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The Sydney Harbour Regatta is held in conjunction and with the assistance of the following Clubs:

- Cruising Yacht Club Australia (CYCA)
- Manly Yacht Club (MYC)
- Royal Australian Navy Sailing Association (RANSA)
- Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club (RPAYC)
- Royal Prince Edward Yacht Club (RPEYC)
- Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS)
- Sydney Amateur Sailing Club (SASC)
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INTRODUCTION

The Middle Harbour Yacht Club (MHYC), as the Organising Authority, invites eligible boats to compete in the Sydney Harbour Regatta 2017.

1. RULES

1.1 GENERAL RULES

The Sydney Harbour Regatta will be governed by the following;

- the current Rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), of the World Sailing
- the current Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS),
- the current IRC Rules 2016, Parts A, B and C (if applicable),
- the Class Rules of any One Design Class or Class Association, if applicable, and by,
- the current MHYC Conditions of Entry,

except as any of these are modified by this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions, and by the Sailing Instructions.

1.2 CHANGES TO THE RULES

1.2.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) will be changed as follows;

- RRS 41: Is changed that, 'whilst racing a boat may retrieve data from any page of the Event or MHYC Websites, even if that page is not publicly available.'
- RRS 44.1: Is changed that 'only a one (1) turn penalty, including one (1) tack and one (1) gybe is required, *except* for infringements that occur within the "zone" of a rounding mark.'
- 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: Subject to NoR 1.2.2, a boat with movable 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.
- RRS 52: Is changed so that it 'does not apply to the adjustment and operation of sails or to the adjustment of movable appendages on any boat.' This Rule is changed to permit powered winches for boats over 14.0m LOA and as detailed in NoR 1.2.2.
- RRS 78.2: Valid Rating / Class certificates shall be produced by the due date specified in this Notice of Race.

1.2.2 Boats shall request permission from the Race Committee to use movable and/or variable ballast for the purpose of increasing stability. Any such request must be accompanied by full details of the system involved, and any such system will be taken into account in establishing the boats handicap. Stored power may be used for the operation of movable ballast systems and for the adjustment and operation of sails or the adjustment of movable appendages. RRS 51 and 52 are changed to the extent as detailed by this paragraph.

1.2.3 RRS35, A4.2 and A5 are amended in that boats still racing at the expiration of the race time limit will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus a score of 30% of the number of starter rounded to the nearest whole number, but no more points than the number of starters.

1.3 CHANGES TO CLASS RULES

1.3.1 CLASSES USING IRC RATING CERTIFICATES

All boats competing in Classes using IRC Ratings shall hold a current and valid IRC certificate. The Organising Authority may require re-measurement of any boat prior to the boat racing.

1.4 NON SPINNAKER CLASSES & DIVISIONS

Boats competing in the Non Spinnaker Classes and Divisions shall not fly spinnakers. Only a mainsail and headsails as defined in RRS 50.4 shall be used. Headsails shall not be set flying. Headsails may be poled out but must be tacked to the foot of the forestay and fully attached to the forestay. No sail shall be set forward of a point of attachment of the permanent forestay.

1.5 NATIONAL JURY

1.5.1 The Organising Authority has applied to Yachting Australia for the appointment of a National Jury. The National Jury will hear all protests and requests for redress, in accordance with Yachting Australia Addendum A to the RRS, the decision of the National Jury will be final and not subject to appeal, as provided in RRS 70.5.

1.5.2 For protests involving an alleged breach of the rules of Part 2 of the RRS, an arbitration hearing may be held prior to a protest hearing. A boat that accepts fault at an arbitration hearing will be penalized by having its race score increased by 25% of the difference between the boat finishing score and the score for DSQ in its Class or Division, rounded to the nearest whole number. All other boats scores will remain the same. Once accepted, this decision is not subject to reopening or appeal. This alters RRS 63, 64.1 (a), 66 and Appendix A.

1.5.3 For all Classes, scoring penalties shall apply at the discretion of the National Jury.

1.6 CREW REQUIREMENTS

Competing Skippers and Crew are reminded of RRS 46 and the SA Prescription that all 'Person's in Charge' and 'Crew' onboard shall be a member of a Club affiliated to its National Authority (NA).

