



Maricat NSW & ACT

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS),
- 1.2 by the Prescriptions of Australian Sailing,
- 1.3 by part 2 of the Australian Sailing Special Regulations and by the Class Rules and By-Laws of the MARICAT Association of NSW & ACT Inc, except as any of these are altered by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 (SP) Australian Sailing Special Regulation Part 2 Off the Beach Boats, Section 5.01 Personal Flotation Devices will apply. It is the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that the personal flotation devices comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in the regulations.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Entry is open to all MARICATS for which at least one Full Membership for the 2025/2026 summer season has been paid to the Association. The nominated helmsperson shall be a member of the MARICAT Association of NSW & ACT Inc. and the forward hand (if applicable) must be nominated at the time of entry.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may pre-enter by completing the entry form, attached to this Notice Of Race, and emailing the entry with receipt of electronic payment, to the email address on the Entry Form. Registration can also be complete at the regatta at the scheduled time.
- 3.3 The following Entry Fees will apply:
 - a. \$90.00 – Maricat National Titles Fee
 - b. \$20.00 - Association membership fee for summer 2025/26 for non-current members.
- 3.4 Pre-entries will be received by the Organising Authority **no later than 10.00 hours 7th February 2026.**
- 3.5 All competitors under 16 years of age as at 7th February must be named on the entry form which must be signed by a parent or guardian.

4 DIVISIONS

- 4.1 All Maricat configurations welcome and divisions will be at the discretion of the Maricat Association and will be in the sailing instructions and may change depending on numbers in classes.

5 SCHEDULE

Date	Event	Time
Sat 7 th Feb	Registration	0900 to 1100
	Competitor Briefing	1130
	First Warning Signal not before	1200
	No Warning Signal after	1600
Sun 8 th Feb	First Warning Signal not before	1000
	No Warning Signal after	1400

- 5.1 Six races are scheduled for the Championship.
- 5.2 No more than four races shall be conducted on any one day of the Championship.

6 MEASUREMENT

Each boat and all equipment shall comply with the class rules. The Race Committee or Class measurer reserves the right to inspect any boat or equipment at any time for compliance with the class rules.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

8 VENUE

The Championship will be conducted from Queens Lake Sailing Club (QLSC) located at Ocean Drive, WEST HAVEN, NSW. The racing area will be the waters of Queens Lake. Attachment A shows the regatta site and the racing area.

9 COURSES

The Course will be triangular and will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 Six races are scheduled for the Championship.
- 10.2 Three races shall be completed to constitute the Championship.
- 10.3 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.
- 10.4 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.5 Australian Sailing Appendix A low point scoring will be used.
- 10.6 Australian Sailing Yardsticks will be used.

11 PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded for places in all classes in the Championship and special awards will be presented at the associations discretion.

12 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.

13 DISCLAIMER

- 13.1 It is the competitor's decision to enter or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry competitors shall indemnify the Organising Authority, Queens Lake Sailing Club, their officers, members, servants and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation.

13.2 The Organising Authority, Queens Lake Sailing Club, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in an Event or howsoever arising in connection with an Event.

14 INSURANCE

All competing boats shall certify, by entering, that they carry third party liability insurance of an amount of not less than AU\$10,000,000.

For further information contact

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**Attachment A to
2026 MARICAT NSW National Championship Notice of Race**

Regatta Site and Racing Area



Directions

Queens Lake Sailing Club is located on the Mid-North Coast of NSW in the Camden Haven region.

From South:

Approximately 4 hours north of Hornsby. Drive north on the Pacific Highway and take the Kew exit.

From North:

Drive south approx. 20min after Port Macquarie and take the Kew exit.

Follow the signs to Laurieton/North Haven.

The club is 5km East of the Pacific Highway off Ocean Parade.

Boats and trailers may be left at the club.

