



# 2025 CITY of CANBERRA REGATTA

5 -7 December 2025

## NOTICE OF RACE

*Incorporating the:*

*Australian Castle Yacht National Championships*

*ACT Elliott 5.9 Travellers Trophy round 2*

The Organising Authority is the Canberra Yacht Club

### 1 RULES

**1.1** The series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025 – 2028, the [Australian Trailable Yacht and Sports Boat Rule \(ATYSBR\)](#) and the relevant class rules, except for changes indicated in relevant paragraphs in this Notice of Race and in the Sailing Instructions. The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) will apply.

**1.2** RRS Part 4 preamble, 51, 52, 61.3, 62.1, 66, A5 will be changed as follows:

a) RRS 51 and 52 will be changed as follows:

A competitor may request permission from the Race Committee to use moveable and/or variable ballast for the purpose of increasing stability subject to a boat having been allocated a National yardstick / handicap rating. Stored power may be used for this operation. RRS 51 and 52 are modified to the extent required by this paragraph.

b) RRS 61.3, 'Protest Time Limit', will be changed so that the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

c) RRS 62.1 is changed as detailed in NoR 5.7, below.

d) RRS 66, 'Reopening a Hearing', will be changed so that on the last day of the regatta a party to a hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 30 minutes after being informed of the decision on that day.

e) RRS A5, 'Scoring', will be changed so that any boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS.

f) RRS A5 is changed as detailed in NoR 5.4, below.

**1.3** RRS Appendix T will apply. Arbitration may be used prior to a Protest Hearing.

### 2 COMMUNICATION/NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

**2.1** All relevant communications shall be posted on the Official Notice Board during the event. The notice board shall be located within the CYC Sailors Cabin. Further, these communications shall also be posted on the CYC website until the end of the event. All communications, outside of Change to Sailing Instructions, shall be posted at least one day prior to when they may take effect.

### 3 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**3.1** The Sailing Instructions will be available from 1200 hours on 4 December 2025 at CYC and thereafter on the CYC website at: <https://canberrayc.com/race-information.php>

### 4 ADVERTISING

**4.1** Advertising is permitted.

## 5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1** The decision to accept an entry will be at the absolute discretion of the organising authority.
- 5.2** Competitors may apply to enter online via the [CYC Website](#).
- 5.3** Entries may be accepted for trailable yachts, all of which shall be no less than 4.8m and not exceed 10.5m in overall length.
- 5.4** Boats will be allocated a CYC City of Canberra handicap rating, by the organising authority, based on any available information which may include but is not limited to, past regatta and club events, class associations, manufactureres websites, and the ATYSBR Appendix A.
- 5.5** Boats entered as standard boats of a recognised class or design shall comply with the class rules or standard design configuration of that particular class or design. Boats who have been recognised under the AS CBH System as being modified or OAK must demonstrate how they have returned their boat to normal specifications if they wish to race under a class/design rating.
- 5.6** The organising authority reserves the right to set or adjust any boats CYC City of Canberra handicap rating at any time. An initial list of these ratings will be available on the [CYC Website](#) by COB Friday 7 November 2025. This list may be updated at any time, up to and during the event.
- 5.7** A handicap rating allocated by the organising authority shall not be grounds for protest or redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 5.8** The person entering the boat and all crew must be current financial of AS in compliance with the AS prescription to RRS 46 applicable at the time of racing.
- 5.9** Registration and Sign-On shall be completed between 90 minutes and 30 minutes before the first warning signal of the scheduled starting sequence. Failure to Sign-On will result in a score of DNC for races on that day, unless Sign-On is completed before subsequent races on that day, in which case those subsequent races would be scored as sailed. This changes RRS A5.

## 6 FEES

- 6.1** The Regatta entry fees will be \$70.00 up to 5.00pm 4 December 2025. The entry fee for late entries (any submitted after that date) may be \$90.00.

## 7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1** There will be a regatta briefing held at 1615 hrs on Friday 5 December 2025
- 7.2** There will be a race briefing before the Night race on Friday 5 December 2025, held in the CYC Sailors Cabin at 1900 hrs.
- 7.3** Racing will be conducted in one Division.
- 7.4** The schedule of races will be as follows:

Race	Type	Day and Date	Warning Signal
1	Triangle course, target duration: 90 minutes	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	1700 hrs
2	Night Passage Race, target duration: 120 minutes	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	2000 hrs
3	Triangle course, target duration: 120 minutes	Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	1130 hrs

4	Passage Race, target duration: 180-210 minutes	Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	1500 hrs
5	Triangle course, target duration: 90 minutes	Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	1200 hrs
6	CYC Championship SI, concurrent with the CYC Club Race (Championship series) results to count for both City of Canberra Regatta and for CYC Championship Series.	Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	1400 hrs

**7.5** The Organising Authority may, where circumstances dictate, vary the format, classes and divisions and/or the schedule for the series.

## **8 MEASUREMENTS**

**8.1** Each boat, for which its class association or class rules requires it, shall have a valid measurement / rating certificate which is to be produced on demand to any race official or protest committee member.

**8.2** The onus is on individual competitors to ensure that their boat fully complies with the specifications and conditions of the relevant CBH rating.

## **9 SCORING**

**9.1** The Scoring System (RRS A4) will apply.

**9.2** If 6 races are run each boat's series score shall be a total of her race scores excluding her worst score. If 5 or less races are run, a boat's series score shall be the total of all of her race scores.

**9.3** The calculation of results will be based on the handicap ratings as set out in NoR 5.

**9.4** Two races are required to constitute a series.

## **10 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

**10.1** 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.

## **11 PRIZES**

**11.1** The declaration of results and presentation of trophies will take place at the CYC Sailors' Cabin following completion of the CYC Club Racing on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2025.

**11.2** Prizes will be awarded to the following:

- (a) 1st, 2nd, 3rd in each Division, and
- (b) 1st, 2nd, 3rd for the Australian Castle Yacht National Championship
- (b) additional prizes may also be awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

## **12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

**12.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **13 INSURANCE**

**13.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 million per event or the equivalent.

**14 SAFETY**

**14.1** All races in the series are classified as Category “7” (AS Special Regulations, Part 1. The night race specified in NoR 5.1 will be Category 7 with additional inclusions of:

- (a) All competitors must wear at all times during the night race a lifejacket complying with AS4758-2015 (minimum Level 50) or AS1512-1996 Type 1 or Type 2, or equivalent or more stringent overseas standard.
- (b) Navigation lights shall be carried that conform to the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (Part C and technical annex 1) and shall be exhibited as required by those regulations.
- (c) A personal location light to be carried by or attached to each member of the crew when on deck at night. A phone torch is not acceptable.
- (d) A working handheld or mounted VHF radio. SI will state what channel is to be monitored during the night race. The club will have limited handheld VHF’s available for boats who do not have access to one.

**15 FURTHER INFORMATION**

**15.1** Contact Canberra Yacht Club telephone 6273 7177 or email at: [admin@canberrayc.com](mailto:admin@canberrayc.com)