



**NSW TEAM SAILING**  
ASSOCIATION

# **NSW SECONDARY SCHOOLS TEAMS RACING CHAMPIONSHIP 2023**

## **NOTICE OF RACE- v2**

Friday 17 to Sunday 19 March 2023

### **Host Club**

Woollahra Sailing Club

### **Organising Authority**

Woollahra Sailing Club  
in conjunction with the  
NSW Team Sailing Association



NOTICE OF RACE - 2023 NSW SECONDARY SCHOOLS TEAMS RACING CHAMPIONSHIP

Issue 1	13 Feb	NSWTRC NoR v1	Dated 6 Feb
<b>Issue 2</b>	<b>16 Feb</b>	<b>NSWTRC NoR v2</b>	<b>Dated 16 Feb - links to Trybooking added</b>

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Woollahra Sailing Club (WSC) in conjunction with the NSW Team Sailing Association (NSWTSA).

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 – 2024 including Appendix D – Team Racing and Addendum A to Appendix LG (Attachment A), and Australian Sailing’s (AS) Special Regulations Part 2 (Off the Beach Boats).
- 1.2. Pacer class rules will not apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between the rules, regulations, NOR or Sailing Instructions (SIs), other than the RRS 2021 – 2024, then the SIs will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

**2. ELIGIBILITY**

- 2.1. All competitors shall be bona fide secondary school students and fully paid Members of an AS affiliated Club and NSWTSA, or other appropriately affiliated state body for Team Sailing.
- 2.2. A team shall consist of six to eight students from the same secondary school and any combination of six students may compete in any race.
- 2.3. All teams must be current Members of the NSWTSA (<https://www.trybooking.com/CGAHL>), or other appropriately affiliated state body for Team Sailing.
- 2.4. The OA is targeting 18 to 24 entries, with a planned maximum of 24 teams, though this may be change at the discretion of the OA.
- 2.5. Subject to registration numbers, NSWTSA may consider and accept teams made up of students from more than one secondary school, from an Australian Sailing affiliated Club or from an Interstate School. These entries will not be eligible for the 2023 NSW Secondary Schools Teams Racing Championship (NSWSSTRC) title or major trophy and will not be eligible for selection to represent NSW at subsequent Australian Team Sailing Association (ATSA) events.
- 2.6. There will be no weight limit for this event, however, selection for subsequent ATSA events requires teams to meet the criteria outline in NOR Clause 14.
- 2.7. Parental or guardian consent forms are required to be signed and handed in at registration in respect of any competitor born after 17 March 2005 (U/18).
- 2.8. By entering, any team and their support staff agree to participate in the championship in accordance with the guidelines set out by the host club.

**3. ENTRY**

**3.1. Entering**

- 3.1.1. Entries for the championship will open on 10 February 2023.
- 3.1.2. Teams will be entered on completion of the entry form via TryBooking (<https://www.trybooking.com/CGAHE>). Payment of the entry fee is preferred via TryBooking. For entries paying by bank transfer, entry remains via TryBooking and by emailing [info@nswtsa.com](mailto:info@nswtsa.com) for bank details.
- 3.1.3. Entries close at 1800 Wednesday 9 March 2023. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority. A late entry fee of \$100 will be payable for any late entries accepted.

**3.2. Entry Fee**

- 3.2.1. The entry fee for the 2023 NSWSSTRC is \$900 per team.
- 3.2.2. The entry fee is non-refundable except if the event is unable to be conducted due to Force Majeure restrictions.

**3.3. Damage Deposit**

- 3.3.1. An initial damage deposit of \$500 per team is to be paid prior to the competitor’s registration in the form of a signed credit card authorisation or cheque. Damage deposits will not be drawn on unless a claim is made. A damage deposit form will be sent to each team on receipt of their completed entry.
- 3.3.2. Teams will not be eligible to compete at the championship until the damage deposit is paid.
- 3.3.3. A team found by the Race Committee to be responsible for causing specific damage will be charged for such damage and the damage cost be deducted from their damage deposit.
- 3.3.4. The limit of damage liability for any one incident is \$500.
- 3.3.5. Should deductions be made from a team’s damage deposit during the NSWTRC, the deposit will be required to be restored to the original value before that team can continue racing.
- 3.3.6. At the completion of the Championship, the cost to repair any damage noted which was not previously reported and which cannot be directly attributed to any team(s), will be shared

among all competing teams and deducted from their damage deposit. Unused damage deposits will then be refunded as soon as practicable after the Championship.

