



NOTICE OF RACE

An invitation to skippers of eligible yachts to enter:

WMSC Shorthanded Series 2024

Note: Spinnakers Optional.

Each Yacht must make a binding nomination whether it will sail single or short-handed and spinnaker or non-spinnaker for the whole series before their first race in the series.

Race days:	Race 1:	4 Feb 2024
	Race 2:	12 May 2024
	Race 3:	23 June 2024
	Race 4:	21 July 2024
	Race 5:	8 Sept 2024
	Race 6:	3 Nov 2024
	Race 7:	8 Dec 2024

Sign on and Briefing in WMYC on race days at 9:00

Organising Authority: Wynnum Manly Sailing Club (wmsc@wynnummanlysailingclub.com.au)
www.wynnummanlysailingclub.com.au



Venue: Wynnum Manly Yacht Club, 510-542 Royal Esplanade, Manly
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1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024.
- 1.2 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).
- 1.3 The prescriptions of Australian Sailing (AS) will apply.
- 1.4 AS Special Safety Regulations Part 1, Category 5 applies, and entrants will need to provide an audited safety certificate.
- 1.5 Skippers need to be a member of Australian Sailing through an associated club.
- 1.6 Crew need to be a member of Australian Sailing through an associated club or apply for a SailPass online before the race for each day that they are racing which gives them temporary AS membership status for these days.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available online from 31 January 2023 or earlier at www.revolutionise.com.au/wmsc

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at www.wynnummanlysailingclub.com.au.
- 3.2 [NP] [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on at least channels 16 and 72.
- 3.3 [NP] [DP] While racing, except in an emergency or as detailed in the SI, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all other boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The series is open to all boats six metres or more in length.
- 4.2 Classes are defined as follows:

PHS	Boat must have a known PHS handicap, as determined by the race committee.	0.6 and above Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker option available for all boats, handicaps are adjusted accordingly.
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- 4.3 The Race Committee may create divisions within a Class and allocate boats to divisions within a Class at its sole discretion. The composition and allocation of boats into divisions shall not be subject to protest or grounds for a request for redress (amends RRS 60.1 and 62.1(a) and RRS 63.1 shall not apply).
- 4.4 Boats may enter the event by registering online at www.wynnummanlysailingclub.com.au
- 4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5. FEES

- 5.1 Entry fees are as follows:



Class	Series Entry Fee	Single Race Entry Fee
All Entries	\$65	\$15

6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 Single Handed - Skipper only, being 18 years of age or older.
6.2 Short Handed - Skipper and one additional crew where at least one of them is of the age of 18 years or older.

7. USE OF AUTOPILOTS

- 7.1 Use of autopilots is allowed (This changes RRS 52).

8. SCHEDULE

Date	Event	Time / Warning Signal
Race 1 – 4 Feb	Sign on and briefing	9:00 – 9:30
	Warning signal	10:55
Race 2 – 12 May	Sign on and briefing	9:00 – 9:30
	Warning signal	10:55
Race 3 – 23 June	Sign on and briefing	9:00 – 9:30
	Warning signal	10:55
Race 4 – 21 July	Sign on and briefing	9:00 – 9:30
	Warning signal	10:55
Race 5 – 8 Sept	Sign on and Briefing	9:00 – 9:30
	Warning signal	10:55
Race 6 – 3 Nov	Sign on and briefing	9:00 – 9:30
	Warning signal	10:55
Race 7 – 8 Dec	Sign on and briefing	9:00 – 9:30
	Warning signal	10:55

9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION AND MEASUREMENTS

- 9.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of audited safety certificate for Cat 5 or higher category.
9.2 Boats may be inspected at any time.

10. VENUE

- 10.1 WMYC: 510 – 542 Royal Esplanade, Many, Qld 4179.

11. LOCATION

- 11.1 The location of the regatta is Moreton Bay: South of the Main Channel, West of the Rous Channel and North of Coochiemudlo Island.

12. COURSES

The courses used will be those in the Manly Combined Clubs and the Wynnum Manly Sailing Club course books, or as varied by the Principal Race Officer (PRO). They shall be set on race day with the intention of a 3-to-4-hour race duration.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty in rule 44.1 is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.

14. SCORING



- 14.1 The scoring system is as follows: The low points system shall be used.
- 14.2 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, except where four or five races are run, she may exclude her single worst score and where all six races are run, she may exclude her worst two scores.
- 14.3 Two races are required to complete a series.
- 14.4 Rule A5.3 applies.

15. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 15.1 [NP] [DP] Support person vessels shall be marked with the WMSC Pennant.
- 15.2 [NP][DP] Support person vessels shall declare themselves to the race committee prior to the warning signal for a race.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat'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. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**
- 16.2 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 event.
- 16.3 All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk and responsibility. The organising authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat, whose entry is accepted, or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

17. [ND] [DP] SAFETY

- 17.1 A decision to postpone, cancel or abandon any race can be made by the Race Committee.
- 17.2 Races will not be started when an official gale warning or stronger is current.
- 17.3 All crew members shall wear personal flotation devices during the race when on deck.
- 17.4 All crew members shall use ASSR category 4 compliant tethers when wind strength is above 25 knots.
- 17.5 Boats are not to impede commercial shipping.
- 17.6 All marine incidents must be reported to the Race Officer, in addition to regulatory requirements to report marine incidents to Maritime Safety Queensland.

18. INSURANCE

- 18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid comprehensive or third-party liability insurance with a minimum Legal Liability cover of \$10,000,000 per event or the equivalent. All entrants will be required to provide a copy of their current insurance certificate.

19. PRIZES

- 19.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

PHS Division 1	first	second	Third
PHS Division 2	first	second	Third



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20. FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1 For further information please contact wmsc@wynnummanlysailingclub.com.au

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