the finish of racing for the day.
- 3.8 Due to the nature of the event the Organising Authority reserves the right to accept a limited number of entries. To ensure as many schools as possible are involved, schools may enter a maximum of three teams, subject to each team being of an acceptable standard. If there is the ability to add more teams, the schools will be notified by March 23rd, 2026. See Entry Schedule below
- 3.9 Late entries from 30th March 2026 will only be accepted in exceptional circumstances, as decided by the Organising Authority, with a payment of a late entry fee of \$150.

3.10 Entry Schedule:

Date	
20 th March 2026	Entries close (max. 3 teams per school)
20 th March 2026	EOI for additional entries close
By 23 rd March 2026	Schools (that have provided EOI) notified if additional entries available
From 30 th March 2026	Late entries accepted, at the discretion of the OA, with payment of late fee of \$150

3.11 Eligible teams may enter via the online entry form on the regatta website [HERE](#).

4 FEES

- 4.1 The Entry Fee for the regatta is \$475 (AUD)
- 4.2 Late entry Fee \$150 (AUD) applied from 30th March
- 4.3 All fees are payable via the online entry form.
- 4.4 Damages incurred during the event or a training session will be invoiced directly to the school of the competitor/s responsible for the damage. If damages cannot be attributed to a specific team, the cost will be split evenly amongst all teams and invoiced to all schools.

5 REGATTA FORMAT

5.1 Qualifying Series

- 5.1.1 The OA intends on using the Swisse League System for the qualifying series. This will be confirmed in the Sailing Instructions
- 5.1.2 As many rounds as possible will be raced. Where a complete round of races cannot be completed no results will be awarded

5.2 Final Series

- 5.2.1 A final series may be run, of which the format will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions

6 SCHEDULE

Competitor Briefing	Sat	11 April 2026	0800
Teams Register	Sat	11 April 2026	0815
End of Registration	Sat	11 April 2026	0845
First teams on water	Sat	11 April 2026	0915
Warning Signal First Race	Sat	11 April 2026	0930
Un-rig and umpires debrief	Sat	11 April 2026	At conclusion of racing
Rig Boats	Sun	12 April 2026	0815
Briefing	Sun	12 April 2026	0830
First teams on water	Sun	12 April 2026	0850
Warning Signal First Race	Sun	12 April 2026	0900
Presentation	Sun	12 April 2026	At conclusion of racing

No racing will commence after 1700 on Sat 11th April. No racing will commence after 1600 on Sun 12th April.

7 PROVIDED EQUIPMENT AND DAMAGE EXPENSES

- 7.1 The regatta will be sailed in three-boat teams in Pacer-style dinghies.
- 7.2 The total cost of damage to any boat or equipment may be invoiced to school/s, per Section 3.4
- 7.3 **Sailors are asked to provide their own protest flags and bailers.**

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available prior to registration and will be posted on the event website [HERE](#), as well as emailed to participating schools. It will be the responsibility of each team to ensure they have access to a copy of the Sailing Instructions.

9 VENUE

- 9.1 The regatta site will be the Sandy Bay Sailing Club (SBSC).
- 9.2 The racing area will be on the Derwent River adjacent to the SBSC clubhouse.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 The Scoring System shall be in accordance with Appendix D, Team Racing Rules, as modified by the Sailing Instructions for the Swiss League system, if used.

11 COMMUNICATION

- 11.1 Coaches, team managers and any other team officials or persons accompanying teams will not be allowed on the racecourse unless asked by the organising authority.
- 11.2 No coaching related communication shall be made with teams while racing.
- 11.3 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make electronic voice or data transmissions and shall not receive electronic voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Perpetual trophies and Team trophies will be awarded as follows:

- 1st placed team

- 12.2 Medallions will be presented to:

- 1st placed open team
- 1st placed all-female team
- 2nd placed team
- 3rd placed team

- 12.3 An Umpires Award may be presented at the discretion of race officials.

13 SAFETY and DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1 Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility.
- 13.2 The Organising Authority strongly encourages all competitors to wear footwear at all times around the Club and whilst racing, and competitors choosing not to, do so against this advice and at their own risk.

- 13.3 All competitors shall supply their own approved lifejacket as specified in AS Special Regulation Part 2, "5.01.2 Lifejackets", and shall wear it at all times while afloat. Inflatable lifejackets shall not be used by competitors. Refer AS Special Regulation Part 2, 5.01.3.
- 13.4 Each team shall be supervised at all times by their team manager or a delegated responsible adult who is made known to the Organising Authority. The Organising Authority takes no responsibility for sailors who are not supervised by team managers. Teams who do not have an appointed adult to supervise them at all times will not be permitted to compete.
- 13.5 Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk - see RRS 3, Decision to Race.
- 13.6 The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material loss or damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the Championship. The Organising Authority encompasses everyone helping to run the event.

14 QUALIFICATIONS TO FURTHER EVENTS

- 14.1 The first, second and top all-girls placed teams in the championship will be offered places to compete in the 2026 Schools Teams Racing Nationals at Sandy Bay Sailing Club, Tas, from 8 to 12 July 2026
- 14.2 Should a school decline their place, the place may be offered to the next placed team in the championship, if another team from the same school hasn't already been offered a place.
- 14.3 Should more than three places be available for the Australian Schools Team Sailing Championship, the next teams to be offered places will be those highest ranked at the conclusion of the State Championship.

15 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 15.1 By entering the event a competitor and their guardians grant the host club the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion any image created during the event and all material related to the event without compensation.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1 Lunches are not included in the regatta fees and are the responsibility of each team. SBSC will have their canteen open for the event.
- 16.2 It is the responsibility of individual teams and competitors to arrange their own accommodation.
- 16.3 Schools may be allocated space for a shade tent or similar on the grassed area in front of the clubhouse with approval from the Organising Authority. Requests need to be emailed by 29th March 2026
- 16.4 Requests for more information please use the contacts below:

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