1.7 AMENDMENTS TO NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority may amend this Notice of Race. Amendments made prior to **Friday 3 March 2017** will be published on the Event Website: www.shr.mhyc.com.au. Amendments thereafter will be posted on the Official Notice Board at the Middle Harbour Yacht Club.

1.8 OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD & SIGNAL MAST

The Official Notice Board is located in the Breezeway, adjacent to the Main Office at the Middle Harbour Yacht Club. The Official Signal Mast is located on the north eastern corner of the Clubhouse.

1.9 MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES

A boat may, with the consent of the Organising Authority, carry on board, for a race or races, a Media Representative or Representatives, who shall not participate in the sailing or navigation of the boat, for the purposes of photography, filming, sound recording and journalism. Such Media Representative shall be exempt from the boats compliance with its Class Rules in respect of crew numbers and crew weight.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The Organising Authority may reject the entry at any time of a boat (RRS 76.1), which, in the Organising Authority’s opinion, is carrying advertising for a company or product in conflict with the event sponsors, if applicable.
- 2.2 The Organising Authority may provide sponsor’s decals and or backstay flags. A boat shall display the sponsor’s name and or backstay flag in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

3. CLASSES & HANDICAP CATEGORIES

- 3.1 The Sydney Harbour Regatta is open to all boats of the following Classes, using the nominated Handicap. Additional Classes may be accepted upon written request to the Organising Authority, prior to **1800hrs on Friday 27 January 2017.**

CLASS (SERIES)	DIVISION	HANDICAP SYSTEM	AS SPECIAL REGULATIONS
Open Class (Windward / Leeward)	Multiple if required	IRC / ORCi	Category 4
Sydney 36 Class (Windward/Leeward)	Sydney 36	EHC	Category 4
Open Class (Ocean Passage)	Multiple if required	IRC / ORCi	Category 4
Performance Class (Ocean Passage)	Multiple if required	PHS-TCF	Category 4
One Design Class	Farr 40	SCRATCH	Category 4
One Design Class	Sydney 38	SCRATCH	Category 4
One Design Class	McConaghy 38	SCRATCH	Category 7
One Design Class	Adams 10m	SCRATCH	Category 7
One Design Class	International Dragon	SCRATCH	Category 7
One Design Class	International Etchells	SCRATCH	Category 7
One Design Class	International Melges 20	SCRATCH	Category 7
One Design Class	International Melges 24	SCRATCH	Category 7
One Design Class	International Melges 32	SCRATCH	Category 7
One Design Class	International Yngling	SCRATCH	Category 7
One Design Class	J70	SCRATCH	Category 7
One Design Class	VX-One	SCRATCH	Category 7
One Design Class	International 5.5m	SCRATCH	Category 7
Super 12 Class	Super 12s	PHRF	Category 7
Sports Boat Class	Sports Boats	SMS	Category 7
Performance Class (Cavalier 28)	Cavalier 28	PHS	Category 7
Performance Class (Super 30)	Super 30	PHS	Category 7
Performance Class (Spinnaker)	Multiple if required	PHS	Category 7
Performance Class (Non-Spinnaker)	Multiple if required	PHS	Category 7
Performance Class (Classics)	Multiple if required	PHS	Category 7
Production Boat Class (X-Yacht, Hanse)	Multiple if required	EHC	Category 7
Historic 18’ Skiffs	Historic 18’ Skiffs	EHC	Category 7

COURSE AREA	
Category 4 - Offshore	Category 7 - Inshore

- 3.2 The Organising Authority may, at its discretion, add, alter, amalgamate or divide any Class as required.

- 3.3 All Classes may be eligible for their own 'Start' if a minimum of six (6) entries have been received by the 'close of entries'.
- 3.4 The Organising Authority may cancel any Class or Division if a minimum of six (6) entries have not been received by the 'close of entries'. In this event, boats that have submitted an entry will have the option of transferring to another Class (if eligible).

4. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The Sydney Harbour Regatta is open to all boats that meet the General and Class specific eligibility requirements. The Organising Authority may, at its discretion, vary these eligibility requirements if it deems that the entry of a boat in the Regatta has the potential to advance the quality of racing in the Regatta. The Organising Authority may require re-measurement of any boat prior to the boat racing.

4.1 General Requirements

General Requirements for all boats shall be as follows;

- boats shall be of a self-righting and single hulled design, (Historic 18' Skiffs shall be exempt),
- boats shall have an overall length (LOA) not more than 30.48 m,
- boats shall have an overall length (LOA) not less than 9.4m if competing offshore (Refer NoR 3.1),
- boats shall be on the register of a Club affiliated to its National Authority,
- boats shall hold and also submit to their registered Club, a YA Special Regulations 'Equipment Compliance Certificate' as detailed in the table in NoR 3.1,
- boats shall hold and also submit to their registered Club, evidence of current personal risk cover of no less than \$A10, 000,000 by way of a certificate of currency or policy document copy.

4.2 Open Class Boats (IRC)

- boats shall hold a valid IRC Certificate, being an Endorsed Certificate issued by RORC or UNCL,
 - boats shall have been weighed on scales by a RORC/UNCL approved measurer, and
 - comply 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).
- and/or
- boats shall hold and also submit a valid ORCi Certificate, and
 - comply with all of the current ORCi 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).

4.3 One Design Class Boats

McConaghy 38, Farr 40, Sydney 38, Adams 10m, Int. Dragon, Int. Etchells, Int. Melges 20, Int. Melges 24, Int. Melges 32 and Int. Yngling, VX-One

- boats shall hold a valid One Design Class Certificate, and
- comply with all of the current One Design Class Rules and Regulations, except where they are specifically amended or excluded in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions (refer RRS 78.1).

4.4 Sports Boat Class Boats

- boats shall hold a valid SMS Measurement Certificate,
- boats shall be trailable with an SMS rating of 0.755 or greater, and
- open to all boats classified as Sports Boats, as defined by the Australian Sports boat Association
- comply with all of the current requirements of the Australian Sports Boat Association Rules and Constitution, except where they are specifically amended or excluded in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions (refer RRS 78.1).

RRS 49.1 shall not apply to Melges 24's and Magic 25's if racing in full compliance with their respective class rules and it is noted on the boats' SMS certificate that the rating incorporates hiking devices. ASBA Constitution section 4.1.13 shall not apply to Elliott 7's if racing in full compliance with their respective class rules.

4.6 Performance Class Boats

Ocean Passage / Cavalier 28 / Super 30 / Spinnaker / Non-Spinnaker / Classics

- all boats shall meet the requirements as outlined in the General Requirements or as amended as follows,
- boats competing in the Cavalier 28 Division shall be of the same design
- boats competing in the Super 30 Division shall comply generally with the Super 30 criteria, (i.e. light weight - high performance), not have wings or trapezes, be a maximum length of 32 ft, subject to performance at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- boats competing in Non Spinnaker Divisions refer to NoR 1.4.
- boats competing in the Classics Division shall be designed before 1970 and built from traditional materials (timber).

4.7 Sydney 36 Class Boats (EHC)

- all boats shall meet the requirements as outlined in the General Requirements or as amended as follows,

4.8 Production Class Boats (EHC)

- boats shall all be from the one manufacturer, eg; X-Yachts, Hanse or as accepted by the Organising Authority.

4.9 Historic 18' Skiffs (EHC)

- boats that are 18' Historic Skiffs conforming to the spirit and intent of the Historic 18' Skiff Class.

4.10 Super 12 boats will be high performance PHRF Rated boats between 9.1 m and 12.2m with fixed or retractable bow sprits.

