

# Notice of Race

# **2018-2019 Sovereign Series**

Incorporating the  
**Melbourne to Hobart**  
"Westcoaster" Yacht Race

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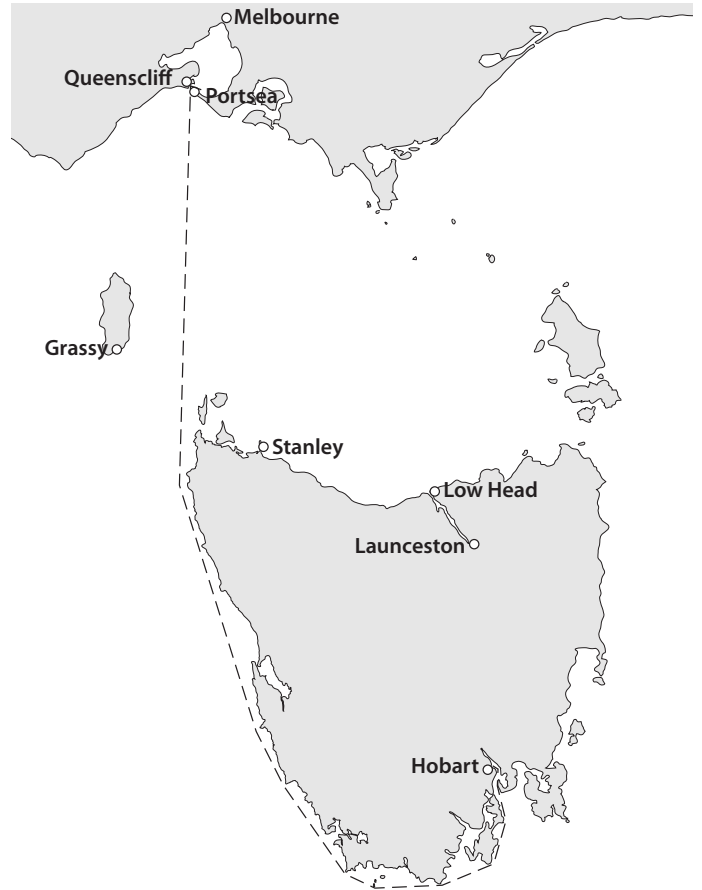
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# NOTICE OF RACE

THE **2018-2019 SOVEREIGN SERIES**, INCORPORATING THE **2018 MELBOURNE TO HOBART "WEST-COASTER" YACHT RACE [THE RACE]**, WILL BE CONDUCTED ON THE WATERS OF **PORT PHILLIP, BASS STRAIT, THE WEST AND SOUTH COASTS OF TASMANIA, STORM BAY AND THE DERWENT RIVER. OWNERS OF ELIGIBLE YACHTS ARE INVITED TO ENTER THE SOVEREIGN SERIES UNDER THE CONDITIONS OF THIS NOTICE OF RACE.**

THE SERIES AND THE RACE ARE ORGANISED AND CONDUCTED BY THE **OCEAN RACING CLUB OF VICTORIA (ORCV) INC** WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF THE **DERWENT SAILING SQUADRON.**

## 1. SOVEREIGN SERIES RACES

1.1 Competition in the Sovereign Series is limited to Yachts competing in the Westcoaster and is based on their results in three events.

### 1.2 2018 Cock of the Bay Yacht Race

The warning signal for the race will be displayed at 1025 (Australian Eastern Daylight Time) on 26 December 2018.

This is a Category 6 race conducted in Port Phillip between Station Pier and Blairgowrie.

### 1.3 2018 Melbourne to Hobart "Westcoaster" Yacht Race

The warning signal for the race will be displayed at 1055 (Australian Eastern Daylight Time) on 27 December 2018.

This is a Category 2 race conducted from Portsea through the Heads, across Bass Strait, down the West Coast of Tasmania, across the South Coast to Storm Bay and up to Hobart.

Subject to the requirements of Clause 10.3, appropriately configured satellite phones and VHF radios may be accepted by the Organising Authority as an alternative to HF radio.

### 1.4 DSS King of the Derwent Yacht Race

The warning signal for the race will be signalled at 1355 (Australian Eastern Daylight Time) on 2 January 2019.

This is a Category 5 race conducted on the waters of the Derwent River.

1.5 Although separate Notices of Race will be published for Race 1 and Race 3, all yachts accepted for entry in Race 2 will be granted automatic entry in those races and no additional race fee is required.

1.6 The details of courses including any marks of the course will be in the Sailing Instructions for each race.

## 2. RULES

2.1 The race will be governed by the current versions of:

- The 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing (WS), together with the prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS);
- The Special Regulations of the Ocean Racing Club of Victoria (ORCV);
- Where applicable, the rules and regulations of the Australian Measurement System (AMS) and the IRC Rule Parts A, B and C;
- The International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea;

except as amended by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions for each race.