**3.4. Volunteers**

- 3.4.1. Each Sydney-based team entering the event, is to provide one volunteer to assist the Organising Authority with on and off water activities across each day of the Championship. This volunteer does not need to be the same person for the duration of the Championship. Additional detail on this requirement is available in Notice to Competitors Number One.

**4. PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE**

- 4.1. Table outlines the provisional schedule of events.

Date	Time	Event
Tue 14 Mar	1800	Virtual Briefing for team coaches, school support staff and volunteers.
Fri 17 Mar	0745 - 0820	Competitor Registration for Round Robin 1. See also Clause 9.4(d)
	0820	Competitor Briefing for Round Robin 1
	0900	First Scheduled Warning Signal
	Post Racing	Umpire De-Brief
Sat 18 Mar	1030	Competitor Briefing
	1100	First Scheduled Warning Signal
	Post Racing	Umpire De-Brief
Sun 19 Mar	0800	Competitor Daily Briefing via text message to coaches
	0900	First Scheduled Warning Signal
	Not before 1400	Umpire De-Brief and Presentation

**Table 1 - Provisional Schedule**

- 4.2. The Race Committee intend that racing will continue as late as conditions allow until not later than twilight on both the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023.
- 4.3. No warning signal shall be made after 1300 on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023.
- 4.4. Unless excused by the OA, attendance for teams (competitors, coaches and support staff) is compulsory at the following events:
- a) Virtual Briefing (coaches and support staff only)
  - b) Competitors Registration
  - c) Competitors Welcome Briefing
  - d) Presentation

**5. PROVIDED EQUIPMENT**

- 5.1. The event will be sailed in three boat teams using Pacer type dinghies that will be supplied by the OA under NOR Attachment A.
- 5.2. The Race Committee (RC) will assign boats to teams for use in each race.

**6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)**

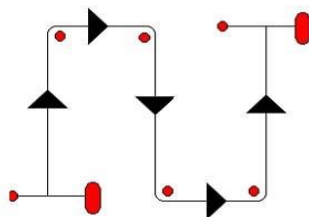
The SIs will be available for download on NSW TSA Website ([Click Here](#)) from 14 March 2023.

**7. VENUE AND RACING AREA (ATTACHMENT B)**

- 7.1. Woollahra Sailing Club is located at 2 Vickery Ave, Rose Bay, Sydney, NSW.
- 7.2. Racing will take place in Rose Bay on Sydney Harbour in the vicinity of Woollahra Sailing Club.

**8. COURSE**

The course to be sailed will be a starboard hand digital N course, consisting of a windward leg, a leeward leg and a windward finish leg. There will be short reaching legs between each of the windward/leeward legs.



Course Diagram (not to scale)

