

# NOTICE OF RACE

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The ORCV has long been associated with double handed sailing and this race is its entrée into the wonderful world of short handed sailing. As such we've created 2 new divisions for this year. The carnival of short handed racing now incorporates more than just the open two handed race with the introduction of the non spinnaker division and the ORCV's own 4+Autopilot – which has been growing in popularity since its inception a few years back.

Sailed around a Bay course, this event provides a challenge to those who wish to test themselves in a short-handed sailing format, as well as providing valuable training for those who are contemplating participating in the Double-Handed Division of longer races conducted by the club.

But wait, there's more – a completely new course to more encompass the short handed way; longer legs!





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THE 2021 ORCV CARNIVAL OF SHORT HANDED SAILING WILL BE CONDUCTED ON THE WATERS OF PORT PHILLIP. OWNERS OF ELIGIBLE YACHTS ARE INVITED TO ENTER THIS RACE UNDER THE CONDITIONS OF THIS NOTICE OF RACE. THE RACE IS ORGANISED AND CONDUCTED BY THE OCEAN RACING CLUB OF VICTORIA (ORCV).

# RACE

- 1.1. The warning signal for the race will be displayed at 0955 Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST) on Saturday, 8 May 2021.
- 1.2. This is a Category 5 race, except as noted in NoR 9.2, conducted on Port Phillip Bay.
- 1.3. The course will be approximately 24.5 nautical miles around fixed and laid marks starting off Royal Brighton Yacht Club.
- 1.4. The details of the course including any marks of the course will be in the Sailing Instructions for the race.

## 2. Rules

- 2.1. The race will be governed by the current versions of:
  - the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing (WS),
  - the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS),
  - where applicable, the rules and regulations of the Australian Measurement System (AMS) and the IRC Rule Parts A. B and C:

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

- 2.2. Yachts competing in this race shall have a minimum of 2 crew. Yachts sailing in the "Autohelm plus 4" Division may compete with either 3 or 4 crew.
- 2.3. The ORCV reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Amendments will be published on the ORCV website (www.orcv.org.au) and existing entrants will be notified.
- 2.4. By entering this race, the owner of a yacht agrees that this Notice of Race (including amendments) and the entry form, the rules and regulations referred to in NoR 2.1 and the Sailing Instructions shall be complied with by the yacht and by the owner.
- 2.5. The Sailing Instructions will be issued through the ORCV website (www.orcv.org.au).

## 3. DIVISIONS

- 3.1. The race will be conducted with the following Divisions and Handicap Categories:-
  - Open open to two handed sailors under IRC, ORCc, AMS & PHS (noting that trophies will only be awarded under PHS and the 2 most popular Handicap Categories).
  - Non Spinnaker two handed division without flying sails PHS only
  - "Autohelm plus 4" 3 or 4 crew with autohelm PHS only
- 3.2. The Race Director may create one or more additional Divisions having regard to the number of entries and the performance characteristics of competitors.
- 3.3. Non-Spinnaker and Two-Handed rating certificates are not used.
- 3.4. The Race Committee reserves the right to cancel any Division or Handicap Category with fewer than five entries, up to and including the race itself.

# 4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1. The races are open to yachts of a thoroughly seaworthy nature, which are entered by a member of a yacht club recognised by Australian Sailing.
- 4.2. Each yacht shall comply with the eligibility requirements listed in *Appendix A Eligibility Requirements*.
- 4.3. Yachts must produce supporting documentation if requested.
- 4.4. The ORCV may require remeasurement of any yacht prior to the yacht racing.
- 4.5. A decision of the ORCV or the Race Committee as to any matter under this condition (NoR 4 Eligibility), 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.

# 5. APPLICATION FOR ENTRY

- 5.1. An application for entry must be made on the online entry system at www.orcv.org.au.
- 5.2. To enter the race, a completed application for entry and payment of race fees must be received by 2000 on Sunday, 2 May 2021.
- 5.3. The ORCV, at its sole discretion, may consider entries after that date late but will not normally do so if the yacht was in a position to enter the race by the due date.
- 5.4. The ORCV is not obliged to accept an application for entry.
- 5.5. 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.
- 5.6. A yacht's rating certificate shall not be changed after 2000 on Sunday, 2 May 2021 except as a result of a rating protest or to correct a rating office error.

# 6. FEES

6.1. Race fees shall be paid by credit card on submission of the entry form. All entries include Australian Goods and Services Tax (a tax invoice will be issued on request)

#### 6.2. Race Entry

The race entry fees are for the race and one handicap category. A fee is payable for each additional handicap category over the initial one.

Normal Entry (by 02/05/2021)	\$40
Additional Handicap Categories (each)	\$10

All ORCV members receive a 15% discount on the race entry fee.