2.2 ORCV reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Amendments will be published on the event website ([www.orcv.org.au](http://www.orcv.org.au)).

2.3 By entering this series, the owner of a yacht agrees that this Notice of Race (including amendments) and the entry form, the rules and regulations referred to in paragraph 2.1 and the Sailing Instructions shall be complied with by the yacht and by the owner.

2.4 The Sailing Instructions will be issued through the event website prior to the race briefing.

## 3. CATEGORIES AND DIVISIONS

3.1 Subject to other clauses in this paragraph (3), the Sovereign Series will be conducted with the following racing divisions and handicap categories:

- Unrestricted Monohull (IRC, AMS, PHS)
- Double Handed (IRC, AMS)

3.2 Entries to the Double Handed Division constitute a separate race entry and are additional to

the entry of the relevant boat in the Unrestricted Monohull Division.

- 3.3 The Race Director may create one or more additional Unrestricted Monohull Divisions having regard to the number of entries and the performance characteristics of competitors.
- 3.4 Non-Spinnaker and Two Handed rating certificates are not used.
- 3.5 The Race Committee reserves the right to cancel any category with fewer than five entries.

#### 4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The races are open to monohull yachts of a thoroughly seaworthy nature, which are entered by a member of a yacht club recognised by a Yachting Authority.
- 4.2 Each yacht shall comply with the eligibility requirements listed in *Appendix B Yacht Eligibility Requirements*.
- 4.3 The ORCV may require re-measurement of any yacht prior to the yacht racing.
- 4.4 The crew of each yacht must meet the eligibility requirements listed in *Appendix C Crew Eligibility Requirements*.
- 4.5 A decision of the ORCV or the Race Committee as to any matter under this paragraph (4), including as to whether a yacht and her crew meet the eligibility criteria for entry in the race, is final and binding and will not be grounds for a request for redress.

- 4.6 All safety equipment shall be on board and available for inspection. On request by the Race Committee, yachts shall be made available for spot inspection to audit safety regulation compliance. Spot checks may be carried out prior to the warning signal and after a yacht finishes.

#### 5. APPLICATION FOR ENTRY

- 5.1 An application for entry must be made on the ORCV's online entry system at [www.orcv.org.au](http://www.orcv.org.au).
- 5.2 Early entries are encouraged and, subject to clause 5.3, may be made prior to the payment of the applicable race fees. Additional fees apply after 14 November 2018.
- 5.3 To qualify for the Early Entry Fee, a completed application for entry and payment must be received by the ORCV by 1200 on 14 November 2018. The ORCV will consider entries after that date but an additional late entry fee will apply. Late entries that are accepted may not appear in any fleet guide and may not be eligible to receive crew shirts and other paraphernalia.
- 5.4 Each yacht shall submit to the ORCV, no later than 1200 on 12 December 2018, the documentation listed in *Appendix D Entry Documentation*.

**Privacy Note:** Personal information about crew members is contained in crew lists. That information is obtained for use in search and rescue situations and for media purposes.



- 5.5 The ORCV is not obliged to accept an application for entry.
- 5.6 In accordance with RRS 76.1 the ORCV may reject or cancel the entry of a yacht that does not comply with the conditions of this Notice of Race.
- 5.7 Documentation supplied to or held by the ORCV under this Notice of Race (other than crew lists and rating certificates) shall not be changed (except to correct errors or after protest) after 1200 on 21 December 2018.
- 5.8 A yacht's rating certificate shall not be changed after 1200 on 21 December 2018 except as a result of a rating protest or to correct a rating office error.
- 5.9 A yacht's crew list may be changed to correct errors, to reflect late crew changes or after protest, but shall not be changed later than one hour prior to the starting signal. After any change to a crew list, the yacht shall still satisfy the general requirements of paragraph 4.4. Changes to the crew or details of any crew member shall be notified through the online entry facility on the ORCV web site or by mobile phone on the day of the race.

## 6. FEES

6.1 Race fees may be paid by credit card, cheque, EFT or bank draft, as appropriate. All fees include Australian Goods and Services Tax (a tax invoice will be issued on request).

### 6.2 Series Entry

The Series Entry Fee covers one Handicap Category in the Unrestricted Monohull Division in each of the three events which constitute the Sovereign Series.

An additional fee applies for each additional Handicap Category.

A further additional fee applies where an eligible yacht enters the Double Handed Division. This additional fee includes, subject to eligibility, both of the Handicap Categories offered in the Double Handed Races.

Early Bird Entry (before 14/11/2018) . . . .	\$600
Late Entry (after 14/11/2018) . . . . .	\$750
Additional Handicap Categories (each) . . .	\$30
Double Handed Division . . . . .	\$30

These fees include entry into the Cock of the Bay and the King of the Derwent race and the Sovereign Series.

