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Australian 2.4 Metre Class Association Incorporated

in conjunction with

Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club

Presents the

2026 Australian 2.4 Metre Class National Championship

Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th April 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club (Inc), Perth, Western Australia in conjunction with the Australian 2.4 Metre Class Association Incorporated.

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The notation '[NP]' in a rule in this Notice of Race (NOR) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation (SP) in a rule in this Notice of Race (NOR) means that a standard penalty will be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing.

The notation (DP) in a rule in this Notice of Race (NOR) means that a penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) as modified by the Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 1.2 The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 "Off the Beach Boats" shall apply.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.
- 1.4 The International 2.4mR Class Rules will apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club website at <https://rfbyc.asn.au/2.4mr-australian-championship> on or before 1700 hours on Wednesday 18th March 2026.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board will be located online at <https://rfbyc.asn.au/2.4mr-australian-championship>
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a marine band VHF receiver capable of receiving and transmitting Marine VHF channels. Boats may also use the radio to report retirement from racing and to request assistance in an emergency. No other transmissions of any other nature are permitted by competing yachts during each racing day from the first warning signal until the completion of each race.
- 3.3 The Race Committee will use VHF radio to advise competitors of general matters relating to the racing.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the International 2.4 Metre Class.
 - 4.2 All competitors shall be financial members of the Australian 2.4 Metre Class Association Incorporated and shall conform to RRS 46 and RSS 75.
 - 4.3 Boats may enter the event by using the on-line entry form via the event webpage: <https://rfbyc.asn.au/2.4mr-australian-championship>
 - 4.4 Entries close at 1700 hours on Tuesday 14th January 2026.
 - 4.5 All boats shall be deemed to have registered when they have submitted a completed entry form and the RSMRDOC as detailed in NOR 8.1.
 - 4.6 Entries submitted after 1700 hours on Tuesday 14th January 2026 will be late entries and may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
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5 FEES

- 5.1 An entry fee of \$350 is payable to enter the event.
- 5.2 Please enter using the RBYC website <https://rfbyc.asn.au/2.4mr-australian-championship> and remit the entry fee direct to the designated bank account by 1700 hours on 14th January 2026.
- 5.3 Following each day's racing light food and drinks will be served at the Dinghy Club. The entry fee includes the after-race social presentations and catering.

6 ADVERTISING

- 6.1 In accordance with Regulation 20.4.1, boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 The dates and times of racing are as follows:

Day	Date	Time of First Race Warning Signal	Location
Thursday	2 nd April 2026	1500 – Invitation Race	Freshwater Bay or Melville Water West
Friday	3 rd April 2026	1300 - 1 st Heat. Heats 2 and 3 to follow.	Freshwater Bay or Melville Water West
Saturday	4 th April 2026	1300 – 4 th Heat. Heats 5 and 6 to follow	Freshwater Bay or Melville Water West
Sunday	5 th April 2026	1100 – 7 th Heat. Heat 8 to follow	Freshwater Bay or Melville Water West

- 7.2 A maximum of eight (8) races will be conducted for the series.
- 7.3 The scheduled number of races is based on favourable wind conditions. Should races not be started or abandoned, the number of races in a day may be adjusted.
- 7.4 To alert competitors that another race is to be sailed in a session, code flag Q will be displayed as boats are finishing the previous race. This flag will be removed with multiple sound signals one minute before the warning signal is displayed for the ensuing race.
- 7.5 No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours on Sunday, 5th April 2026.

8 REGISTRATION

- 8.1 Each skipper shall complete a Regatta Sail and Mast Registration and Declaration of Compliance form (RSMRDOC see Appendix A) for their vessel in the full knowledge that any incorrect statement or material error may result in disqualification from the Regatta.
- 8.2 A completed Appendix A "RSMRDOC" is to be submitted to the RBYC regatta office no later than 1400 hours on Wednesday 1st April 2026.
- 8.3 At registration entrants shall present their boat's insurance policy and Sail and Mast Registration and Declaration of Compliance form.

