



Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

Lady Skipper Race 2017

Sunday 9 July

1. **Invitation** – NCYC extends an invitation to owners and lady skippers of eligible yachts to compete in the 2017 Lady Skippers' Race.
2. **Rules** – The race will be governed by the COLREGS and this combined Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions. The Racing Rules of Sailing do not apply.
3. **Eligibility** – All NCYC yachts satisfying the requirements of Maritime Safety Queensland for the type of boat sailing in partially smooth waters and capable of safely completing the course are eligible.
4. **Special Rules pertaining to this race** – yachts must be helmed by the lady skipper except during comfort breaks.
5. **Entry fee** – This is an NCYC member only event and therefore no entry fees apply.
6. **Entering the event** – Yachts wishing to enter shall do so by logging on to "Race Control" via VHF77 at least 15 min prior to the start.

The name of the nominated lady skipper must be advised along with the number of people on board.

7. **Start** - The start will be at precisely 11:00am GPS time. No signals will be given. The start line will be between the outer green at the entrance to Newport and a laid yellow buoy extending at least 200 metres depending on the number of entries.
8. **Course** – The course for this event will be as per the map published on the Lady Skipper web page.
9. **Shortening of course** – A shortened course will be announced via VHF77.
10. **Finish**
A 100 metre extension of an imaginary line from the Green lateral marker to the South of the Green lateral mark at the entrance to the Newport Leads. (North line finish)

11. **Additional Safety Requirements** –All yachts are required to maintain a radio watch on VHF 77 at all times while racing.

Maritime Safety Queensland requires all participating yachts to be compliant with all licencing and registration conditions required for Queensland.

All yachts and participating personnel must also comply with all rules and legislations that are in place for Queensland ships.

Entrants are to familiarize themselves with the NCYC On-water Emergency Response Plan.

12. **Handicaps** - Handicaps will be assigned to yachts generally in accordance with the guidelines detailed in the NCYC Handbook.

It is requested that boats intending to race that do not have a NCYC handicap notify the PRO or secretary so that a new handicap may be issued.

Current yacht spinnaker and non-spinnaker handicaps apply to this event.

The handicapper's decision will be final. The results of this event will not affect other event handicaps.

13. **Sailing instructions** –All required instructions are within this document.

14. **Insurance** - It is a condition of entry that each boat be covered by third party property and public liability insurance of at least \$10,000,000.

For those choosing to use spinnakers/extras, consideration should be given as to whether your insurance policy covers you for this event.

15. **Presentation and Prizes** – Announcement of results and prize giving will take place at the NCYC Clubhouse at Compass Marina. The Post Race Function will be a free Sausage Sizzle for Members and Guests.'

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