

SUSSEX INLET & BASIN YACHT CLUB INC.

Sailing Instructions

36th Annual St Georges Basin Trailable Yacht Regatta

Saturday, February 7 & Sunday, February 8, 2026

Headquarters; Fisho's area behind Sussex Inlet RSL Club
end of Jacobs Drive, Sussex Inlet

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For more information about the club – www.sibyc.com.au

1. Rules and Organising Authority.

This regatta is organised by the Sussex Inlet & Basin Yacht Club Inc governed by the 2024-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing the prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing, the Australian Trailable Yacht and Sports Boats Rules, ATYSBR National current CBH list and the rules of the Trailable Yacht classes, except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions - and excluding ATYSBR Appendix A: 'the following symbols (FBM) Fully Battened Main and (SKF) Swing Keel Flaps, identify performance improvements that are becoming common place and may not be permitted within either the class rules or the designer's specifications.'

Any correction to CBH based on the definitions above may not be taken into account for the purposes of the Regatta.

If a vessel does not have valid CBH, then the CBH from the previous ATYSBR National CBH list may be used. If no ratified CBH is available for a vessel then a provisional CBH may be applied but the Yacht would not be included in the CBH point score series.

All yachts shall display sail numbers. Auxiliary engines must be fitted on their operating brackets whilst racing.

2. Eligibility & Entry

The Regatta is open to all boats complying with the Australian Trailable Yacht and Sports Boat Rules (exception as above in rule 1) other boats will be accepted by the Race Committee of the Organising Authority. Eligible boats may enter the regatta in: -

- Division 1 Boats with a PHS equal to and above 0.760.
- 2 Boats with a PHS equal to and above 0.720 and less than 0.760.
- 3 Boats with a PHS less than 0.720.

These divisions may be changed by the committee on registration day if it is deemed necessary, a minimum number of yacht entries may be required to constitute a division. Boats will remain in their allocated division for the duration of the regatta.

Entries will also be accepted from trailable multi hulls and ballasted day sailers. Appropriate handicaps and/or divisions will be applied.

The skipper or a crew member of each boat is required to register their intention to sail in the Regatta at race headquarters or to the committee vessel on VHF channel 72 between 1100 hours & 1200 hours on Saturday, February 7, 2026 and pay the applicable fee. Sunday only starters are required to pay (as per the entry form) the regatta entry fee, register at HQ by 9.30am.

If a vessel withdraws from a race after registering at HQ or with the committee vessel, please notify the committee boat by radio or hail.

3. Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the noticeboard at the Race Headquarters.

A competitors meeting will be held at Race Headquarters at 1100 hours Saturday, February 7, 2026 only

4. Changes in Sailing Instructions.

Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board and/or relayed by radio if possible up to one hour (or as deemed necessary) before the warning signal on the day it will take effect.

5. Schedule of Races.

Races will be as scheduled in the regatta as follows:

Race 1 - **Saturday, February 7** - Passage race

Warning Signal

All Divisions

Not before 1255 hrs

Race 2 - **Sunday, February 8** - Triangle Outside course

Warning Signal

All Divisions

Not before 1055 hrs

6. Class Flags.

All divisions - the class flag is a white flag with a black "T"

7. Racing Area and Courses

Races will be conducted on St Georges Basin on courses as described on the course sheets and appropriate to the day.

8. Marks

Marks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 (and A, B and C) will be orange buoys. The starting mark will be an orange buoy. The finish mark will be a red or orange buoy.

9. The Start

Races will be started using Rule 26. On Saturday the course will be indicated by the location of the starting boat bearing an orange flag. On Sunday the course will be indicated by a red or green course indication flag raised on the starting boat.

The starting line will be between the signal mast on the race start boat at the starboard end, and the port-end starting mark. An inner distance mark may be laid near the start boat. When used, yachts shall leave this mark to starboard. The I flag may be used. A boat shall not start later than 15 minutes after her starting signal.

10. Shortened Course.

The race committee may shorten the course at a mark in accordance with RRS 32. Code flag 'S' will be displayed.

11. Recalls

Individual recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.1

General recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.2.

Following a general recall, the 'I' Flag Rule RRS 30.1 will apply.

12. The Finish

The finishing line will be between the signal mast on the start Boat and the finish mark.

13. Time Limit

For the Saturday race there shall be a time limit of 4.5 hours. Should one yacht finish within the time limit yachts will be recorded as finishers up to 5.5 hours from the start of the race. For the Sunday race there shall be a time limit of 3.5 hours. Should one yacht finish within the time limit yachts will be recorded as finishers up to 4.5 hours from the start of the race. In either race, if no yacht finishes within the time limit, the race will be abandoned.

14. Protests

Protests shall be written on forms available from the regatta HQ and delivered there within 1 hour after the time of the last boat's finish for that division. Protests must be handed to a member of the Race Committee. (Accompanied by a protest fee of \$10.00) Protests will be heard in approximate order of receipt and protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses.

15. Scoring A minimum of 1 race is required to constitute the series.

The Low scoring system, Appendix A will apply. Each boat's score will be the total of her race scores. All scores shall be counted.

16. Radio Communication

Start Boat communications will be VHF channel 72.

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.

17. Environmental Rule

Yachts shall not dispose of any item on board the yacht into St Georges Basin.

18. Wind Speed

Should the wind speed be determined to average 25 knots or more during the hour prior to the warning signal, the race may be either postponed or abandoned by the race committee. The committee may delay the start if there is considered insufficient wind prior to the start.

19. Prizes

1st and 2nd prizes will be awarded to the winning boats of each division in the two-race regatta based on PHS corrected times and a CBH overall prize may be presented. Daily prizes may be awarded and other prizes may be awarded at the Race committees discretion, to be collected at the presentation. Photographs taken during the regatta and presentation may be used for Club promotion.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per event or the equivalent. Boats may be requested to provide a copy of a valid insurance certificate.

20 RETIREMENT FROM RACE

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the start boat as soon as possible.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

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