All ORCV and DSS members will receive a 15% discount on race entry fees.

### 6.3 Crew Fees

Crew fees are payable for each crew member sailing in Race 2.

ORCV or DSS Members . . . . .	\$60
Non-Members . . . . .	\$120

This fee will include the cost of a race shirt and cap. Late entrants are required to pay this fee but may not be eligible to receive these items.

For crew who require an Ocean Pass membership, the crew fee is in addition to the Ocean Pass fee.

6.4 For individual race entries for the Cock of the Bay and DSS King of the Derwent races, consult the Notice of Race for those races.

### 6.5 Refund Policy

The ORCV wishes to encourage entry to its events. However, races are expensive to organise and run, requiring a cancellation fee to be charged to cover administration costs.

A cancellation fee will apply where an entry to an event is cancelled within fourteen (14) days of the event. For Category 2 yacht races, the cancellation fee is \$100.

In addition, any costs that the Organising Authority have incurred for crew merchandise, e.g. shirts, caps, etc., will be charged if they have been incurred before the entry is cancelled.

When cancelling an entry, please provide account details (BSB, A/C Number) for refunding the entry fee balance.

## 7. SCORING

### 7.1 Sovereign Series Scoring

Yachts entering all three races of the Sovereign Series in a category shall be eligible for Sovereign Series trophies.

Scores shall be awarded in each race according to the corrected time results for each handicap category.

Only yachts entered in all races in the series for a handicap category shall be considered when allocating scores.

Yachts not starting or being disqualified in any race shall receive a score for that race equal to the number of competitors for the race + 2.

Yachts starting but not finishing in any race shall receive a score for that race equal to the number of competitors + 1.

Ties shall be broken in favour of the yacht with the highest placing in Race 2.

For the DSS King of the Derwent Race, the ORCV will score yachts under IRC and AMS for the purposes of the Sovereign Series even though these handicap divisions are not offered as part of this race.

For the DSS King of the Derwent Race, the ORCV will score yachts under Performance Handicap using the handicaps allocated for the series by the ORCV.

7.2 The scoring system will not be subject to protest or dispute (amends RRS 60.1 and 62.1(a)).

7.3 Prorated positions may be used to determine a result for the race in the event that the race is shortened.

## 8. WESTCOASTER TROPHIES

8.1 Trophies are presented to competitors for the following achievements, subject to the number of entries qualifications noted below:

- Line Honours – First yacht to cross the finish line.
- First, Second and Third placegetters on corrected time within each category and division, subject to the qualifications noted below.

8.2 The following perpetual trophies may be won by competitors in the Melbourne to Hobart Yacht Race in the Unrestricted Monohull Division, subject to the “number of entries” qualifications noted below:

- The Heemskerk Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> place on corrected time in the measurement Handicap Category with the largest number of starters, combined if multiple divisions exist. (Donated by Sir Donald Trescowthick AC, KBE)
- Edward Henty Perpetual Trophy for 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall on corrected time in the measurement Handicap Category with the largest number of starters, combined if multiple divisions exist.
- Batman Perpetual Trophy for 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall on corrected time in the measurement Handicap Category with the largest number of starters, combined if multiple divisions exist.

- Zeehan Trophy for the Navigator of the overall winner on corrected time in the measurement Handicap Category with the largest number of starters, combined if multiple divisions exist. (Donated by the City of Melbourne and the Hobart City Council)

- Wrest Point Abel Tasman Trophy for Line Honours.

- Port Phillip Sea Pilots Trophy for the first yacht through Port Phillip Heads will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup> yacht in the race to exit Port Phillip Heads by crossing an imaginary line connecting Lonsdale Light with Point Nepean.

- The City of Melbourne Perpetual Trophy for 1<sup>st</sup> on corrected time in Performance Handicap category, combined if multiple Performance Handicap divisions exist.

- The Alan Collins “Rookie Skipper” Prize, awarded to the best performing first time skipper as judged across a number of factors by the Race Committee.

8.3 The following perpetual trophies may be won by competitors in the Melbourne to Hobart Yacht Race in the Double Handed Division, subject to the “number of entries” qualifications noted below:

- The Double Handed Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> place on corrected time in the measurement Handicap Category with the largest number of starters in the Double Handed division, combined if multiple Double Handed divisions exist.

8.4 All trophies, including perpetual trophies, are awarded subject to sufficient entries in the particular Handicap Category and Divisions as follows:

- Fewer than seven entries, no 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophy is awarded.
- Fewer than five entries, no 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophies are awarded.
- Fewer than three entries, there is no race for that Handicap Category and no trophies are awarded for the Handicap Category and/or Division.
- Line honours follow the same rules except all yachts sailing the same course are counted regardless of handicap categories.