## 9. INTENDED FORMAT

- 9.1. The OA seeks to have up to 24 entries in the 2023 NSWTRC. The intended format is based on 24 teams entering the regatta. The OA reserves the discretion to amend format to meet the final entries.
- 9.2. The format will be adapted to be applied as equitably as possible across final entered teams.
- 9.3. The OA intends the event to consist of the following stages:
- Stage 1 - Qualifying Round Robins
  - Stage 2 - Qualifying Series
  - Stage 3 - Final Series
- 9.4. **Stage 1 - Qualifying Round Robin**
- Scheduled on Friday 17 March.
  - All teams will participate in the qualifying Round Robin (RR).
  - Teams will be divided into 3 pools - 8 teams per pool. The pools will be allocated on a broad seeded basis and intended to split multiple teams from one school across pools.
  - Round Robins will be held for each pool at times allocated in SIs. Teams need to ensure registration is complete 30mins prior to the promulgated RR start time.
  - Each team in the pool will be allocated boats and remain in their allocated boats on water for the duration of the round robin.
  - Following the round robin all teams will be ranked in order determined by their results from the round robin. Ties will be split by points difference resulting from each team's 7 races.
- 9.5. **Stage 2 - Qualifying Series (Modified Swiss League)**
- Scheduled from Friday 18 March to Sunday 19 March 2023.
  - All teams will participate in the Swiss League.
  - Teams will commence the Swiss League in the order determined following Stage 1.
  - As many rounds as possible of the Swiss League will be raced. Incomplete rounds will not be scored.
  - Teams shall be ranked in the order determined by the Swiss League. This changes RRS D4.
- 9.6. **Stage 3 - Final Series (Knock Out Series)**
- Scheduled for Sunday 19 March 2023.
  - The top eight teams from Stage 1 will participate in this stage.
  - The standard finals format applied to all ATSA endorsed events is attached.
- 9.7. The detailed event format will be published in the Sailing Instructions and may change from the intended format.
- 9.8. The Race Committee may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round or stage, when conditions or the remaining time scheduled do not permit the completion of the event format.
- 9.9. If insufficient racing is conducted to reach a clear conclusion to the championship a delayed finals day may be scheduled.

## 10. SCORING

- 10.1. Appendix D3 [Scoring a Race] will apply to all races.
- 10.2. Stage 1 - Qualifying Round Robins will be scored per a round robin series.
- Placings shall be decided using the rankings at the end of the completed round robin determined by the results from all races making up the Round Robin.
  - The Round Robin will be complete when all teams have raced each other team in the pool.
  - Ties will be split by points difference resulting from each team's 7 races.
- 10.3. Stage 2 - Qualifying Series will be scored per the Swiss League.
- Placings shall be decided using the accumulated rankings at the end of the last completed full round.
  - In the case of a Swiss League a round is completed when all teams have raced once.
  - Where a complete round of races cannot be completed no results will be awarded.
  - Ties shall be broken in accordance with the following (Swiss League tie-break):

Rule D4.4 is deleted and replaced with

"Ties will be broken, in order of precedence, in favour of the team(s) that has:

1. if the tie is between two teams only, won the last race between them.
2. sailed more races against teams that have a higher place.
3. sailed fewer races against teams that have a lower place.
4. the lowest sum of the places of the teams the tied teams have beaten.
5. the lowest sum of the places of the teams to which the tied teams have lost.
6. beaten the highest-placed team the tied teams have individually beaten.
7. not been beaten by the lowest-placed team to which the tied teams have individually lost.

*Step 1 will be applied whenever a step leaves a tie between two teams. Steps 2 to 7 will be repeated until no more ties can be broken when remaining ties will be broken:*

8. by the draw for the first round; ties in odd-numbered rounds will use the draw, ties in even-numbered rounds will use the draw inverted."

## **11. SUPPORT BOATS and COACHING**

- 11.1. Support Personnel (RRS Definitions) are allowed on water for Stage 1
- 11.2. Support Personnel (RRS Definitions) are allowed on water for Stage 2 of the event, however no on water coaching is allowed. This rule is entirely to ensure continuity of sailing between changeovers. Support Personnel noted by OA and umpires as coaching will result in boats eliminated from their next race and scored a 6.
- 11.3. Support Personnel (RRS Definitions) are allowed on water for Stage 3 of the event, with on water coaching allowed only between stages of the final series. However, to ensure continuity of sailing all coaching will cease at the first warning signal of each stage of the finals. No coaching will be allowed during a best of 3 or best of 5 finals stage. Support Personnel noted by OA and umpires as coaching will result in boats eliminated from their next race and scored a 6.
- 11.4. At all times Support Personnel must remain at least 50m from the course area in the area beyond marks 3, 4 and the finish boat. Support Personnel may not follow racing around the course.
- 11.5. When requested to assist by the Race Committee, Support Personnel will respond immediately as requested.
- 11.6. Spectator craft shall stay at least 50 metres outside the set course area from the time of the first warning signal of the day until the conclusion of racing for the day, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

## **12. RUBBISH**

No rubbish is to be dumped into the water. All rubbish is to be handed to official boats or taken ashore.