5. ENTRY

5.1 Procedure and Fees

- 5.1.1 All eligible boats shall be required to submit their own entry, shall enter one (1) Class only and shall do so by using the online entry system (TopYacht Entry System) on the event website www.shr.mhyc.com.au. By submitting an entry, the 'Person in Charge' agrees to be bound by the rules and conditions governing the Regatta.
- 5.1.2 The closure of all entries will be **2400hrs on Monday 20 February 2017**. After the 'close of entries', any additional entry shall be made in writing and may only be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 5.1.3 All eligible boats shall pay the nominated entry fee as classified in the tables in NoR 5.1.4. Exemptions from paying an entry fee shall not be attainable. All entry fees are inclusive of GST and shall only be accepted via the online entry system (TopYacht Entry System) using a nominated credit card.
Note: only Mastercard and Visa Cards are accepted.
- 5.1.4 Irrespective of when an entry has been made, the payment of an entry fee will confirm an entry and will be classified for each Class as follows;

CLASS (SERIES)	DIVISION	EARLY	STANDARD	LATE
Open Class (Windward / Leeward)	Multiple if required	\$170.00	\$240.00	\$305.00
Sydney 36 Class (Windward/Leeward)	Sydney 36		\$270	
Open Class (Ocean Passage)	Multiple if required	\$170.00	\$240.00	\$305.00
Performance Class (Ocean Passage)	Multiple if required	\$170.00	\$240.00	\$305.00
One Design Class	McConaghy 38	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
One Design Class	Farr 40	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
One Design Class	Sydney 38	See Separate NoR		
One Design Class	Adams 10m			
One Design Class	International Dragon	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00

One Design Class	International Etchells	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
One Design Class	International Melges 20	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
One Design Class	International Melges 24	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
One Design Class	International Melges 32	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
One Design Class	International Yngling	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
One Design Class	J70	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
One Design Class	VX-One	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
One Design Class	International 5.5m	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
Super 12 Class	Super 12s	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
Sports Boat Class	Sports Boats	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
Performance Class (Cavalier 28)	Cavalier 28	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
Performance Class (Super 30)	Super 30	\$120.00	\$170.00	\$220.00
Performance Class (Spinnaker)	Multiple if required	\$60.00	\$85.00	\$110.00
Performance Class (Non-Spinnaker)	Multiple if required	\$60.00	\$85.00	\$110.00
Performance Class (Classics)	Multiple if required	\$60.00	\$85.00	\$110.00
Production Boat Class (X-Yacht, Hanse)	Multiple if required	\$60.00	\$85.00	\$110.00
Historic 18' Skiffs	Historic 18' Skiffs	\$60.00	\$85.00	\$110.00

CLASSIFICATION	CONDITIONS OF ENTRY FEE PAYMENT
Early	Payments received prior to 2400hrs Friday 3 February 2017.
Standard	Payments received after 0000hrs Saturday 4 February 2017 but prior to 2400hrs Monday 20 February 2017.
Late	Payments received after 0000hrs Tuesday 21 February 2017.

5.2 Refunds

- 5.2.1 Entry fees will be non-refundable after the 'close of entries', except in the case of NoR 3.4. All requests for an entry fee refund shall be made in writing and submitted to the Organising Authority by email to: sailing-administrator@mhyc.com.au.
- 5.2.2 In the event of a race being abandoned or removed from the schedule of racing, entry fees will not be refunded.

5.3 Transfers

- 5.3.1 A boat's submitted entry and/or entry fee shall not be transferable to any other boat.
- 5.3.2 The transfer of a boat's submitted entry to another Class (where eligible), will not be accepted after the 'close of entries', except in the case of NoR 3.4. All requests for a transfer shall be made in writing and submitted to the Organising Authority by email: sailing-administrator@mhyc.com.au.
- 5.3.3 Subsequent entry fees that are due because of the transfer of a boat's submitted entry to another Class shall be calculated based on the classification of when the entry fee was first received.

6. DOCUMENTATION

- 6.1 Evidence of the documentation as described in NoR 4.0 to 4.8 (where applicable), shall be submitted when lodging an entry via the online entry system, (TopYacht Entry System), *if*, not already held by a boat's registered Club or Class Association, by **1800hrs on Friday 24 February 2017**. Documentation shall be submitted by email to: sailing-administrator@mhyc.com.au.

