



INTERNATIONAL DRAGON CLASS NSW CHAMPIONSHIP

1 – 3 December 2017



The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS) in conjunction with the International Dragon Class NSW Inc.

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 All races shall be governed by:
- the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing as amended
 - the 2017-2021 Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1, Category 7, and
 - the Rules of the International Dragon Class Association.
- 1.2 If there is conflict between rules or regulations, other than RRS, the Sailing Instructions will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

1 ADVERTISING

- 1.1 The ISAF Advertising Code regulation 20 will apply.
- 1.2 The Organising Authority may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3 (d) & (i).

2 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1 The Regatta is open to all boats in the International Dragon Class.
- 2.2 All owners and helmsman shall be financial members of the Australian International Dragon Association.
- 2.3 All competitors helming or crewing a boat while racing shall conform to RRS 46.
- 2.4 The helmsman nominated on the entry form shall be deemed to be in charge of the boat and no change of helmsman shall be made without the prior written consent of the Race Committee.
- 2.5 Australian Sailing Special Regulations Equipment Compliance – Category 7 shall apply. A copy shall be submitted with the attached entry form, if not already held by the RSYS Sailing Office.
- 2.6 Where there is a conflict between the Class or Association Rules, and the Australian Sailing Special Regulations, whichever is the more stringent, shall apply.
- 2.7 Entries and payment of the applicable fees shall be made using the online entry form available from the regatta section of the RSYS website or by using the following link <http://www.jmacphs.com/Yacht/RaceEntry/home.cfm?cid=16>
- 2.8 Entries must be received no later than 1700hrs on Monday 27 November 2017. Late entries *may* be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority, subject to a late entry surcharge.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The Regatta Entry Fee is \$180.00. Late Entry fee is \$220.00.
- 3.2 All boats not already block entered in the RSYS Mini Regatta Series are required to pay an additional \$75 Mini Regatta casual entry fee.

4 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Race	Scheduled Warning Signals
Friday 1 December	Race 1	not before 1230 hours
Friday 1 December	Race 2	ASAP after race 1
Friday 1 December	Race 3	ASAP after race 2
Saturday 2 December	Race 4	not before 1230 hours
Saturday 2 December	Race 5	ASAP after race 4
Saturday 2 December	Race 6	ASAP after race 5
Sunday 3 December	Race 7	not before 1230 hours
Sunday 3 December	Race 8	ASAP after race 7
Sunday 3 December	Race 9	ASAP after race 8

- 5 MEASUREMENT**
Only measured equipment may be used for the Dragon NSW Championship and spot checks may be carried out.
- 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
Will be available for collection from the RSYS Sailing Office from Friday 10 November 2017 or can be down loaded from the RSYS website.
- 7 RACING AREA**
Races shall be conducted on Port Jackson, in the area between Kirribilli Point and South Head.
- 8 COURSES**
The Course configuration will be Windward/Leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9 PENALTY SYSTEM**
Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 10 SCORING**
10.1 The Low-Points Scoring System as set out in Appendix A of the RRS will apply.
10.2 The series shall consist of 9 races, 8 will count.
10.3 In the event of 8 or less races being completed, all will count.
10.4 A minimum of 3 completed races will constitute the Series.
- 11 SUPPORT VESSELS**
11.1 Team leaders, Coaches and other support personnel or boats will not approach closer than 50 metres to any boat racing from the Warning Signal until the last boat in that race has finished, without the approval of the Race Committee.
11.2 The penalty for failing to comply with 13.1 above may be the disqualification of all boats associated with the infringing party, parties, boat and or boats. (Addition to RRS 60.2)
- 12 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS**
12.1 All boats may haul out without restriction.
- 13 TROPHIES AND PRIZES**
13.1 The trophy for the winner will be presented at the NSWIDA end of Season Dinner.
13.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the NSWIDA committee.
13.3 The awarding of any prizes shall be subject to any decisions from outstanding protests and appeals.
- 14 SAIL NUMBERS**
14.1 A boat shall sail under the sail number advised on its entry form.
14.2 A boat shall display identical sail numbers on all its sails.
14.3 The use of any sail displaying a different number to that on the entry form must be notified, in writing to the Sailing Office not later than two (2) hours before the start of the race.
14.4 A boat which displays an incorrect sail number and which has not notified the Sailing Office in accordance with 16.3 above may be subject to protest by the Race Committee.
- 15 RESPONSIBILITIES**
15.1 **Risk Warning** - The Organising Authority advises owners, skippers and anyone who participates in yachting events conducted by the Organising Authority that participation in the sport of yachting, whether racing or otherwise, can be dangerous and can result in harm, personal injury and property damage. The Organising Authority is not responsible for any harm or injury suffered by any person in any yachting event conducted by the Organising Authority of whatever nature. All participants acknowledge that competing in yachting events may be dangerous and may result in harm or personal injury and participate in such events aware of such dangers and voluntarily accept any risk or harm.
15.2 **Competitors Declaration** - It is the responsibility of owners and skippers to ensure that each boat nominated on the entry form complies with the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS).
All competitors who sign the entry form in doing so have made a declaration to the Organising Authority that the nominated boat will at all times while racing comply with the requirements of Australian Sailing and the Sailing Instructions, including:
(a) Adequate current Third Party Property Liability Insurance and Third Party Personal Liability cover of not less than \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars) for any one incident. All insurance shall be maintained during the period of racing.
(b) the person who signs and lodges the entry form with the Organising Authority warranting to the Organising Authority that he or she will draw the attention of any person who competes on the yacht the subject of the entry form in any event conducted by the Organising Authority of the risk warning above;
(c) the person who signs and lodges this entry form with the Organising Authority acknowledging receipt of the risk

warning above and releasing the Organising Authority from any claim or liability whatsoever for any harm or personal injury suffered by him, or by any person claiming through him, in any event conducted by the Organising Authority;

15.3 **Responsibilities**

- (a) All those taking part in these races do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to RRS 4 which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". The RSYS, sponsors, any Class Association, the Race Committee and other race officials are not responsible for any damage or injury either afloat or ashore.
- (b) The RSYS, sponsors, any Class Association, the Race Committee and other race officials are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- (b) All those taking part in these races are reminded of their obligations as set out in the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Clause 1.02 Owner's Responsibility.

16 COMMERCIAL SHIPPING

- 16.1 Yachts shall not interfere with the commercial or defense shipping of the port. The attention of skippers is drawn to NSW Maritime Authority regulations regarding the right of way of vessels entering or leaving port, ferries displaying orange diamonds and vessels engaged in towing. NSW Maritime regulations specify "*Priority over Sail – some Commercial Ferries on Sydney Harbour display an orange diamond shape which grants priority of way over sailing vessels. Do not attempt to cross the path of an approaching ferry displaying this signal*".
- 16.2 Boats found to have interfered with commercial shipping may be subject to action by the race committee in accordance with RRS 60.2.
- 16.3 All yachts must abide by traffic directions of NSW RMS Boating Service Officers. Any yacht directed to stop or alter course by NSW RMS Boating Service Officers as a result of an anticipated breach of the above rules, incident/collision or complaint shall do so immediately.
- 16.4 Any yachts reported by NSW RMS as having contravened NSW Maritime regulations shall be disqualified without a hearing. (amends RRS 63.1).

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 17.1 Please also note that preference parking will be given to members in the Squadron's carpark.
- 17.2 **NO** trailers will be permitted to stay in the carpark.
- 17.3 The Squadron will endeavor to cater for visiting boats however please make arrangements in advance with the RSYS Dock master on 9017 0162.