

Notice of Series / Race

2021/22 VIC-Sailing League: (U22 & Open)



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GENERAL INFORMATION

The **VIC-Sailing League (VIC-SL)** is a regatta series for the best sailing clubs in Victoria & a pathway for clubs to qualify to compete in the **SAILING Champions League: Asia Pacific - Finals** in Newcastle in March 2022. The 2021/22 VIC-SL season consists of the following events:

- ~~VIC-SL: Leg 1 (SYC - 26 September 2021) (CANCELLED)~~
- ~~VIC-SL: Leg 2 (RBYC - 31 October 2021) (CANCELLED)~~
- **VIC-SL: Leg 3** (RYCV - 28 November 2021)
- **VIC-SL: Leg 4 / BYS Interclub J70 Youth Regatta** (BYS - 18 Dec 2021) – [refer separate BYS NOR/SI's](#)
- **VIC-SL: FINAL @ Festival of Sails** (RGYC - 22 January 2022)

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is NSL Management Services P/L (NSL) in association with each of the host clubs identified as the Host Club in the table in Section 2.

2. VENUE, EVENT DATES & ENTRY FEES

The venue, event date & entry fees for the event is as follows:

Event	Event Dates	Venue & Club	Entry Fee*	Entries Close
VIC-SL: Leg 1	Sunday 26 th September 2021	Sandringham Yacht Club (SYC)	\$500+gst	12 th Sept 2021
VIC-SL: Leg 2	Sunday 31 st October 2021	Royal Brighton Yacht Club (RBYC)	\$500+gst	17 th Oct 2021
VIC-SL: Leg 3	Sunday 28 th November 2021	Royal Yacht Club of Victoria (RYCV)	\$500+gst	12 th Nov 2021
VIC-SL: Leg 4 @ BYS Interclub J70 Youth Regatta	Saturday 18 th December 2021	Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron	Refer to Separate NOR	Refer to Separate NOR
VIC-SL: FINAL @ Festival of Sails	Saturday 22 nd January 2022	Royal Geelong Yacht Club	\$600+gst	By invitation

* There is a 20% discount for Clubs / Teams entering in all Legs of the Series.

3. EVENT FORMAT

Each regatta is a short course umpired fleet racing event. Each race is sailed between identical one-design boats. Each race is 10-15 minutes. Teams rotate / regroup as the event progresses ensuring all teams sail against other teams as many times as practical.

Teams are allocated to a boat in a race or group of races using the Pairing List / Grouping List which will be published before the first warning signal of the first day of racing.

Each regatta consists of a Qualifying Series & a Final Series. At the end of the Qualifying Series the top 2 teams from each Group qualify for the Final Series. The first boat to win two races in the Final Series is the winner of the regatta.

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The Race Committee may change the format, terminate or eliminate any flight or race, when conditions or the remaining time scheduled do not permit the completion of the intended format.

4. COURSE

Courses will be windward/leeward. Course area details can be found in the Sailing Instructions & posted on the event website.

5. BOATS & SAILS

The event will be sailed on the boats provided by the OA using only the equipment (sails, rig, sheets etc) provided by the OA.

6. CREW

The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4. Two members of the crew shall be female & two shall be males (ie Mixed teams).

The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.

When a registered skipper or crew is unable to continue in the event the Race Committee may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

7. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

This event will be run in accordance with Victorian COVIDsafe guidelines as well as host club COVID plans and policies. All participants will be required to be double vaccinated and show proof of vaccination (or exemption) as well as comply with all host club policies and procedures.

All team members shall be current financial members of their participating clubs. All team members must have a current & active Identification number from their Member National Authority (eg Australian Sailing Number).

There will be up to 10 teams participating in each event (Leg). The OA reserves the right to change the number of participating teams.

Teams may enter one, or more Leg, with each Leg considered a separate regatta but a part of the VIC-Sailing League (Series).

There is no restriction on crew World Sailing category.

There is no crew weight limit.

Crew must be at least 14 years old. The helmsman must be at least 16 years old unless approved by the OA. U22 (Youth) crew must be less than 22 years old as at 1st January 2023.

Entries must be received no later than the date specified in clause 2 & be via the online form available here: [Online Entry Form](#). Further Skipper & Crew details will be sought after entry is received.

Entries may be registered without payment of the Entry Fee specified in Clause 2 at time of entry. The payment of the entry fee shall be made by the Entry Closing date. If more than 10 teams have registered their entry, allocations will be made based on receipt of the Entry Fee.

Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of Race Committee, & if accepted will be subject to a late fee of 50% of the Entry Fee.

Crew details shall be provided no later than 1 week prior to the first warning signal. Crew changes shall be notified in writing to the Race Committee no later than first warning signal.

8. PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

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The indicative programme for each event is as follows. Changes to the event programme will be published on the Event website

- **0900 - 0915: Briefing**
- **1000 - 1130: Session 1** (Group A races 4-5 races back to back)
- **1130 - 1300: Session 2** (Group B races 4-5 races back to back)
- **1300 - 1430: Session 3** (Group A races 4-5 races back to back)
- **1430 - 1600: Session 4** (Group B races 4-5 races back to back)
- **1600 - 1700: FINAL FOUR** (top four teams (1st & 2nd from each group) race until one team wins two races)

9. SELECTION FOR 2021/22 VIC-SAILING LEAGUE: FINALS

The top four placed teams from **each** Leg (including the newly included Leg 4 / BYS Interclub J70 Youth Regatta will automatically qualify and invited to enter the VIC-Sailing League: FINAL with the following exceptions:

- a. If a team has already qualified at a previous Leg, their position in their subsequent Leg(s) is still recognised however their qualification place is passed onto the next eligible team,
- b. there shall be no more than three teams from any one club competing in the VIC-Sailing League: FINALS. It shall be up to the club to determine which of its three teams / sailors it chooses to represent it in the VIC-Sailing League: FINAL.