## **13. PRIZES**

- 13.1. The NSWSSSTRC perpetual trophy will be awarded to the first placed NSW secondary school team.
- 13.2. Prizes will be awarded to the members of the winning team.
- 13.3. Other prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

## **14. QUALIFICATION FOR SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

- 14.1. The results of the 2023 NSWSSSTRC will be used by NSWTSA for the selection and nomination of crews to represent NSW in the 2023 Australian Secondary Schools Team Racing Championship (ASSTRC) to be hosted in QLD, currently proposed for 4 - 9 July 2023 (date to be confirmed).
- 14.2. Initially, three teams, including the highest ranked female team, will qualify for representation at the ASSTRC. These teams along with the next 2 highest finishing Open teams and next highest female team will be nominated by NSWTSA for representation at the 2023 ASSTRC.
- 14.3. Teams wishing to be considered for selection to the 2023 ASSTRC must comply with the following criteria before their selection is confirmed (these criteria do not apply to general event entry; for these refer to NoR Clause 2):
  - h) All sailors shall be a bona fide student at the New South Wales Secondary School nominated in the entry;



- i) A team may consist of up to eight members, of which any combination of six may sail subject to the minimum total combined crew weight being maintained; and
  - j) The combined crew weight of the six team members who are sailing at any one time shall not be less than 300kg. Team members shall be weighed in dry T-shirt and shorts only. No make-up ballast is allowed.
- 14.4. Note that, should the NoR for the 2023 ASSTRC state differently, then it shall prevail as to the requirement for qualification. The NoR for the 2023 ASSTRC will be available on the ATSA website ([Click Here](#)) from end of March 2023.

**15. RISK WARNING**

- 15.1. The OA advises anyone who participates in sailing events conducted by the OA that participation in the sport of sailing, whether racing or otherwise, can be dangerous and can result in harm, personal injury and property damage. The OA is not responsible for any harm or injury suffered by any person in any sailing event of whatever nature conducted by the OA. All participants acknowledge that competing in yachting events may be dangerous and may result in harm or personal injury and they participate in such events aware of such dangers and voluntarily accept any risk of harm.

**16. HOST CLUB RISK MANAGEMENT**

- 16.1. The WSC risk management plan is available at <https://www.woollahrasailingclub.org.au/the-club/safety>.

**17. LIABILITY DISCLAIMER**

- 17.1. All those taking part in this championship do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to RRS 3 which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". The organising authority, sponsors, class associations, the race committee and other race officials are not responsible for any damage or injury either afloat or ashore.
- 17.2. All those taking part in this championship are reminded of their obligations as set out in the AS Special Regulations clause 1.02 Responsibility of the Person in Charge.

**18. INSURANCE**

All participants are required to have adequate third-party insurance for this event.

**19. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

In participating, a competitor automatically grants to the OA and any sponsors the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in which the competitor participates, and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

**20. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information about the event or Woollahra Sailing Club please contact:

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**NSWTSa Website**

<http://nswtsa.com/>

**ATTACHMENT A - ADDENDUM A to APPENDIX LG OF THE RRS 2021 - 2024**

**BOATS SUPPLIED BY THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

**A1 BOATS**

- A1.1 Boats will be supplied for all competitors, who shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way except that
- (a) a compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
  - (b) wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
  - (c) hulls, centreboards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water;
  - (d) adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
  - (e) all fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided that the class rules are complied with.
- A1.2 All equipment supplied with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.
- A1.3 The penalty for not complying with one of the above instructions is disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.
- A1.4 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the organizing authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, is disqualification from the race most recently sailed.



