



AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL A-DIVISION CATAMARAN ASSOCIATION Inc.

2026 A Class Catamaran Victorian Championships



Safety Beach Sailing Club
185 Marine Dr, Safety Beach VIC 3936
Saturday March 7th 2026 – Monday March 9th 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

Australian International A-Division Catamaran Association Inc. (AIADCA), in conjunction with Safety Beach Sailing Club invite entries from A-Division Catamaran Sailors to compete in the 2026 A Class Catamaran Victorian Championships.

The Organising Authority is the Safety Beach Sailing Club (SBSC) in conjunction with the Australian International A-Division Catamaran Association.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2, Off the Beach Boats, shall apply.
- 1.3. Appendix T, Arbitration, and the Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply, and
- 1.4. the class rules of the International A-Division Catamaran Association (IACA),
except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions.
- 1.5 Competitors in the Open Discipline shall wear a safety helmet that complies with or is accredited to EN1385, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. The same is strongly recommended for the Classic Discipline.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The Regatta is classified as a category "C" event
- 2.2 The forward 25% of the hull is reserved by the Regatta Organising Authority for display of advertising by event sponsor(s). Boats intending to carry advertising should provide details of their sponsors on the entry form. Entrants will be advised if they are in conflict with the event sponsor(s). Tobacco advertising shall not be permitted.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to boats of the International A Division class and skippers who are financial members of AIADCA and Australian Sailing.

3.2 Boats with current IACA measurement certificates (sail, mast & platform) may compete in the following disciplines:

- Open
- Classic

3.3 Eligible boats may enter online via Sailor App Regatta tab.... 2026 A Class Victorian Championships

3.4 Entries are encouraged as early as possible to assist regatta organisers. Entries shall be made by close of Registration time on 7th March 2026.

4. FEES

4.1 An Entry Fee of \$200 shall be payable to the AIADCA via the Sailor App Regatta tab.... 2026 A Class Victorian Championships

4.2 Complimentary entry is available for AIADCA Life Members and interstate members who are financial for the current season.

5. SCHEDULE OF REGATA

The regatta will schedule one session per day with a maximum of 4 races per session.

Saturday 7th March 2026

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Registration | 1000 – 1100hrs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Information Session | 1100 hrs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Racing | From 1300hrs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Function @yacht club | 1800 hrs |

Sunday 8th March 2026

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Racing | From 1000hrs |
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Monday 9th March 2026

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Racing | From 1000hrs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation | After racing |

- ☐ No Warning signal will be made after 14:00 hrs on Monday 9th March 2026.

6. MEASUREMENT

6.1 Competitors shall have current measurement certificates for sail, mast and platform used in the regatta

6.2 New sails, boats and equipment must be measured before arriving at championship.
Facilities will not be available at the venue to undertake fundamental measurement

6.3 The Measurer may spot check boats at any time during the Regatta.
A boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the Measurers. Boats failing to measure in accordance with the rules will be scored DSQ from all races prior.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available online in Sailor App and at SBSC at Registration

8. VENUE

The event will be conducted by SBSC. The Regatta will be sailed on the waters of Port Philip adjacent to SBSC.

9. COURSE

The Course and Course area will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11. SCORING

11.1 Up to 9 races are scheduled of which 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 The Low Point Scoring as per RRS Appendix A4 will apply.

11.3 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.4 When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. PRIZES

12.1 The winners will receive the Perpetual Trophy Open and Classic disciplines.

12.2 Prizes will also be awarded for the first 3 places overall Open and Classic disciplines.

12.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the AIADCA.

This may include trophies or prizes to the highest placed sailors in Retro and divisions,

- Retro (straight boards, no deck-sweeper)
- Junior (under 25),
- Masters (45-54),
- Grand Master (55-64),
- Great Grand Masters (65+), and
- Women's division.

Age shall be determined as at 1st January 2026.

13. SAFETY

13.1 Appropriate approved buoyancy aids shall be worn in accordance with Australian Sailing Special Regulation Part 2.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16. INSURANCE

All boats shall have third party insurance cover of not less than AU\$5,000.000 (AU\$10,000,000 recommended). All competitors who sign the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold valid Insurance.

17. BOAT & TRAILER STORAGE, CAR PARKING

Car and Boat storage is available adjacent to the club.

18. ACCOMMODATION & CATERING

SBSC have a café and fully equipped bar and restaurant which is available at times during the regatta. A social function is planned for the Saturday night.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

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