

Event: The Yacht Sales Co Sail Paradise 2026, 3 - 5 October 2026
Issued by: Southport Yacht Club Inc, Organising Authority
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Subject: Notice of Race Amendment 1

The Notice of Race for The Yacht Sales Co Sail Paradise 2026 has been amended. Amendment 1 takes effect from the date and time of this notice.

An updated Notice of Race incorporating Amendment 1 is available on the event website at www.sailparadise.com.au and on the Official Notice Board at <https://www.sailparadise.com.au/notice-board/>. Amended text is shown in red in the published Notice of Race.

Competitors should read the following items carefully. Some affect division allocation, scoring and pre-event requirements.

DIVISION NAMING – TREX RATING DIVISION

TREX has been confirmed as the naming rights partner of the Rating Divisions for the 2026 regatta.

The Monohull Rating Division is now referred to as the TREX Rating Division. This applies to event documentation, results, signage and entry listings, including the TopYacht entry system.

This is a naming change only. Division eligibility, entry requirements, scoring and the conduct of racing are unchanged.

DIVISION STRUCTURE – AUSTRALIAN YACHTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Where the TREX Rating Division is divided, each division will be scored separately, and a separate Australian Champion will be determined for each division. There will be no combined result across divisions. This differs from previous years.

As provided in the Notice of Race, the Race Committee may create additional divisions within a Division and allocate boats at its sole discretion. Boats will be grouped to place like boats together, having regard to rating, design and performance characteristics.

Final division allocations will be determined after the close of entries and published on the Official Notice Board before the first Skippers Briefing.

SCORING – TREX RATING DIVISION

[SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY]

Where the TREX Rating Division is divided, each division will be scored under IRC and ORC, with a separate Australian Champion determined for each division.

PHS will continue to be scored within the TREX Rating Division. A boat placing in the first three overall under any rating or measurement handicap system in her division is not eligible for a podium placing under PHS in that division.

Scoring for all other divisions is unchanged.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS

Section 10 of the Notice of Race, previously titled “Equipment Inspection”, is now titled “Technical Committee Equipment Inspections”.

An additional inspection day has been added to the Schedule of Events so that all entries can be inspected.

Inspection times are now:

DAY	TECHNICAL COMMITTEE EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS
Thursday 1 October 2026	1145 - 1600 hrs
Friday 2 October 2026	0800 - 1600 hrs

Booking your inspection

Entrants shall book an equipment inspection time using the Australian Sailing booking form at:

<https://www.sailing.org.au/events/378922>

Inspection order will be determined by the time selected on the booking form. Boats are encouraged to book early. Marina availability is limited and some boats may not be able to berth until Friday.

CREW LIMITATIONS

The Notice of Race provides that the maximum number of crew shall be the number shown on the certificate, except that where the crew includes at least two females, at least two crew aged 25 years or under as of 3 October 2026, or at least one female and one crew member aged 25 years or under as of 3 October 2026, the crew limit is the certificate number plus one. There is no weight limit.

Clarification for boats racing under ORC

This provision amends IRC Rule 22.4.2 and applies to boats racing under IRC.

It does not modify the ORC Rating Rules. Under ORC, crew weight is a rated parameter. A boat racing under ORC that intends to carry additional crew under this provision shall ensure her declared crew weight is correctly reflected on her ORC certificate.

Competitors intending to rely on this provision while racing under ORC should contact their rating authority early, as re-rating can take time.

SCHEDULE - SATURDAY FIRST WARNING SIGNAL

The first warning signal on Saturday 3 October 2026 will be not before 1025 hrs.

Warning signals on Sunday 4 October and Monday 5 October remain not before 0955 hrs. The Skippers Briefing remains at 0800 hrs each racing day.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available online at www.sailparadise.com.au from 1800 hrs on 25 September 2026 and at Registration.

Printed Sailing Instructions will be provided in A4 format. Detailed course maps will be published separately as a course booklet.

ALL OTHER PROVISIONS

All other provisions of the Notice of Race remain unchanged.

Questions

Competitors with questions about this notice should contact the Sailing Office.

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