- 6.2 A boats rating certificate shall not be changed after **1800hrs on Thursday 2 March 2017**, except as a result of a rating protest or to correct a rating error

7. SCHEDULES

7.1 Schedule of Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
Fri 3 Feb 2017	'Early' Entry Fee Closes	Event Website www.shr.mhyc.com.au	2400hrs
Fri 20 Feb 2017	'Standard' Entry Fee Closes	Event Website www.shr.mhyc.com.au	2400hrs
Fri 24 Feb 2017	'Late' Entry Fee Closes	Event Website www.shr.mhyc.com.au	2400hrs
Fri 24 Feb 2017	Submission of documentation closes	Sailing Office MHYC	1800hrs
Tue 28 Feb 2017	Sailing Instructions published	Event Website www.shr.mhyc.com.au	1800hrs
Tue 28 Feb 2017	Final List of Entries published	Event Website www.shr.mhyc.com.au	1800hrs
Mon 06 Mar 2017	Official Regatta Presentation	Shoreside at MHYC	1900hrs

7.2 Schedule of Racing

CLASS (SERIES)	DIVISION	SAT 04		SUN 05
Open Class (Windward / Leeward)	Multiple if required	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
Sydney 36 Class	Sydney 36	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
Open Class (Ocean Passage)	Multiple if required	1 x Passage		1 x Passage
Performance Class (Ocean Passage)	Multiple if required	1 x Passage		1 x Passage
One Design Class	McConaghy 38	Fri 3 x W/L	Sat 3 x W/L	3 x W/L
One Design Class	Farr 40	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
One Design Class	Sydney 38	Fri 3 x W/L	Sat 3 x W/L	3 x W/L
One Design Class	Adams 10m	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
One Design Class	International Dragon	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
One Design Class	International Etchells	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
One Design Class	International Melges 20	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
One Design Class	International Melges 24	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
One Design Class	International Melges 32	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
One Design Class	International Yngling	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
One Design Class	J70	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
One Design Class	VX-One	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
One Design Class	International 5.5m	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
Super 12 Class	Super 12s	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
Sports Boat Class	Sports Boats	3 x W/L		3 x W/L
Performance Class (Cavalier 28)	Cavalier 28	3 x W/L		2 x W/L
Performance Class (Super 30)	Super 30	2x W/L		1 x Harbour
Performance Class (Spinnaker)	Multiple if required	2 x Harbour		2 x Harbour
Performance Class (Non-Spinnaker)	Multiple if required	2 x Harbour		2 x Harbour
Performance Class (Classics)	Multiple if required	1 x Harbour		1 x Harbour
Production Boat Class (X-Yacht, Hanse)	Multiple if required	2 x Harbour		2 x Harbour
Historic 18' Skiffs	Historic 18' Skiffs	1 x Harbour		-

7.2.1 The Organising Authority, at its discretion, may add or delete races as necessary. Any such changes will be notified in the Sailing Instructions.

7.2.2 No Warning Signal will be made after **1530hrs on Sunday 5 March 2017**.

8. COMPETITOR'S PACKS

8.1 Competitors will be notified by the Organising Authority for when Competitor's packs will be made available for collection from the Middle Harbour Yacht Club.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1 Sailing Instructions will be published by the Organising Authority and will be available from the event website www.shr.mhyc.com.au by **1800hrs on Tuesday 28 Feb 2017**.

10. RACING VENUE

10.1 Racing will be conducted on the waters of Sydney Harbour and the Tasman Sea.

11. SCORING

11.1 The Low Point System, Appendix A of the RRS shall apply. Boats whose sail numbers are not registered with the Organising Authority may not be recorded as finishers (this amends RRS A5) and shall not appear on provisional results.

11.1.1 Open Class (Windward/Leeward)

Six (6) races are scheduled of which two (2) shall be completed to constitute a series. There shall be no discards and a boat's total score will be the sum of its scores in all races completed.

11.1.2 Open Class (Ocean Passage) and Performance Class (Ocean Passage)

Two (2) races are scheduled of which one (1) shall be completed to constitute a series. There shall be no discards and a boat's total score will be the sum of its score in all races completed.

11.1.3 One Design Classes and Sports Boat Class

Six (6) races are scheduled of which two (2) shall be completed to constitute a series. There shall be no discards and a boat's total score will be the sum of its score in all races completed.

