



2027 IOM OCEANIA CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Regatta Waters, Gold Coast, Queensland, AUSTRALIA

5 September to 10 September 2027



Notice of Race

1. Organising Authority

- 1.1. The Organising Authority is the Australian Radio Yachting Association (Inc.) with the approval of the International One Metre International Class Association (IOM ICA) and the International Radio Sailing Association (IRSA).

2. Rules

- 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 as amended by Appendix E (Radio Sailing Racing Rules).
- 2.2. The following documents will apply: This Notice of Race (NOR)
 - The event's Sailing Instructions (SI)
 - The International One Metre Class Rules current as at the time of equipment inspection and registration.
 - Australian Sailing Prescriptions (where relevant to radio sailing) shall apply
 - Simple Heat Racing System 2026 – V1 or as amended.
 - The Equipment Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (ERS)
 - The IOM Class Championship Regulations 2024
 - World Sailing Call Book for Radio Sailing 2025-2028
 - The Jury may publish a document setting out an accelerated procedure for protests and requests for redress as an Accelerated Protest Procedure (APP)

3. Chartered or loaned boats

- 3.1. Chartered or loaned boats may carry the national letters denoting the national authority and/or the sail number of the person or organisation supplying the boat. This changes RRS G1.1(b), as modified by RRS E8.

4. Eligibility

- 4.1. The competition is open to 80 IOM boats selected by an NCA in good standing with IOM ICA.
- 4.2. Competitors shall be members of and in good standing with the Designated National Member (DNM) of their country of residence.
- 4.3. The IOM ICA Class Championship Regulations October 2024 eligibility requirements shall apply.

5. Entry

- 5.1. Entries and allocation of places shall be governed by the IOM ICA Class Championship Regulations 2024 with a modified Paragraph 8 (Entries) as approved by the IOM ICA Events Sub-committee, extending the initial period of Entry from 3 months to 6 months prior to the event.
- 5.2. Non NCA nations may request a guest spot via VC Events (ESC) no later than 5 January 2027
- 5.3. The Initial Closing Date for Non-Continental entries shall be 5 February 2027.
- 5.4. The Initial Closing Date for Continental entries from NZ and AUS shall be 5 March 2027.
- 5.5. Entry forms for submission to each applicant's NCA, DNM or the IOM ICA Events Sub-Committee shall be available on the event website at <https://iomoceania.com>
- 5.6. All places allocated under Stage 1 shall be confirmed on receipt of entry fee no later than 19 March 2027.
- 5.7. Places allocated under Stages 2-4 shall only be confirmed when entries and payments are fully completed. The closing date for places under Stage 2-4 can be announced on the event website.
- 5.8. In order that competitors may be able to compete on equal terms, the race committee shall make as fair an arrangement as possible for those that require additional help. Such competitor who requires any form of help shall contact info@iomoceania.com prior to entry to confirm that suitable arrangements can be made. It is the competitor's responsibility to determine that adequate facilities are available before entering the event.
- 5.9. All competitors who reside outside of Australia will become Temporary Affiliate Members of the ARYA for the duration of the event. This membership includes public liability insurance cover of AUS \$20 million per incident. This membership will be provided at no cost to the Competitor.
- 5.10. The final allocation and accepted entries will be announced on the event website.

6. Venue

- 6.1. The event will be sailed at Regatta Waters Coomera, Gold Coast, Queensland.
- 6.2. The headquarters for the event will be the Oxenford Watersports Centre, 33 Watersport Lane, OXFENFORD QLD.
- 6.3. Google Maps Plus code is here: 48C7+P5 Oxenford, Queensland
- 6.4. Launch and retrieval is dry.
- 6.5. Venue Notes:
 - There is no facility for overnight storage of boats.
 - Limited car parking space is available. Parking wardens will be on site to advise arriving officials, competitors and spectators.
 - Shelter, sunscreen, hot and cold beverages and toilet facilities will be provided.

7. Equipment inspection and registration

- 7.1. All boats must comply with the International One Metre Class Rules current as at the time of equipment inspection and registration.
- 7.2. Boats together with their measurement certificates shall be presented for registration and equipment inspection on Sunday 5 September 2027. Bookings for registration and equipment inspection must be completed on the event website: <https://iomoceania.com>
- 7.3. The Race Committee may extend the time for registration and inspection if there is a valid reason to do so.
- 7.4. No boat shall be eligible to race until it has been registered and has passed equipment inspection.