It should be noted that the top Open & top U22 teams from the VIC-Sailing League – FINAL shall gain direct qualification / invitation to the respective SAILING Champions League: Asia Pacific – FINAL's and not have to qualify through the SCL:AP-Qualifier events.

- **2022 SCL: Asia Pacific – FINAL (U22):** Newcastle 19/20 Mar 2022
- **2022 SCL: Asia Pacific – FINAL (Open):** Newcastle 26/27 Mar 2022

It should be noted that U22 teams are also eligible to compete in the Open division and Open Finals.

Additional teams may be invited at the discretion of the OA.

10. RULES

Each event will be governed by

- Racing Rules of Sailing, including Addendum Q rules for umpired fleet races, each as modified by the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions; and,
- Prescriptions & Special Regulations Part 2 of Australian Sailing; and,
- Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for each event.
- Boat Handling & Other Rules published in or as addenda to the Sailing Instructions.

RS21 Class rules will not apply.

The Official Notice Board (ONB) for each event is online at <http://sailing-championsleague.asia>

11. PROTESTS

All racing will be fully umpired.

RRS 60.1 is deleted & replaced with; *'Except as provided in the Umpired Fleet Racing Addendum to the Sailing Instructions, a boat shall not protest another boat or request redress.'*

12. ADVERTISING

Each boat may be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.

If required by the Organising Authority, each crew will:

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- Wear the event supplied bib at all times while on the water;
- Display the event supplied battle flag at all times while on the boat;
- Only display advertising in accordance with SCL-AP Competitor Advertising Guidelines which can found on the ONB.

13. COACH & SUPPORT BOATS

Coach or support boats are allowed, however must obey the direction of the OA.

14. INSURANCE

All competitors are required to have personal injury insurance. Note: current financial members of Australian Sailing comply with this requirement.

15. DAMAGE DEPOSIT

An initial damage deposit of \$2,000 shall be paid prior to completion of registration. This deposit may be made by the competing club and be applied to all teams representing that club for the series rather than a new deposit being required for each team & each leg.

Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded immediately following the event / series. In the case of damage, the OA will decide if some or all of the deposit will be used for the damages. The excess of the participant is limited to the amount of the deposit per claim, unless the damage was caused wilfully or grossly negligent. If several cases of damage occur to a participant within a regatta, he/she can participate in the repair of the damage per claim with the amount of the deposit. If the cost of repairing a claim is less than the amount of the deposit, the participant will receive the remaining amount from his deposit.

16. MEDIA, IMAGES, SOUND, TRACKING

If required by the OA:

- Media personnel & equipment supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.
- Competitors shall wear microphones & cameras supplied by the OA during racing & be available for interviews when advised by the OA or RC.
- Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.

Competitors shall not interfere with the working of any supplied media or tracking equipment.

The OA have the right to use any images & sound recorded during the event free of charge.

17. PRIVACY POLICY

All data regarding participating athletes will be utilised & archived by us for the purpose of each event & the Sailing Champions League series. Personal information includes the participant's real name, date of birth, & home club. In particular, results, & visual analyses, position monitoring & race analyses will be published with reference to the competitors' names. In order to achieve this, your data will be transferred to our service providers & to governing bodies including Sailing Champions League GMBH & World Sailing. It cannot be ruled out that your data will be processed outside of Australia. Our service providers & governing bodies have been or will be committed by us, to exclusively use your data for the event & its preparation & post processing, including ranking lists & global multi event scorecards. Commercial use of your data is prohibited. The use of your data is governed by Australian law.

18. FINE PRINT (but it's still important)

The responsibility for the decision to participate in a race or to continue with it is solely with the skipper; to that extent the skipper also accepts full responsibility for the crew. The skipper is responsible for the qualification & the correct nautical conduct of the crew.

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In cases of Force Majeure or on grounds of administrative orders or for safety reasons, the organiser is entitled to make changes in the realisation of an event or to cancel an event. This does not constitute any liability by the organiser towards the participant, if the reasons for the changes or the cancellation do not result from a wilful or grossly negligent behaviour of the organiser. In case of a violation of obligations that do not constitute primary or material contractual duties (cardinal obligations), the liability of the organiser for financial & property damages incurred by the participant during or in connection with the participation in the event & resulting from a conduct of the organiser, its representatives, servants or agents, is restricted to damages that were caused wilfully or grossly negligent. When a violation of cardinal obligations occurs due to minor negligence, the liability of the organiser is limited to foreseeable, typical damages. To the extent that the liability for damages of the organiser is excluded or restricted, the participant also relieves the staff – employees & representatives, agents, servants, sponsors & individuals who provide or drive salvage, safety or rescue vessels or assist with their use from the individual liability for damages, as well as also all other individuals who were instructed to act in connection with the realisation of the event. The effective racing rules of World Sailing, the administrative regulations regatta-sailing, the class rules as well as the regulations of the invitation to the competition & the sailing instructions are to be complied with & are expressly recognised.

VIC law shall prevail.

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