Farr 40s, Sydney 38s, and MC38s: Nine (9) races are scheduled over 3 days of which three (3) shall be completed to constitute a series.

11.1.4 Performance Class (Cavalier 28) / (Super 30)

Five (5) races are scheduled of which two (2) shall be completed to constitute a series. There shall be no discards and a boat's total score will be the sum of its score in all races completed.

11.1.5 Performance Class (Spinnaker) / (Non-Spinnaker) and Production Classes

Four (4) races are scheduled of which two (2) shall be completed to constitute a series. There shall be no discards and a boat's total score will be the sum of its score in all races completed.

11.1.6 Performance Class (Classics)

Two (2) races are scheduled of which one (1) shall be completed to constitute a series. There shall be no discards and a boat's total score will be the sum of its score in all races completed.

11.1.7 Historic 18' Skiffs

One (1) race is scheduled of which one (1) shall be completed to constitute a series.

12. PRIZES

12.1 Official Presentation & Prize Giving

The Official Presentation and Prize Giving will be held at 1900hrs on Monday 06 March 2017, at the Middle Harbour Yacht Club. Prizes may be awarded to the overall winners (1st) and place getters (2nd)

and 3rd) in each Class or Division consisting of six (6) or more entrants. Additional Sponsor Prizes may also be awarded. All competitors are invited to attend.

- 12.1.2** Grand Prizes offered by the Organising Authority and Event Sponsors will be drawn at the Official Presentation. Details, terms and conditions will be made available via an official 'Notice to Competitors', prior to the commencement of racing.

****Please note:** Attendees to the Official Presentation and Prize Giving are requested to arrive at the Middle Harbour Yacht Club by 1830hrs, so that proceedings may commence on time as scheduled.

12.2 Perpetual Trophies

The Organising Authority will offer a winning boat's registered Club the opportunity to display Perpetual Trophies at their registered Club. This will be subject to the completion of the engraving of the winning boat's name and held until one (1) month prior to the next Sydney Harbour Regatta. Where a registered Club declines this offer, Perpetual Trophies will be held on display by the Organising Authority.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 13.1 The Race Committee may broadcast on VHF radio, race management information for the benefit of competing boats; there is no restriction on boats monitoring a VHF channel for its course area, as specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 13.2 Boats may transmit on VHF radio to communicate in the event of an emergency or upon retiring from a race or at the request of the Race Committee.
- 13.3 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.

14. PLASTIC POOLS AND HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 14.1 There shall be no restriction on the use of plastic pools or haul out of boats or the use of underwater breathing apparatus under boats during the Regatta.

15. BERTHING & MOORINGS

- 15.1 The Middle Harbour Yacht Club may have available limited casual berthing and moorings, made available to boats competing. All requests for casual berthing and moorings at MHYC shall be made by completing the 'Casual Berthing Registration' form, available from the Club's website www.mhyc.com.au.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1 Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. The Organising Authority and their respective officer's, employees, volunteers and members, will not accept any liability for any loss, material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the race.
- 16.2 The Organising Authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 16.3 Competitors attention is drawn to RRS 4.0 'Decision to Race'.
"The responsibility for a boats' decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

17. MEDIA RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS

- 17.1 Each entrant for the this Regatta consents to the Organising Authority distributing information to the entrant and crew regarding, racing, marketing and associated event information including social events. This information may be distributed by email, web, mail, fax, mobile phone messaging and telephone.

17.2 Conditions of entry include a requirement that the Person in Charge of the boat and crew;
- Acknowledge that the Organising Authority owns all media rights to the this Regatta and may exercise those rights as it sees fit,

- Grant the Organising Authority and Event Partners 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 boat and its crew prior to, during and after the race.

Crew members of boats may, prior to, during and after the Regatta, speak or provide material to any media representatives accredited by the Organising Authority, regarding the race and the prospects, performance and strategy of boats entered or participating in the Regatta, subject to any comments and material not undermining or interfering with, or having a detrimental impact on, the Organising Authority and its Officers and Employees, the Race Committee, Measurers or Current Sponsors of the Regatta or Organising Authority in respect of a boat or media representative at any time.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1 For further information contact;

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