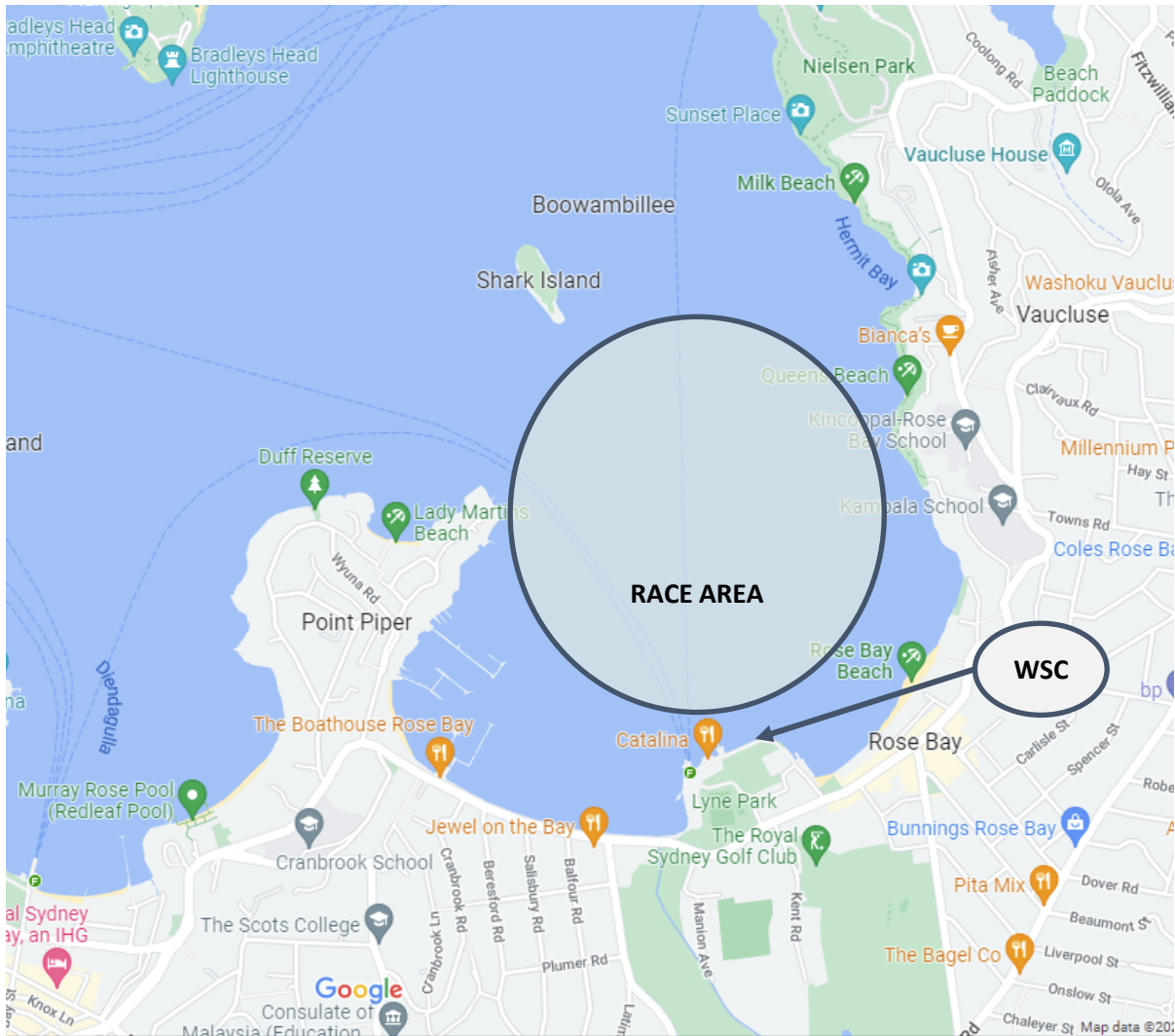
**ATTACHMENT B - VENUE AND RACE AREA**

**Woollahra Sailing Club**

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**Website:** [www.woollahrasailingclub.org.au](http://www.woollahrasailingclub.org.au)

