



Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

Lady Skipper Race 2023

Sunday 4th June

1. **Invitation** – NCYC extends an invitation to owners and lady skippers of eligible yachts to compete in the 2023 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 via the Lady Skipper Page on the website.

The name of the nominated lady skipper must be entered in the comments box on the login page.
7. **Start** - The start will be at precisely 11:00am GPS time. No signals will be given. The start line will be an orange flag for a west or a north start line extending 200 metres depending on the course for the day.
8. **Course** – The course for this event will be one of the NCYC published courses and will be nominated and displayed on the Lady Skipper sign on page on the morning of the race or earlier subject to the forecast weather conditions
9. **Shortening of course** – A shortened course will be announced via VHF77.
10. **Finish**

The finish will be either a North finish or West finish as per the course selected for the day (displayed on the Lady Skipper Log on page on the website).

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 licensing 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 familiarise themselves with the NCYC On-water Emergency Response Plan and the Covid Safe 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 club handicaps apply to this event and are published on the website. **This is a non-spinnaker 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.

15. **Presentation and Prizes** – Announcement of results and prize giving will take place at the NCYC Clubhouse at Newport . The Post Race Function will be lunch at a cost of \$15 each . BYO beer and wine and complimentary champagne for ladies on arrival.

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