

UniSport Australia Guideline

Sailing – Teams Racing

Open

UniSport Australia (UniSport) sailing competitions are conducted in accordance with World Sailing rules as defined in the [Racing Rules of Sailing](#), except where these differ from UniSport rules; in which case the latter shall take precedence. Reference should be made to the UniSport *Breach of Competition Requirements* guideline for penalties related to breaches.

1. Team/squad size

- Minimum registered sailors – 6
 - Maximum registered sailors – 8
 - Maximum cross registrations – 3
- 1.1. All members of the team must be current members of a club affiliated with Australian Sailing (AS) and therefore hold a current AS member number.

2. Competition format

- 2.1. The organising authority may choose a format consisting of round robin or swiss league system, with or without final, at its own discretion.
- 2.2. The competition shall be conducted over a minimum three days of racing.
- 2.3. Any combination of weight and gender is permitted per crew, per race.

3. Point score

- 3.1. Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix D – Teams Racing, sections D3 *Scoring a Race* and D4 *Scoring an Event*. The event winner will be determined according to Appendix D, section D4.

4. Safety and uniform requirements

- 4.1. AS Safety Regulations Part 2 for off the beach boats shall apply.
- 4.2. All competitors shall supply their own approved Lifejacket as specified in [AS Special Regulation Part 2](#) '5.01 Lifejackets' and shall wear it at all times whilst afloat.
- 4.3. Competitors should heed the advice listed in the [AS Special Regulation Part 2](#) – Regulation 5 '5.02 Personal Clothing'

5. Forfeits, delays and abandonments

- 5.1. Salining teams are subject to penalties under the UniSport guideline – *Breach of Competition Requirements*.
- 5.2. A forfeit for a team will be declared 5 minutes after the scheduled start where a team has failed to reach the start line.
- 5.3. Should the commencement of a race be delayed due to no fault of either team (as determined by competition management or UniSport), the race shall be conducted in full if possible. If full duration is not possible, the revised race will need to be agreed upon by all teams concerned. If resolution between the teams is not possible then the competition manager (or their delegate) will make the final decision regarding race format, which will not be subject to appeal.

Previous rule amendments

August 1998 | May 2010 | May 2012 | May 2014 | February 2015 | April 2017 | June 2018 | March 2019 | January 2021 | July 2023

*All competitions will be held in accordance with the UniSport competition guidelines.