8.5 For determining the measurement Handicap Category to which the primary trophies are awarded, if the two Handicap Categories (IRC

and AMS) have the same number of starters, the trophies will be awarded in the IRC category.

- 8.6 The measurement Handicap Category with the largest number of entries to be used for awarding trophies may be announced at the conclusion of the Sign On Schedule.
- 8.7 The presentation of trophies will be at a function at the Derwent Sailing Squadron following the race at a date and time to be announced. Trophy winners will be awarded a single trophy memento listing all eligible trophies won during the race. Winners of perpetual trophies will also have the yacht and skipper names inscribed on the respective perpetual trophy.
- 8.8 Unique and special trophies have been designed and produced for Line Honours and first place recipients. The trophies are designed to encompass multiple awards and as such are to be returned to complete engraving after presentation.

## 9. SOVEREIGN SERIES TROPHIES

- 9.1 Trophies will be awarded for the lowest scoring yachts in each Handicap Category. Categories with less than three entries will not be included.
- 9.2 The Sovereign Series Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the lowest scoring yacht in the measurement Handicap Category in the Unrestricted Monohull Division with the largest number of entries, combined if multiple divisions ex-

ist. If the Handicap Category has less than three entries, this trophy is not awarded.

- 9.3 The Fosters Lager Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the lowest scoring yacht in the measurement Handicap Category in the Unrestricted Monohull Division with the second largest number of entries, combined if multiple divisions exist. If the Handicap Category has less than three entries, this trophy is not awarded.
- 9.4 The Sovereign Series presentation of trophies will be held at the Derwent Sailing Squadron in the afternoon of 2 January 2019 following the DSS King of the Derwent race.

