



Hobie Queensland State Championships

3rd – 5th October 2026

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)



ORGANISING AUTHORITY

LAKE COOTHARABA SAILING CLUB



The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee be less than disqualification. This changes Rule 64.2

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The Australian Sailing prescriptions and special regulations Part 2 apply.
- 1.3. The Class rules of the International Hobie Association shall apply
- 1.4. Appendix T – Arbitration will apply. 18.
- 1.5 Competitors must follow all Club Policies (<https://lcsc.org.au>)
- 1.6 Racing Rule 40 will be changed as follows:

Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices whilst afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. Changes RRS Rule 40.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after TBD communication
- 2.2 The online official notice board is located at LCSC club house.
- 2.3 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to the following class legal boats of the International Hobie Class Association: Hobie 16 (Open, Youth, Women, Masters, Grand Masters) **all sailing on open weight with one start**, Hobie 14, Hobie 14 Turbo, Hobie 17, Hobie
- 3.2. A minimum of 5 entries is required to form a class. If sufficient entries for a class are not received by 2nd October 2024 the Organising Authority reserves the right to make other arrangements for boats entered in that class, which may entail a mixed fleet.
- 3.3. At least one crew member on each boat shall be a financial member of an association or fleet which is a financial member with the IHCA. IHCA General Rule 26 shall apply.
- 3.4. Boats may enter the event by registering online at <https://qld.hobiecat.asn.au/event/2026-queensland-state-championships-lake-cootharaba/> together with the required fee
- 3.5. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 3.6. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

4. FEES

- 4.1. Entry fee shall be as below:

	One person boat	Two Person Boat	Youth Entry
Entry by 28 th September 2026	\$205	\$230	\$215
Entry from 27 th September 2026	\$230	\$250	\$215

- 4.2. Any Refunds will be as per the LCSC Sailing Refunds Policies (add a link if needed)

5. ADVERTISING

- 5.1. Advertising will be as defined by World Sailing Regulation 20.
- 5.2. Boats may be provided with, and required to display and maintain, sponsor stickers on port and starboard hulls, in a location as described in Regulation 20.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1.

Date	Event	Time/First Warning
3/10/2026	Registration and weigh-in Briefing First Warning not before	0900 hrs-1000 hrs 1100 hrs 1230 hrs Maximum 3 races back-to-back
4/10/2026	First Warning not before Dinner at the Pub	1000hrs Morning - 2-3 races back-to-back Return to shore - Lunch Break Afternoon - 2-3 races back-to-back Maximum of 3 races back-to-back 1830hrs
5/10/2026	First Warning not before Presentation	1000 hrs Target of 3 races back-to-back Maximum of 4 races back-to-back\\ Presentation at LCSC Club House. As soon as possible After Racing

- 6.2. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1430
- 6.3. A maximum of 11 races are scheduled.
- 6.4. No more than 4 races shall be sailed on any one Session
- 6.5. In an effort to keep the regatta entry fee to a minimum, there will be no formal presentation dinner for this event. The presentation will be held as soon as possible following completion of racing in the club house.
- 6.6. There will be dinner at the apollonian hotel

7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION / MEASUREMENT

- 7.1. Measurement is not required, but it is the responsibility of each skipper to ensure their boat complies with the IHCA Class Rules.
- 7.2. Random measurement and inspection checks may be carried out at any time during the regatta.

8. VENUE

- 8.1. NoR Attachment A shows the plan of the event venue.
- 8.2. NoR Attachment B shows the location of the racing areas.

9. COURSES

- 9.1. The courses to be sailed and marks to be used will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. For all Hobie classes, RRS Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2. When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.3. When from 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 12.1. Support person vessels shall be marked with a white flag with black letters "RC" or White flag with red letters "Media".

13. RISK STATEMENT

- 13.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

14. INSURANCE

- 14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000AUD per incident or the equivalent.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1. LCSC Website <https://lcsc.org.au/contact/>
- 15.2. Qld Hobie Class Association: Andrew Warneke 0403 806 897 or Rob Branch 0402 982 913
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15.6. LOCATION INFORMATION

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- 15.8. Link to LCSC NB View the LCSC Notice Board to access Sailing Instructions, Entry, Amendments and more

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- 15.10. Accommodation: Ample and varied accommodation is available in the local area. Early bookings