- 7.5. At the discretion of the Race Committee, checks of randomly selected boats may be conducted during the event to ensure they comply with class rules.

8. Fees

- 8.1. The IOM ICA Class Championship Regulations requirements for payment of fees shall apply.
- 8.2. The following fees apply:
- **Entry Fee: AUS\$450.00**
- 8.3. Payment of fees should be made to the Australian Radio Yachting Association Credit Card payment on the event website.
- 8.4. Entry fee includes:
- Opening Ceremony on 5 September 2026,
 - Light lunches during full racing days (6/7 September and 9/10 September),
 - Sunscreen,
 - Water,
 - Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony on 10 September 2026
- 8.5. Once fees have been paid, a cancellation fee will be charged for subsequent withdrawal from the event. The cancellation fee shall be:
- Cancellation more than 90 days prior to the event (i.e. before 5 May 2027): AUS\$50
 - Cancellation less than 90 days but more than 60 days before the event (i.e. before 5 June 2027): AUS\$100
 - Cancellation less than 60 days before the event (i.e. after 6 June 2027): AUS\$200

9. Scoring and racing system

- 9.1. The championship shall be raced and scored under SHRS 2026 V1 for a maximum of 80 boats.
- 9.2. Five races are to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.3. For the Qualifying Series, fleet allocation shall be conducted in accordance with Clause 3.2 (Pre-Assignment) of the Simple Heat Racing System (SHRS) 2026-1. Heat assignments for the Qualifying Series will be published prior to the commencement of racing.
- 9.4. Unless varied in accordance with 9.7, the Qualifying Series will consist of a maximum 10 races. If 10 races are not completed by 1700hrs on Tuesday 7 September 2027, then the race which is current at that time will be completed prior to commencing the Final Series.
- 9.5. Final Series will consist of all races completed after the Qualifying Series.
- 9.6. The Final Series fleet allocation (Gold, Silver, Bronze, Copper) will be defined at the start of the Final Series event according to SHRS 4.2.
- 9.7. Having regard to predicted weather, competitor safety, or any other relevant factor, the Race Committee may, prior to 16:30 on Day 1, vary the number of races in the Qualifying Series or the cutoff time for the Qualifying Series as set out in 9.4 to ensure an optimal outcome for the event. If such a change is made, a revision to this Notice of Race and/or Sailing Instructions will be posted in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

10. Protests and requests for redress

- 10.1. An International Jury conforming to RRS Appendix N as amended by clause 6.5 of the IOMICA Class Championship Rules 2024, shall be appointed and the right of appeal is denied under RRS 70.3(a).
- 10.2. RRS 90.3(e) shall apply except replace “24 hours” with “5 minutes”

- 10.3. When a hearing is reopened under rule 66 or RRS N1.4(b) applies, any decision to penalize or give redress made after the warning signal of any heat to which a party to the hearing may be promoted, shall not change the race schedule for that race. This changes RRS 63.5 and RRS 64

11. Event schedule

All times are Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST)

Day/Date	Time	Activity
DAY 1 Sunday 5 September 2027	1000 – 1630 1830	Equipment Inspection, Registration & Practice Racing. Opening Ceremony, Briefing & Dinner
DAY 2 Monday 6 September 2027	0930 Before 1730 1745 - 1845	Warning Signal for first heat of the day Warning Signal for last heat of the day Après Racing
Day 3 Tuesday 7 September 2027	0930 Before 1730 1745 - 1845	Warning Signal for first heat of the day Warning Signal for last heat of the day Après Racing
Day 4 Wednesday 8 September 2027	1230 Before 1730 1745 - 1845	Warning Signal for first heat of the day Warning Signal for last heat of the day Après Racing
DAY 5 Thursday 9 September 2027	0930 Before 1730 1745 - 1845	Warning Signal for first heat of the day Warning Signal for last heat of the day Après Racing
DAY 6 Friday 10 September 2027	0930 1500 1630	Warning Signal for first heat of the day Warning Signal for last heat of the day Prize Giving

- 11.1. With the exception of Day 1 and Day 4, a light lunch will be provided to all competitors and volunteers. More substantial fare is available at nearby food outlets at competitor's own cost.
- 11.2. **Après Racing** is a daily hour of fizz and will include drinks and nibbles, a de-brief session, Race Committee Notices, more drinks and nibbles. Afterwards, competitors, officials and volunteers can go 'home' or out for dinner to recharge for the next day's racing.
- 11.3. **Après Racing** will be held nightly at the "BIG 4 Gold Coast Holiday Park" 66-86 Siganto Dr, Helensvale QLD 4212. The Park is 1.5km from the sailing venue and has a licensed bar, with a huge pool and covered area providing a relaxed environment to enjoy the company of your fellow participants.