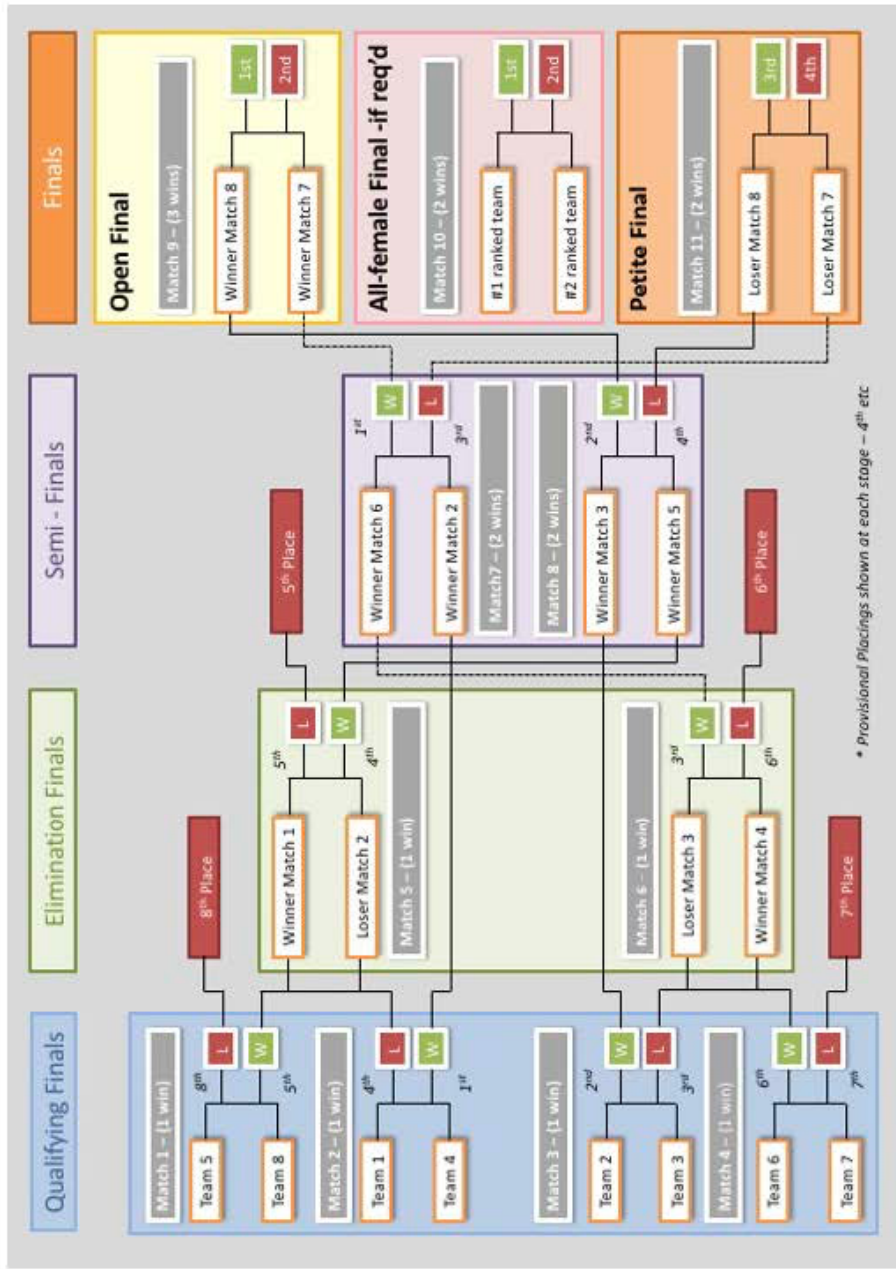
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**ATTACHMENT C - FINALS FORMAT**

**Attachment C – FINALS FORMAT – 8 Qualifying teams – Knock Out Format**

Note: All-female Final shown if required – see Sailing Instructions.



**Scoring**

- Winner of Matches 1-6 will be 1<sup>st</sup> team to score 1 race win.
- Winner of matches 7, 8, 10 and 11 will be 1<sup>st</sup> team to score 2 race wins.
- Winner of Match 9 will be 1<sup>st</sup> team to score 3 race wins.

**Contingencies**

- In the event Final series is not completed, respective provisional placings shown in table will prevail, subject to SI's and RRS App D.
- Should the OA determine it is not possible to complete all the matches in the Final Series, early stages may be deleted or amended in favour of later stages
- The order in which matches are raced may be amended to suit prevailing conditions and boat allocation.