## 10. CHANGES TO RULES

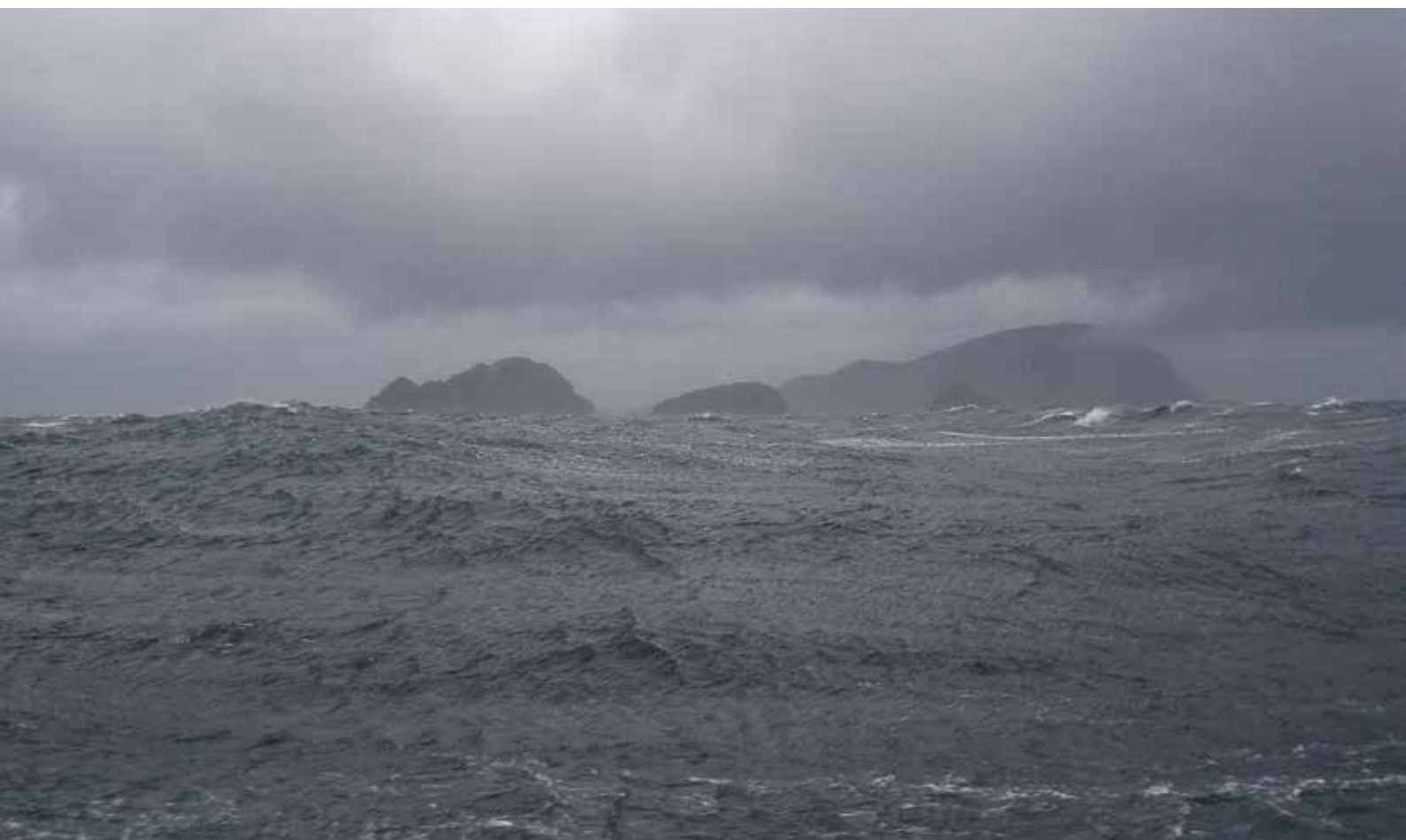
### 10.1 Changes to the IRC Rules

IRC Rule 21.1.5(e): A spare mainsail may be carried as a bona fide replacement for a mainsail damaged during the race.

IRC Rule 11.2: In accordance with a prescription by Australian Sailing, a yacht in the IRC Handicap Category may carry one more spinnaker than shown on the yacht's IRC Certificate without an increase of rating.

### 10.2 Changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing

RRS 41: Whilst racing a boat may retrieve data from any page of the event website, details of which are provided in the Sailing Instructions, and



other publicly available websites, including those which may be accessed on a subscription basis.

RRS 50.2 and 50.3: Fixed and retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits will be permitted for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.

RRS 51: A yacht with movable ballast or variable ballast (within the meaning of those terms in the Special Regulations) may move that ballast for the purpose of changing trim or stability to the extent permitted by their stability rating.

RRS 52: A shall be modified:

- to allow self-steering equipment to be used by yachts sailing in the Double-Handed Division and in the Unrestricted Monohull Division with a maximum of four (4) persons on board,
- to allow the adjustment of movable water ballast or canting keels on any yacht, and
- to allow use of stored power for the adjustment of movable water ballast or canting keels on any yacht.

RRS 55: The rule is changed by adding the following sentence to the rule: *However, discarding bands when setting a sail will not be considered a breach of rule 55.*

RRS 61.3: There is no time limit on protests by the Race Committee or the Protest Committee.

RRS 78.2: Valid rating/class certificates shall be produced by the due date specified in this Notice of Race.

### 10.3 Changes to Category 2 Special Regulations.

Yachts having an HF radio shall use that for race sign-on and all position reporting schedules. Yachts not having an HF radio may use a satellite phone in lieu of the HF radio but:

- They must demonstrate speed dialling capability to both AMSA and the Race Director,
- It must be rechargeable during racing and attached to the yacht, and
- They must have a fully functional DSC VHF radio with the yacht's own MMSI number configured and a GPS receiver connected for position information.

### 10.4 Alternative Penalties

RRS 44.2 - Two Turns Penalty will apply for breaking a rule of RRS, Part 2 in Port Phillip.

RRS 44.3 - A Scoring Penalty will apply for breaking a rule of RRS, Part 2 outside Port Phillip Heads.

RRS 64.1 – Scoring Penalties may apply at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

The scoring penalties will be applied in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.





## 11. TRACKING DEVICES

- 11.1 A yacht may be required to carry a tracking device supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 11.2 A yacht on which such a unit fails or ceases to operate will be required to provide additional position reports by radio in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
- 11.3 A yacht that interferes with the normal operation of a tracking device or fails to comply with an Organising Authority request in regard to tracking devices will be subject to protest by the Race Committee.
- 11.4 An owner or charterer shall be solely responsible for the loss of or damage to a tracking device supplied by the Organising Authority for the period it is carried on board.

## 12. BRIEFINGS

### 12.1 Compulsory Race Briefing

A compulsory pre-race briefing for entrants in Race 2 will be held on Wednesday, 19 December 2018 at 1830 at a location to be announced.

Yachts not based in Melbourne shall make alternative arrangements in advance of the briefing date. Contact the ORCV office for more details.

At least two crew members from a yacht intending to compete shall attend the whole of this race briefing. It is recommended that the skipper and the navigator attend.

Any yacht that fails to be represented at this briefing and has not made alternative arrangements with the ORCV may be considered not to be a starter in the event.

### 12.2 Compulsory Weather Briefing

A weather briefing will be held at Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron on 27 December 2018 at 0700. Unless the skipper has made alternative arrangements to the satisfaction of the Race Director, at least two crew members from each yacht intending to race must attend this briefing. It is mandatory that the skipper and navigator attend.

- 12.3 If the required attendance at either the Race Briefing or the Weather Briefing is not met, the yacht will not be eligible to race.