9 VENUE

- 9.1 The venue for this regatta will be Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club.
- 9.2 The racing area will be Freshwater Bay or Melville Water West.

10 COURSES

- 10.1 The course to be sailed will be windward-leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions. Racing will be of approximately 40 -50 minutes duration. Failure to meet target times will not be subject to a request for redress.
- 10.2 A sonic signal may be adjacent to the top mark for visually impaired competitors as classified by World Sailing.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe in the same direction) except that for infringements within the Zone, as defined in the RRS, shall be a Two Turns Penalty (two tacks and two gybes in the same direction). This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.
- 11.2 If Mark 2 (offset) 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 2, as soon as possible after leaving the zone around Mark 2. This changes RRS 44.2.
- 11.3 A boat that has taken a penalty under RRS 44.1 or retired shall complete an acknowledgement form at the Regatta Office within the Protest Time Limit.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 Eight races are scheduled, four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2
 - (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13 BERTHING

- 13.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places at the RFBYC Marina.

14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 14.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the championship except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

15 RISK STATEMENT

- 15.1 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 INSURANCE

- 16.1 Each participating boat shall have third-party liability and public liability insurance cover of not less than \$10,000,000. By signing the Entry Form entrants declare that they hold such insurance in respect of this boat and this regatta and that they will continue to do so for the duration of the regatta.
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17 PRIZES

- 17.1 Formal presentations of the following trophies will be announced at the post regatta function at RFBYC on Sunday, 5th April 2026.
- 17.2 Overall Winner – “Asparagus Cup”
2nd Overall
3rd Overall
- 17.3 Other trophies and prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

18 SOCIAL

- 18.1 An attractive social calendar of events and tourist opportunities will be developed to coincide with the Championship.

19 REGATTA POLO SHIRTS

- 19.1 Regatta polo shirts will be available for competitors and volunteers to purchase. Details will be posted to the RFBYC Regatta website in the near future to order and for details of sizes and cost. To ensure delivery in time for the regatta please place your order by 1700 on Tuesday 14th January 2026.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1 For further information please contact:

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APPENDIX A

**REGATTA SAIL and MAST REGISTRATION and
DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE (RSMRDOC).**

Vessel Name:

Sail Number:

Total No of sails. Mains: **Headsails:**

A Declaration of Compliance – Measurement Compliance for International 2.4 Metre Class Yachts

1. I am the skipper ("Skipper") of the vessel mentioned in the schedule to this declaration ("Vessel") which has entered the regatta also mentioned in the schedule to this declaration ("Regatta").
2. I have made due and reasonable prior enquiry and investigation to enable me to confidently make this declaration.
3. To the best of my reasonably informed knowledge and belief:
 - a) The Vessel, and all her fixed and running rigging, as she will be presented and sailed during the Regatta, is compliant with International 2.4 Metre Class measurement standards and requirements.
 - b) The sails carried and/or used in connection with the Vessel during the Regatta are compliant with International 2.4 Metre Class measurement requirements and have not been altered or recut in any material respect so as to no longer be compliant.
 - c) No more than two (2) mainsails and three (3) headsails shall be carried or used in connection with the Vessel for the Regatta and the designation of such sails shall be made by the Skipper prior to the commencement of the Regatta (and shall not be changed during the Regatta) and such designation must be disclosed by the Skipper on request by any Regatta official.
4. I solemnly make this declaration knowing that the consequences of any material error or incorrect statement in it is serious and may result in disqualification of the Vessel from the Regatta.

B I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern this Regatta.

C I confirm that I have current insurance valid for the period of the Regatta evidencing insurance cover in respect of Third-Party Liability and Public Liability of not less than A\$10,000,000.

SIGNED BY (Skipper):

Date: / /

This completed form is to be returned to the Sailing Administrator by 1400 hours Wednesday 1st April 2026.

Address: C/- RFBYC, 1 Hobbs Place, Peppermint Grove WA 6011. Email: sailadmin@rbyc.asn.au