



NOTICE OF RACE



2018 S80 Victorian Championship 12 - 14 January 2018

Hobsons Bay Yacht Club (HBYC) as the Organizing Authority, on behalf of the S80 Association of Victoria, invites entries for the 2018 S80 Victorian Championship to be held on the waters of Port Phillip in the vicinity of Hobson Bay Yacht Club on 12-14 January 2018.

1. Rules

- 1.1 The 2018 S80 Victorian Championship will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA) Part 1, Sections 1-6.
- 1.2 Boats shall comply with the measurement requirements of the Class Rules and Championship Rules of the S80 Association of Victoria. A copy of these rules can be obtained via the website www.s80.org or by contacting the Race Secretary.
- 1.3 The S80 Association "Owner Driver" Rules, as specified in the S80 Association of Victoria Championship Rules, shall apply.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The Regatta is open to all boats of the S80 class that comply with the Class Rules of the S80 Association of Victoria and have a valid weight certificate. Provision for weighing boats can be made by arrangement with the S80 Association of Victoria Race Secretary. Any owner requiring boat weighing should advise the S80 Association Race Secretary well before the series. Check weighing may be ordered by the S80 Association of Victoria at any time during the regatta.
- 2.2 Sails to be used shall have been measured and signed by an Association Measurer prior to the Regatta. Sails may be measured during Registration but only by prior arrangement directly with an official measurer. Arrangements should be made to have any new sails measured well before the series.
- 2.3 The Race Committee may have any boat or sails re-measured at any time during the series. A boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the Race Committee.
- 2.4 Owners of all boats shall, as part of the entry form, declare to the Organizing Authority that a Category 6 Safety Declaration has been lodged with their home club confirming the boat's compliance with YA Addendum A, YA Special Regulations, Part 1.
- 2.5 Each competitor shall be a member of Yachting Australia through an affiliated yacht club.
- 2.6 All S80 skippers shall, prior to the start of the first race, be financial members of the S80 Association of Victoria.
- 2.7 Each boat shall be helmed throughout the series by the skipper(s) nominated on the entry form unless a written request is made to the Race Committee stating the reason for requesting a change of skipper. Written approval must be granted by the Race Committee prior to any change of skipper.
- 2.8 No distinction shall be made between the iron and the lead keel versions of the S80.
- 2.9 Each race of the series shall be sailed with a crew number not exceeding five, including the skipper.
- 2.10 Race entries will be called for and received by HBYC via the online Top Yacht Entry system. The S80 Association will collect race entry fees separately. The closing date for entries is 1700 hrs Friday 5th January, 2018.
- 2.11 Entries may be accepted after the closing date at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

3. Fees

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$280 (including GST) per boat.
- 3.2 In addition to the entry fee, each boat is requested to purchase at least 3 tickets to the S80 function to be held on Saturday 14th January @ \$30 per head. Additional tickets can be purchased directly from HBYC.
- 3.3 All skippers are encouraged to resolve the number of tickets required for the Saturday night function and purchase them at the time of paying the race entry fee.
- 3.4 Late entries – For boats entering after 1700hrs on 5th January 2018, in addition to the standard entry fee, a late fee of \$50 shall apply.

4. Schedule

4.1 On-Shore Schedule

Date	Time	Event
Friday 12 January 2018	1000 Hrs	Regatta Information Session for competitors
Friday 12 January 2018	After Racing	Racing debrief / Casual BBQ
Saturday 13 January 2018	1830 Hrs	S80 Function
Sunday 14 January 2018	After Racing	Trophy Presentation at HBYC

4.2 Race Schedule

Race	Race type	Date	Warning Signal	Start
1	Laid course	Friday 12 January	11:55	12:00
2	Long distance	Friday 12 January	ASAP after race 1	
3	Laid course	Saturday 13 January	09:55	10:00
4	Laid course	Saturday 13 January	ASAP after race 3	
5	Laid course	Saturday 13 January	ASAP after race 4	
6	Laid course	Sunday 14 January	09:55	10:00
7	Laid course	Sunday 14 January	ASAP after race 6	

- 4.3 The warning signal for back to back races will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race
- 4.4 No warning signal will be made after 1500hrs on Sunday 14 January 2018, subject to the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 4.5 There shall be no re-sails after 1500hrs on Sunday 14 January 2018.

5. Safety Requirements

- 5.1 YA Addendum A, Special Regulations Category 6 shall apply.
- 5.2 Marine VHF radios capable of transmitting on Channels 16 & 71 shall be carried on all boats.
- 5.3 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.
- 5.4 When not in use the motor may be carried and secured so it cannot move below decks or mounted in the normal operating position.
- 5.5 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 fuel tank.
- 5.6 Anchor, anchor chain, and anchor warp conforming to YA Special Regulations must be carried in the anchor well in the bow at all times during racing. Boats and their equipment including safety equipment may be subject to random inspection, at the discretion of the Race Committee.

6. Sailing Instructions

- 6.1 The race committee shall publish written sailing instructions that conform to rule J2.
6.2 Sailing Instructions will be made available on the website www.s80.org. Further copies will be available at Registration at HBYC.

7. Venue

Racing will be on the waters of Port Phillip in the vicinity of Hobson Bay Yacht Club.

8. The Courses

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

9. Scoring System

- 9.1 Seven (7) races are scheduled of which 3 are required to be completed to constitute a series.
9.2 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes rule A2.

10. Penalty System

For infringements of Class rules 4, 8 and 9 the penalty may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

11. Support Boats

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, except when requested to assist by the Race Committee. This does not include official boats provided by the S80 Association of Victoria or HBYC.

12. Haul-Out Restrictions

All boats shall be in the water before 1000hrs on the day of the first scheduled race, and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

13. Radio Communications

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions whilst racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and other communication devices.

14. Trophies

The following trophies will be awarded:

Victorian Championship	
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	Engraved trophy
Third Most Improved	Engraved trophy
Winner of the long distance race	"The Law Firm" Perpetual trophy
Masters Trophy	Perpetual trophy for highest average crew age
Ronstan Award	A gift for significant contribution to the S80 class
Rookie Award	As decided by the S80 Assoc.

15. Disclaimer of Liability

- 15.1 All those taking part in this regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility and are responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted and for the sufficiency and adequacy of its equipment. Neither Hobson Bay Yacht Club nor the S80 Association of Victoria, their servants or volunteers shall accept liability or responsibility whatsoever for death or any personal or material damage sustained by participants before, during or after the regatta.
- 15.2 Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4 which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone".

16. Insurance

- 16.1 All boats competing in the 2018 S80 Victorian Championship shall have current insurance cover in respect of physical damage and third party liability cover with an indemnity limit of not less than AUD\$10,000,000 or equivalent thereof in any other currency for any accident.
- 16.2 All owners/competitors who sign the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.
- 16.3 Competitors may be required to produce evidence of such insurance at registration and any competitor not holding this cover may have their entry rejected or cancelled.

17. Accommodation

Williamstown and surrounding suburbs has a wide range of accommodation from 5 star hotels and apartments on the waterfront to comfortable cabins in several caravan parks all within 5 kilometres of the Club.

Further information about accommodation can be obtained from

<http://www.hbyc.org.au/>

18. Further Information

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