## 13. EVENT CLASSIFICATION & ADVERTISING

- 13.1 Advertising on a yacht shall comply with the requirements of WS Regulation 20 (WS Advertising Code) for Category C. The ORCV may decline to accept an application for entry of a yacht which, in its opinion, is carrying advertising which conflicts with governmental regulations. If in doubt, the ORCV should be consulted as soon as practicable.
- 13.2 An application for entry shall contain brief details of all advertising that a yacht intends to carry. The ORCV shall be advised of all changes to that advertising.
- 13.3 The advertising rules apply from 0700 on 27 December 2018 until the yacht leaves the Hobart docks precinct to return to her home port.

## 14. TRADEMARKS & COPYRIGHT

- 14.1 "M2H", "M2H-W", "Melbourne to Hobart Yacht Race", "Westcoaster" and "Sovereign Series" are trademarks of the Ocean Racing Club of Victoria and the use of the trademarks is absolutely restricted and limited to use by or with the consent of the ORCV.
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## 15. SPONSORSHIP & SIGNAGE

- 15.1 A yacht shall display the sponsor's materials, which may include boom decals, bow decals and backstay flags, in accordance with this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions (WS Regulation 20.3.1(d)).
- 15.2 Entrants may be supplied with race flags bearing a sponsor's name, which should be flown in the vicinity of the yacht's backstay. The flag should be flown from at least 0800 on 27 December 2018 until 1730 and flown again after finishing and before berthing in Hobart and should remain hoisted whenever in port and preferably until at least midnight on 2 January 2019.

## 16. MEDIA RIGHTS & RESTRICTIONS

- 16.1 It is a condition of entry that the owner of the yacht and all crew members:

- acknowledge that the ORCV owns all media rights to the Melbourne Hobart “Westcoaster” Yacht Race and may exercise those rights as it sees fit.
- grant the ORCV the unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any media, the names, images and biographical information relating to the crew and photographs, video footage and audio recordings taken of the yacht and its crew prior to, during and after the race.

- 16.2 Crew members of yachts may, prior to, during and after the race, speak or provide material to any media representatives accredited by the ORCV, regarding the race and the prospects, performance or strategy of yachts entered or participating in the race, subject to any comments and material not undermining or interfering with, or having a detrimental impact on, the ORCV, any sponsor and their officers and employees, the Race Committee, the Protest Committee, measurers or current or former sponsors of the ORCV. This approval may be revoked by the ORCV in respect of a yacht or media representative at any time.
- 16.3 Entrants acknowledge and accept the media restrictions referred to in this paragraph (16) by submitting their entry form.
- 16.4 Any breach of these conditions may, at the discretion of the ORCV or the Race Committee, lead to the rejection of an entry, the cancellation of an entry or the disqualification of a yacht (refer RRS 76.1). This does not limit the right of the ORCV to take any other action it sees fit to enforce compliance with these conditions.

## 17. DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the race do so at their own risk and responsibility. Crew members must acknowledge this and release the ORCV and their officers, employees, volunteers and members from all liability.

Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states:

*“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”*

## 18. MOORING ARRANGEMENTS

- 18.1 Melbourne: Visiting yachts requiring moorings in Melbourne should advise the ORCV office as soon as possible.
- 18.2 Blairgowrie: While there is room, yachts may raft up together in the Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron marina for the night of 26 December 2018 under the direction of BYS officials. Yachts requiring individual berths should contact the Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron prior to the 30 November 2018 to arrange one.
- 18.3 Hobart: In the Hobart docks precinct at the direction of officials in Hobart.

# APPENDIX A STABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The requirements specified in this appendix apply to all yachts intending to enter regardless of the handicap category in which they intend to enter.

## RESISTANCE TO CAPSIZE

A yacht shall provide evidence as follows to demonstrate that it achieves not less than:

- an ORCi Stability Index of 110 or greater for the configuration in which the yacht proposes to race, or
- ISO 12217-2 Design Category A.

## CERTIFICATE CURRENCY

A yacht without a current valid ORCi or IRC Certificate but with a previously valid (but not current) certificate shall supply its most recent previously valid (but not current) certificate with a Stability Index with a satisfactory margin to the minimum stability requirement for Race Category 2 events for the configuration in which the yacht proposes to race, accompanied by a completed Stability Declaration supplied by the Organising Authority.

## MOVABLE OR VARIABLE BALLAST

A yacht with movable or variable ballast shall provide evidence that it achieves not less than a Knockdown Recovery Factor of 0.9 under International Standard ISO 12217-2, calculated in accordance with ISO 12217-2 paragraph 6.4.4 with the lesser of  $FKR_{90}$  and  $FKR_{-90}$  used. Special Regulations Appendix B 7.2.2 shall apply.

## FALSIFIED DOCUMENTATION

Competitors found to be falsifying documentation, deliberately invalidating certificates or otherwise misleading the race committee with regard to stability of their yacht are subject to action under RRS 69.1. If found guilty the penalty shall include disqualification. The incident would also be reported to Australian Sailing.