There are no crew fees for this race but crew who do not have an Australian Sailing Number are required to purchase an Ocean Pass membership via the ORCV website at an additional cost of \$60

A yacht will not be considered a valid entry until all fees are paid.

#### 6.3. 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 and committed costs.

A cancellation fee will apply where an entry to an event is cancelled within fourteen (14) days of the event. For Category 5 yacht races, the cancellation fee is \$20

Any cancellations must be notified by email (orcv@orcv.org.au) including account details (BSB, A/C Number) for refunding the entry fee balance.

## 7. Scoring

- 7.1. The scoring system will not be subject to protest or dispute (amends RRS 60 and 62.1(a)).
- 7.2. Prorated positions may be used to determine a result for the race in the event that the race is shortened.

## 8. Trophies

- 8.1. Trophies are presented to competitors for the following achievements, subject to the number of starters qualifications noted below:
  - Line Honours First yacht to cross the finish line.
  - First place on corrected time under PHS and each of the two measurement Handicap Categories with the greatest number of starters in the Open Division.
  - First place on corrected time under PHS for yachts sailing in the Non Spinnaker Two Handed and "Autohelm plus 4" Divisions, subject to a minimum of 3 starters.
  - 8.2. The presentation of trophies and mementos will be at the 2022 ORCV Presentation Night at a date, time and location to be announced. Handicap category first placegetters and line honours winners will be awarded a single trophy memento listing all eligible trophies won during the season.

# 9. Changes to Rules

9.1. Changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing

RRS 41: While racing, a boat may retrieve data from any page of the event website, details of which are provided in the Sailing Instructions, and other websites even if that page is not generally available.

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: The rule shall be modified:

- to allow self-steering equipment to be used;
- to allow the adjustment of movable water ballast or canting keels on any yacht and the use of stored power to do so, and
- to allow the use of stored power for sail handling and sail trimming on any yacht.

RRS 47: The rule is changed by adding the following sentence to the rule: *However, discarding biodegradable bands when setting a sail will not be considered a breach of this rule.* 

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

9.2. Changes to Category 5 Special Regulations

Yachts must have on board a VHF marine radio capable of communications with Ocean Racing over VHF Channels 16, 67, 71, 73 and 82 during the period of the race.

At least one licensed operator holding either a Short-Range Marine Radio Operators VHF Certificate of Proficiency (SROCP) or an Australian Water Qualification (AWQ) certification must be on board the yacht during the race.

# 10. EVENT CLASSIFICATION & ADVERTISING

- 10.1. Advertising on a yacht shall comply with the requirements of WS Regulation 20 (WS Advertising Code) for Category C.
- 10.2. The ORCV shall be advised of all advertising that a yacht intends to carry. The ORCV shall be advised of all changes to that advertising.
- 10.3. The ORCV may decline to accept an application for entry of a yacht which, in its opinion, is carrying advertising which conflicts with government regulations. If in doubt, the ORCV should be consulted as soon as practicable.

# 11. Trademarks & Copyright

11.1. "ORCV 2021 Carnival Of Short Handed Sailing" is a trademark of the Ocean Racing Club of Victoria, Inc and the use of the trademark is

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# 12. Media Rights & Restrictions

- 12.1. 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 ORCV 2021 Carnival Of Short Handed Sailing 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.
- 12.2. 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.
- 12.3. Entrants acknowledge and accept the media restrictions referred to in this condition (NoR 12) by completing the entry form.
- 12.4. 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.

# 13. DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the race do so at their own risk and responsibility. Crew acknowledge this and release the ORCV and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members, from all liability by entering their names on the crew list.

Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3, which states:

"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone"

# Appendix A Eligibility Requirements

YACHTS MUST COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS LAID OUT IN THIS APPENDIX TO BE CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE FOR ENTRY TO THE RACE.

Check	Category	Requirement
	General	Yachts shall be built in accordance with the Special Regulations Part 1, Section 3.03 and Appendix C as applicable.
		The Safety Regulations shall be those of AS Special Regulations, Part 1, Category 5 except as modified in NoR 9.2.
	Insurance	The owner of a yacht entered in the race shall hold a marine legal liability insurance policy with respect to the yacht, current at the time of the race, 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	<ul> <li>A yacht may only be entered in IRC if the yacht:</li> <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	<ul> <li>A yacht may only be entered in AMS if the yacht:</li> <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>
	Crew	All persons sailing on competing yachts shall be members of an AS-affiliated club or an international equivalent. AS memberships or their international equivalents must be included on the crew List.
	Radio	Each competing yacht shall carry a VHF transceiver with channels 16, 67, 71, 73 and 82.