

# Western Australian Sharpie Sailing Association



**WA State Championships**  
23<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> November 2024  
22<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025



## NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority  
East Fremantle Yacht Club (EFYC) & Mounts Bay Sailing Club (MBSC)  
in conjunction with the  
Western Australian Sharpie Sailing Association.



*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) (2021-2024).
- 1.2 Australian Sailing Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2 Off the Beach Boats will apply. It will be the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that personal flotation devices comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in Special Regulations 5.01 Personal Flotation Devices.
- 1.3
  - 1.3.1 RRS 42.3(c) (1) is changed in accordance with the Class Association By-Laws, Part B, Clause 20(1) to allow "On a free leg of the course when surfing (rapidly accelerating down the leeward side of a wave), the Yacht's crew may, in order to initiate surfing or planing, pump the sheet, boom or guy, controlling any sail a maximum of three (3) times for each wave or gust of wind."
  - 1.3.2 Devices which indicate remotely or transmit or correlate data about wind direction, wind speed, boat speed or location shall be prohibited in accordance with the Class Association By-Laws, Part B, Clause 20(2).
- 1.4 Changes to RRS penalties are detailed in Clause 10.
- 1.5 The Sailing Instructions. When there is conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions the rules of the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

### 2 ADVERTISING/BOW NUMBERS

- 2.1 Competitor advertising will be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.2 The organising authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by a boat or competitor that is in conflict with an event sponsor of the laws of the Western Australian or Australian Governments.
- 2.3 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority. If this rule is broken World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]
- 2.4 Bow numbers if required will be provided by the Organising Authority.

### 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Australian Sharpie Class that comply with the Rules of the Class Association. Crews must be financial members of their State Division of the Australian Sharpie Sailing Association, and a yacht club affiliated with Australian Sailing. WA Sharpie registrations can be completed online: [Registration - Sharpie Association of WA](#) Membership can be completed for the following categories.

#### 3.2 WA SHARPIE ASSOCIATION REGISTRATION

Registration Options are as follows:

Boat Registration + Skipper (boat owner)	\$100
(option to add crew membership as well)	\$50 per crew member
Country Boat Registration + Skipper (boat owner)	\$85
Sailing Membership	\$50
Junior Sailing Membership	\$30
Associate Membership (Social Membership)	\$20

3.3 Eligible boats may enter by following this link [Register Here - WA Sharpie State Championships](#) Entries and fees (\$30per boat) must be received prior to 5pm on the 18th of November 2024

3.4 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organising authority and may be subject to payment of a “late entry fee” (refer to “Fees” below).

### 4 FEES

4.1 Required fees are as follows:

Membership and Registration to the Sharpie Sailing Association (WA) includes Race Entry Fees as per the Entry Process outlined in clause 3.3.

4.2 Late entries after 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024 will incur an additional fee of \$15 per boat.

### 5 SCHEDULE

5.1

Date	Location	Time or First	Event Warning Signal
Sat 23rd Nov	EFYC	1200	Briefing
	EFYC/Mosman Bay	1400	Race Session 1
	EFYC Commodore Bar	1800	Meals
Sun 24th Nov	EFYC	1000	Race Session 2
	EFYC	1300	Race Session 3
	EFYC	ASAP After Racing	Progressive Results, Meals
Sat 22nd Feb	MBSC	1430	Briefing
	MBSC	1600	Race Session 1
	MBSC	1800	Meals
Sun 23rd Feb	MBSC	1000	Race Session 2
	MBSC	1300	Race Session 3
	MBSC	ASAP After Racing	Presentations, Meals

### 6 MEASUREMENTS

6.1 Each boat shall hold a current and valid measurement certificate that shall be provided at the request of the organising authority.

- 6.2 Any boat may be inspected by an organising authority appointed measurer at any time to ensure compliance with the class rules. Boats notified of measurement inspections shall follow the instructions of the race committee.
- 6.3 Any new sails or equipment not previously measured may be measured by directly contacting WA Association President 0424 144 857 to arrange no later than 12pm on the 1st of November 2024 with the final measuring to take place at EFYC on the 23rd Nov 2024. (Subject to availability of class measurer)

## **7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 7.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration or online at <https://www.sharpies.com.au/western-australia/>

## **8 VENUE/RACING AREA**

- 8.1 23 & 24<sup>th</sup> November 2024- EFYC Racing will be conducted on EFYC Blackwall Reach & Mosman Bay
- 8.2 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 – MBSC Racing will be conducted on Melville Water East or Matilda Bay

## **9 THE COURSES**

- 9.1 The courses to be sailed will be as described in the sailing instructions.

## **10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two - Turns Penalty is replaced by the One – Turn Penalty.
- 10.2 Appendix T, Arbitration may apply, except as changed by NOR 10.3.
- 10.3 T1 (b) 30% Scoring Penalty is changed to 20% Scoring Penalty.

## **11 SCORING**

- 11.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A4 will apply.
- 11.2 A minimum of four (4) races will be completed to constitute a series.
- (a) When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from six (6) to eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When nine (9) or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.

## **12 SUPPORT BOATS**

- 12.1 Coach and support boats shall register before racing commences by completing the form available at registration.
- 12.2 Each coach/support boat is required to have a working VHF radio tuned into a frequency designated by the Race Committee and be available to act as safety boats as directed by the Race Committee if required.
- 12.3 Unless so directed by the Race Committee, registered coach boats shall not enter the course area, starting area, finishing area or go closer than 100 metres to any boat racing between the

Preparatory signal and until the last boat finishes or the Race Committee signals a postponement or abandonment. [DP]

### **13 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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

### **14 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

14.1 In submitting the entry form, all competitors, parents, legal guardians and custodians provide their permission for all photographs, video, TV and sound recordings to be the property of the organisers and used for any purpose including public viewing and posting on the event website without compensation.

### **15 PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

#### **GOLDEN OLDIES**

Awarded to the first boat in the State Championships with a combined crew age of 150+ years.

#### **PETER CHAPPELL MASTERS TROPHY**

Skipper in the State Championships aged 60 or over (on the day of the 1st heat).

#### **STANBURY JUNIOR STATE CHAMPION**

Awarded to the first skipper in the State Championships aged 21 or under (on the day of the 1st heat).

#### **WOMEN'S STATE CHAMPION**

Awarded to the first woman skipper in the State Championships.

#### **STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

1st	ALAN O'GRADY PERPETUAL
2nd	KELLY BROWN PERPETUAL
3rd	TREVOR DATE PERPETUAL

#### **STATE CHAMPION CREW TROPHIES LYALL**

#### **GERRING TEAMS TROPHY**

Awarded to the best performed Club in the State Championships based on the lowest point score of the best three boats.

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

### **16 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication. [DP]

**17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing 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 regatta

**18 INSURANCE**

18.1 All boats competing in the regatta shall be insured with third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD 5,000,000 per incident.

18.2 All competitors who submit the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

18.3 Competitors may be required to provide details and evidence that they have such insurance in place at the time of entry.

**19 AMENDMENTS TO NOTICE OF RACE**

Any amendment to the notice of race will be posted on the event website [www.sharpies.com.au/western-australia](http://www.sharpies.com.au/western-australia) and/or posted at the EFYC or MBSC sailing offices no later than two hours before each days scheduled racing.

**20 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact:

**WA Sharpie President**

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Event website [www.sharpies.com.au/western-australia](http://www.sharpies.com.au/western-australia)

**21 ORGANISING AUTHORITY CONTACT**

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