A determination by the Organising Authority or the Race Committee as to the suitability of supplied documentation in demonstrating a yacht's compliance with the stability requirements, as to whether there is a satisfactory margin as required by this Appendix or as to a yacht's compliance with the stability requirements is final and binding.



# APPENDIX B YACHT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Check	Category	Requirement
	General	<p>Yachts shall be built in accordance with the Special Regulations Part 1, Section 3.03 and Appendix C as applicable.</p> <p>(Race 2 only) The Safety Regulations shall be those of AS Special Regulations, Part 1, Category 2 except that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If a yacht does not have an HF radio installed, a satellite phone may be used instead (see Satellite Phone below).</li> </ul>
	Insurance	The owner of a yacht entered in the race shall hold a marine legal liability insurance policy with respect to the yacht current when racing, with a sum insured of not less than A\$10 million. The insurance policy shall state that the yacht is covered for the race or that it is covered for yacht races of a length greater than the race length.
	IRC Yachts	<p>A yacht may only be entered in IRC if the yacht:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has a current, valid IRC Certificate issued by RORC; and</li> <li>• complies with all of the current IRC Rules and Regulations, save to the extent they are specifically amended or excluded in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions (refer RRS 78.1).</li> </ul>
	AMS Yachts	<p>A yacht may only be entered in AMS if the yacht:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has a current, valid AMS Certificate issued by YRSA Inc; and</li> <li>• complies with all of the current AMS Rules and Regulations, save to the extent they are specifically amended or excluded in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions (refer RRS 78.1).</li> </ul>
	Equipment Audit	<p>For race 2, each yacht must be inspected after 1 July 2018 by an ORCV Accredited Auditor. A signed copy of the Cat 2 Safety Equipment Compliance Form must be forward to the ORCV with the rest of the entry documentation.</p> <p>Details and guidance on the safety audit process may be found in the ORCV Year Book or obtained from the ORCV office.</p>
	Radio Check	<p>Primary radio support will be provided by Kordia. Each yacht must carry out and pass a radio check/voice test of the race radio frequencies with Kordia in the period 01/12/2018 - 16/12/2018.</p> <p>Race frequencies will be chosen from HF 4483, 6218, 8210 and 12305 kHz, all operated in simplex mode. Note: This may require changes to your yacht's HF radio configuration.</p> <p>To arrange the radio check, contact Kordia on 02 6151 6688. Boats not recorded as having adequate radio signal strength and readability will not be eligible to start.</p>
	Satellite Phone	<p>For yachts without an HF radio installed, a phone check must be carried out using the satellite phone to the race director's phone (0418 396 605) in the period 01/12/2018-16/12/2018. This is in addition to the requirements of clause 10.3.</p> <p>Note: Yachts are only permitted to use a satellite phone for race communications if the yacht has no HF radio installed.</p>

Check	Category	Requirement
	Qualifying Race or Passage	<p>A yacht shall substantially complete a qualifying race of not less than 150 nautical miles not more than twelve months before the start of the race. The qualifying races are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ORCV Melbourne to Stanley Race</li> <li>• Maria Island Race, Tasmania</li> <li>• Other races approved by the ORCV</li> </ul> <p>Approval of an alternate qualifying race may be sought from the ORCV in writing.</p> <p>A yacht may, with the prior approval of the ORCV (to be sought in writing), obtain dispensation from the requirement to substantially complete a qualifying race by completing a nonstop ocean passage of not less than 24 hours not more than six months before the start of the race. A yacht which is granted dispensation shall submit a detailed log of the passage with the Pre-start Documentation.</p> <p>Dispensation from the requirements of this paragraph may be requested in writing to the ORCV.</p>



Check	Category	Requirement
	Charts	<p>The following paper charts must be carried by competing yachts:</p> <p>AUS 144 The Rip  AUS 178 Plans in Tasmania  ~ Stanley Harbour  ~ Approaches to Stanley Harbour  ~ Grassy Harbour  ~ Smithton  ~ Currie Harbour  ~ Wynyard  ~ Port Latta</p> <p>AUS 177 Approaches to Macquarie Harbour  ~ Strahan  ~ Hells Gates</p> <p>AUS 176 Port Davey including Bathurst Harbour  ~ Bathurst Narrows  ~ Entrance to Bathurst Channel</p> <p>Additional paper charts showing the full length of the course from Port Phillip Heads to Storm Bay at a scale of 1:300,000 or less (at 27 degrees 15 minutes latitude). Currently available charts meeting this requirement (as at the date of publication of this Notice of Race) are:</p> <p>AUS 487 Bass Strait  AUS 790 Stokes Point to Rocky Cape  AUS 791 West Point to Granville Harbour  AUS 792 Trial Harbour to Low Rocky Point  AUS 793 Low Rocky Point to South West Cape  AUS 794 South West Cape to South East Cape  AUS 795 South Cape to Storm Bay  AUS 171 Hobart to Norfolk Bay</p> <p>The following additional charts are recommended:</p> <p>AUS 158 Port Phillip South &amp; West Channels  AUS 143 Port Phillip  AUS 789 King Island  AUS 172 Port of Hobart  ~ Bowen Bridge  ~ Sullivans Cove</p> <p>AUS 173 D'Entrecasteaux Channel  AUS 174 Plans in Tasmania South East Coast  ~ Recherche Bay  ~ Port Arthur  ~ Southport  ~ North West Bay  ~ Port Huon</p>

