



NOTICE OF RACE

2024 S80 Victorian State Championships 12 - 14 January 2024

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The Royal Melbourne Yacht Club (RMYS) as the Organising Authority, on behalf of the S80 Association of Victoria, invites entries of eligible boats to participate in the S80 Victorian State Championships to be held on Port Phillip Bay from 12 - 14 January 2024.

1. Rules

The races will be governed by: -

- 1.1. The rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2. The current Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 1
- 1.3. The S80 VIC Class Rules and S80 Championship Rules are available at <https://s80.org/>
- 1.4. The requirements of the Port of Melbourne Corporation (POMC)
- 1.5. Any required protocols to ensure compliance with Government COVID-19 regulations and guidance.

Any actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.2 (b) and 62.1.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. Races are open to all boats on the S80 Association of Victoria Yacht Register, who have submitted a current AS Special Regulation Equipment Audit Form (Category 6) to their home club and comply with the published Class and Championship Rules.
- 2.2. Each competitor shall be a member of Australian Sailing through an affiliated yacht club.
- 2.3. Eligible boats enter by completing the online entry form at <https://www.rmvs.com.au/sailing/s80/s80-documents-results-start-sheets/>. Entry fees must be made to the S80 Association separately. Entries will close at 17:00 on Tuesday 9 January 2024.

3. Safety

- 3.1. A compliant and functional marine grade VHF radio shall be carried and monitored, for all races. This modifies AS Special Regulations sub-clause 3.25.
- 3.2. Lifejackets shall be worn at night and at times of heightened risk. Marine Safety Victoria regulations regarding Life Jackets shall always apply.
- 3.3. Boats not fitted with an inboard engine shall carry an outboard motor which shall at all times be operational and capable of driving the boat in smooth water at a speed exceeding 4 knots.
- 3.4. When not in use the motor may be carried and secured so it cannot move below decks or may be mounted in the normal operating position.
- 3.5. A minimum of 5 litres of fuel shall be carried in the stern locker in an approved container, which can be connected to the motor. Boats with an inboard engine shall carry a minimum of 5 litres of fuel in their tank.
- 3.6. Boats failing to undertake any of the above (Section 2 and 3) will be scored 'Did Not Compete' DNC without hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

4. Equipment Inspection

- 4.1. Each boat shall have a valid weight certificate. Provision for weighing boats can be made by arrangement with the S80 Association of Victoria Race Secretary, well before the regatta.
- 4.2. Sails to be used shall have been measured and signed by an Association Measurer prior to the event. To arrange measurement please contact Luke Reinehr (0413 866 611) or Bas Huibers (0414 454 377).
- 4.3. Boats may be inspected and/or re-measured at any time, at which time the owner or representative shall be available and present.

5. Fees

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$375 per boat.
- 5.2 The late entry fee is an additional \$50 per boat.
- 5.3 In addition to the entry fee, each boat is requested to purchase at least three tickets to the S80 dinner at \$40 pp, at the time of entry. Additional tickets can be purchased from the S80 Association directly.

6. Schedule and Warning Signal/Start Times

On-Shore Schedule

Date	Time	Event
Friday 12th January	10:00	Event Briefing
Friday 12th January	18:30	BBQ
Saturday 13th January	18:00	S80 Drinks / Dinner
Sunday 14th January	After Racing	Trophy Presentation

Race Schedule

Date	Races Scheduled	First Warning Signal	Course Type
Friday 12 th January 2024	2	11:25	Laid Course
Saturday 13 th January 2024	3	09:55	Laid Course
Sunday 14 th January 2024	2	09:55	Laid Course

7. Venue

Racing shall be conducted on the waters of Port Phillip.

8. Courses

The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions

9 Penalty System

- 9.1 The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or RRS 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty".
- 9.2 In RRS 44.2 insert after the first sentence: "However, if Mark 1a (spreader mark) is set, a boat may take a penalty for an incident in the zone around Mark 1 or on the leg between Mark 1 and Mark 1a, as soon as possible after leaving the zone around Mark 1a".
- 9.3 A National Jury will be appointed in accordance with the Australian Sailing prescriptions to RRS 70.5(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

10 Scoring

- 10.1 A maximum of seven (7) races are scheduled.
- 10.2 Three (3) races are required to be constituted a series;
- 10.3 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her r ace scores.
- 10.4 When from five (5) to seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

11 Support Boats

- 11.1 All support boats, including boats containing team leaders, coaches and other support personnel, shall keep a minimum of 100m clear of any competing boat in the course area between the warning signal and the finish time of the last boat in each race. This does not include official boats.

Support boats shall familiarise themselves with RRS 37, Search and Rescue Instructions.

12. Haul Out Restriction.

- 12.1 All boats shall be in the water before 9:30 on the day of the first scheduled race.
- 12.2 All boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

13. Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools.

Underwater breathing apparatus (including snorkels), plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats after 1030 hours on the day of the first scheduled race, except with the prior written permission of the Race Committee.

14. Disclaimer of Liability

- 14.1 Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.
- 14.2 RMYS will not accept any liability for the material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after any race, series, or event.

15. Insurance

- 15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with currently valid third-party liability insurance of not less than \$10,000,000.00 A certificate of insurance shall be lodged with the RMYS office prior to a boat's first race.

16. Prizes

- 16.1 The following prizes will be awarded.

First Overall	Perpetual trophy and engraved trophy
Second Overall	Engraved trophy
Third Overall	Engraved trophy
Most Improved Performance	Perpetual trophy and engraved trophy
Second Most Improved Performance	Engraved trophy
Third Most Improved Performance	Engraved trophy
Masters Trophy	Best skipper overall, with 5 or more entries and not a winner of the State Titles, Most Improved or Masters Trophy in the last 5 years.
Rookie Award	Best overall; with at least one crew member under the age of 30 (at the time of the start of the championships) who started in all races conducted.

- 16.2. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee

17 Rubbish

All rubbish generated on boats should be taken to the clubhouse and placed in the appropriate bins in the garbage area. Both recycle and general waste bins are provided. No garbage is to be placed in the bins located on the Marina.

18 Further Information

S80 Association Victoria – David Judge –President -davidjudge1999@hotmail.com

RMYS Boating Administrator – Ann Rogers – boating@rmys.com.au

