# Mooloolaba Yacht Club



# **Mooloolaba Off the Beach Racing**

### Mooloolaba Bay, Mooloolaba

# Mooloolaba Winter Series 08 June – 24 August 2025 NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Mooloolaba Yacht Club (MYC). Clubs' Precinct, Mooloolaba, Marina, 33 - 45 Parkyn Parade, Mooloolaba Qld 4557

#### 2. VENUE

- 2.1 The series will be conducted in the Mooloolaba Bay in an area between Alexander Headlands and Maroochydore Surf Club keeping clear of the 300metre exclusion zone from the Mooloolah River bar and outside the exclusion zone of the nearby shark nets.
- 2.2 Competitors and parents of competitors must be aware that ALL waters in Mooloolaba Bay outside the Mooloolah River Bar are classified by MSQ as UNPROTECTED.
- 2.3 Off the Beach boats and other craft are encouraged to launch from the designated beach area on the Mooloolaba Spit (Beach Access 195).
- 2.4 Alternatively, boats may launch from a designated area in the Mooloolah River and sail or be towed, at their discretion, through the Mooloolah River bar. Vessels navigating the Mooloolah River must avoid other pleasure and commercial vessels using the river.

#### 3 RULES

- 3.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) as modified by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 3.2 The Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 1 July 2024 and The Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 2 July 2024, for Off the Beach Boats, shall apply.
- 3.3 Class rules will apply for each participating class. As per AS special Regulations Part 2, Section 5.01.1The wearing of a Lifejacket by all crew members is mandatory at all times while afloat except briefly whilst adjusting clothing. Lifejackets must comply with Lifejackets -AS Special Regulations Part 2, Section 5.01.2.

Lifejackets shall comply with one of the following:

- (a) Australian Standard AS4758-2015 or
- (b) Australian Standard AS1512-1996 for PFD Type 1 or
- (c) Australian Standard AS1499-1996 for PFD Type 2 or
- (d) Australian Standard AS2260-1996 for PFD Type 3 or

(e) An equivalent or more stringent overseas standard

And shall be branded with the respective standard authority's mark of approval. Lifejackets shall be in good repair and be marked with the name of the owner (AS Special Regulations 5.01.4-5.01.5)

- 3.4 Sails The use of non-class approved Laser sails (such as Intensity sails) is permitted provided they remain within class measurement rules.
- 3.5 Undersize sails will be allowed, while maintaining the class rating. The rating for Lasers will be that of the lowest Australian Sailing Rating (ASY) sail used in the series. The rating for other boats will be that of theirs (ASY).
- 3.6 No age limit will apply to ILCA 4
- 3.7 Non-class compliant boats will only be allowed to compete for handicap prizes and will have a starting rating allocated by the race committee.

#### **4 ADVERTISING**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority in accordance with Rule 6.1 - World Sailing Advertising Code.

#### 5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The events are open to off-the-beach classes:

Divisions grouped as follows:		
Division 1:	Multi-hull boats	
Division 2:	Mono-hull boats other than junior classes (e.g. ILCA's)	
Division 3:	Junior classes (e.g. Optimists, Sabots and Open Skiff BIC's)	
Division 4:	Green Fleet	
Division 5:	Foiling craft (Nikkis, Wing Foil)	
Division 6:	Windsurfer LT's	

- 5.1 To be eligible for race scores at any event, skippers, competitors and crew must be:(i) an active financial, sailing members of an AS sailing club or association with a current AS Number or.
  - (ii) have obtained a SailPass prior to racing.
- 5.2 All competitors must sign on and sign off and ensure that boat identification, including any rig change, is accurate. Failure to comply may result in protest and disqualification and /or no result being awarded where identification is difficult.
- 5.3 Registration will be available from a link on the MYC website (<u>https://www.mooloolabayachtclub.com.au/</u>) from Tuesday 27th May 2025.
- 5.4 Entries close at 23:59 on Wednesday 04JUNE 2025. For late entry contact the Organising Authority.
- 5.5 An entry fee of \$120 is payable per entry for the series. Alternatively, a casual race entry fee of \$30 per race day is payable in lieu of the series entry. However, "race day only" entrants will not be eligible for series awards and prizes.

#### 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions (SI's) will be posted on the Mooloolaba Yacht Club website by Friday 31 May 2025. The SI's may be amended by the Race Officer up to 15 minutes before the Race Briefing.

#### 7 COURSES

The courses will be windward – leeward, and possibly triangular, depending on the weather and seas conditions on the day of the event. Courses will be as described in the MYC Sailing Instructions. The Race Officer, depending on the conditions and location of the course, may set an upwind finish.

#### 8 SCHEDULE

8.1 The series will be sailed on the following dates (all Sundays):

Date	Course Format
08 JUNE	Short course
29 JUNE	Long course
27 JULY	Short course
10 AUGUST	Long course
24 AUGUST	Short course

#### 8.2 Events Timetable

Competitor briefings will be at 11:30am in the MYC Clubroom.

The first warning for the first race each day will not before 12:30pm.

The warning signal for the last race each day not after 3:30pm.

2 races will be scheduled on 'Long Course' days (target time 40 minutes per race).

5 races will be scheduled on 'Short Course' days (target time 15 minutes per race).

#### 9 LIABILITY

All those taking part in races conducted by Mooloolaba Yacht Club do so at their own risk and responsibility. Mooloolaba Yacht Club, its officers and volunteers accept no responsibility whatsoever for the seaworthiness of boats whose entries are accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

Attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3: The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

Mooloolaba Yacht Club, its officers and volunteers accept no responsibility whatsoever for loss or damage to boats or equipment or personal injury or death.

#### **10 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$10 million per incident or the equivalent.

#### **11 Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places for the series.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Please contact:

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A barbeque and prize giving will be held at the Mooloolaba Yacht Club after racing on 24 August 2025. Mooloolaba off the Beach Racing Winter Series NOR 22MAY2025.docx Alternatively scan or upload the QR Code below:



For further information please contact Greg Walker (0459 103 214).