# APPENDIX C CREW ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Check	Category	Requirements
	Membership	All persons sailing on competing yachts shall be members of an AS-affiliated club or an international equivalent. AS membership numbers or their international equivalents must be included on the crew list.
	Age	The minimum age of any person on board is 16 years, with a majority of the crew being of a minimum age of 18 years. Crew aged between 16 and 18 years must provide evidence to the Sailing Office demonstrating past sailing experience and hold a current AS SSSC certificate. The Race Committee may, at its absolute discretion, refuse to allow any crew members aged between 16 and 18 years of age to participate in the race.
	Experience	In accordance with AS Special Regulation 2.04, at least 50% of the crew (three persons if crew size is less than six) including the skipper and/or sailing master shall have sufficient experience, declared on the entry form and accepted as such by ORCV. For the Double Handed Division, both crew members must be accepted by ORCV as sufficiently experienced.
	Training	At least 50% of the crew on a yacht, with a minimum of three except for Double-Handed crews, shall have completed an AS Safety and Sea Survival Course (SSSC) or an ORCV approved equivalent. Copies of crew members' current Certificates of Competence or equivalent shall be provided. It is recommended that the skipper or sailing master have a recognised Australian Sailing certificate (or equivalent) of at least an Offshore Skipper certification.
	First Aid	At least one crew member on a yacht shall hold a <i>HLDT003 Provide First Aid Certificate</i> or equivalent qualification or be a practising medical practitioner. Copies of the crew members' Certificate or other qualification shall be provided.
	Radio	At least one crew member on a yacht shall hold a <i>Long Range Operator Certificate of Proficiency (LROCP)</i> issued by a relevant authority or higher qualification. Copies of the crew member's Certificate or other qualification shall be provided.
	Double Handed	For the Double-Handed Division, both crew must be over 18 years of age, have completed an AS SSSC or an ORCV approved equivalent, hold an MROCP and a Senior First Aid or equivalent qualification or be a practising medical practitioner.

# APPENDIX D ENTRY DOCUMENTATION

Check	Documentation	Notes
	Crew List (Online), correctly and fully completed with all associated personal details. Boats are responsible for its accuracy and currency.	
	Audited Special Regulations Form for Category 2	
	A Safety Equipment Compliance Declaration (Category 2) must be completed and carried on board and be available for inspection if required.	
	<p>Verification of Hull Construction Standards</p> <p>In the case that a yacht relies on compliance with the EC Recreational Craft Directive for Category A, a certificate demonstrating that compliance.</p> <p>In the case that a yacht relies on compliance with ABS, the yacht's ORCi Rating Certificate recording an ABS plan approval or, alternatively, statements signed by the designer and builder confirming that they have respectively designed and built in accordance with the ABS Guide.</p> <p>In the case that a yacht relies on compliance with ISO 12215 Category A, a certificate demonstrating that compliance, with written statements signed by the designer and builder which confirm that they have respectively designed and built the yacht in accordance with that ISO standard.</p>	
	For entrants in AMS divisions a copy of a current AMS certificate.	
	For entrants in IRC divisions a copy of a current IRC certificate.	
	Australian Sailing Safety and Sea Survival Course Certificates or acceptable equivalents. Submitting the expiry date online is sufficient.	
	HLDT003 Provide First Aid Certificate or acceptable equivalents.	
	Long Range Operator Certificate of Proficiency (LROCP) in Radio Telephony or acceptable higher qualification. Submitting the certificate number online is sufficient.	
	406 EPIRB Certificate(s) or evidence of registration and currency.	
	Current Liferaft Inspection Certificate(s)	
	Current Insurance Policy	
	Evidence of Stability (see <i>Appendix A Stability Requirements</i> )	
	Stability Declaration (as issued by the ORCV that no changes have been made to the yacht since the issue of the Evidence of Stability)	
	Verification of qualifying race or ocean passage if required.	
	Colour photograph of the yacht under sail, no older than 12 months and suitable for search and rescue purposes. This may be a copyright free digital photograph of a size not less than 6cm by 6cm with a resolution not less than 75 DPI.	