12. Radio frequencies and transmitting power

- 12.1. For frequency bands other than 2.4Ghz, each competitor shall nominate a minimum of three (3) frequencies with their entry. Permitted frequency bands are 27, 29, 36, 40 Mhz and 2.4Ghz.
- 12.2. To assist in preventing radio interference (and resultant breaches of RRS E2.5), competitors should ensure that the transmitter power of their radio control transmitters does not exceed 100mw under any circumstance (including where dynamic power adjustment is enabled). Express Long Range System (Express LRS or ELRS) transmitters are a particular focus in this regard and competitors with such transmitters (e.g.

Radiomaster) should visit this website: <https://www.expresslrs.org/software/dynamic-transmit-power/> for further information, or their product manual.

13. Sailing instructions

13.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on <https://iomoceania.com> at least two weeks before the event starts and a copy will be placed on the Event Notice Board prior to the commencement of racing.

14. Prizes

14.1. The following prizes will be awarded:

- Perpetual Trophy for IOM Oceania Continental Champion
- Trophies for top 5 places in the Gold fleet and the highest finishing competitor in each of the Silver, Bronze, and Copper fleets.
- Trophies will be awarded for the highest placed finisher outside the top 5 Gold fleet finishers in the following categories:
 - Age Categories:
 - Master Category: Ages 65 to 74 years,
 - Grand Master Category: 75 years and over.
 - Classic Category:
 - To be recognized as a Classic IOM a boat should conform to the following criteria -
 - The boat has a current IOM measurement certificate.
 - The boat is an IOM design that was first launched prior to 2010.
 - The hull-form to be of a non-tumblehome nature.
 - Modifications to the original hull shape are not permitted.
 - In the interests of experimentation and increased competitiveness, modifications to rigs and appendages are permitted.
 - The decision of the OA as to whether a boat falls into the Classic Category shall be final and no correspondence shall be entered into.

15. Digital property rights

15.1. By taking part in this event, the competitor gives the Australian Radio Yachting Association and the event's sponsors the right to use and show at any time, static or moving pictures, films and TV recordings of the competitor and/or their boat made during this event in any materials, on any Web pages, and on any social media in support of or in connection with the event, including the publication of results, unless it is notified by writing before submitting entry to IOMICA by emailing vcevents@iomclass.org

16. Personal information

16.1. Personal information collected for the purpose of running this event will be handled in accordance with the ARYA's Privacy Policy. The policy can be found on the ARYA website or [by clicking on this link](#). unless it is notified by writing before submitting entry to the IOMICA by emailing vcevents@iomclass.org

17. Risks and responsibility

17.1. By taking part in this event, the competitor agrees and acknowledges the following:

- a) They will Check, Clean and Dry their boat and any equipment that may have pest organisms on it before sailing in this event.
- b) All those entering or taking part in these Championships do so at their own risk and responsibility. (See RRS 4). The Australian Radio Yachting Association Incorporated and the International One Metre International Class Association, and any other parties involved in the organisation of this event disclaim:
- c) *“Any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, material damage, personal injury or death, or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods, both ashore and on the water, prior to, during or after the regatta, as a consequence of entering or participating in the Championship covered by this Notice of Race.”*
- d) At all times the responsibility for the safety of their boat and themselves plus the decision to participate or continue must rest solely with, and remain at all times with, the competitors.
- e) A competitor may only enter the event by accepting the ARYA Regatta Terms and Conditions when completing the Entry Form.
- f) The Code of Conduct for the event, which describes the expected behavior of participants, is included in the Terms and Conditions document.
- g) Competitors are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
- h) The provision of a race management team, rescue boats, race officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- i) The provision of rescue boat is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

18. Acceptance of conditions

- 18.1. A competitor may only enter the event by acknowledging on the Entry Form that they accept the conditions of this Notice of Race and the ARYA Regatta Terms and Conditions.

19. Further information

- 19.1. For further information please contact: info@iomoceania.com
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