



North Sails 2025 International Finn Australian Championship

12 January 2025 to 17 January 2025

Organising Authority:
The Adelaide Sailing Club Inc (ASC)
In conjunction with
The International Finn Association of Australia (IFAA)

With support from Ingedale Vineyards

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation 'DP' (Discretionary penalty) in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current edition of The Racing Rules of Sailing. Note: 2025-2028 edition will apply.
- 1.2 Australian Sailing Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2 Off the Beach Boats will apply. It will be the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that personal flotation devices comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in Special Regulations 5.01 Personal Flotation Devices and are in good condition.
- 1.3 The class rules of the International Finn Association (IFA) shall apply.
- 1.4 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration may apply.
- 1.6 [NP] Bow numbers will be supplied at registration. A boat that fails to fit bow numbers in a race will be scored as DNC in that race.
- 1.7 Bow numbers should match the boat's sail number where possible.
- 1.8 If there is a clash of sail number with an overseas entrant the first letter of the country will prefix the number.

1.9 Any amendments to this Notice of Race will be posted on the [event website](#) prior to 1st January 2025.

2. Advertising

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

3. Eligibility and Entry

3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the International Finn Class that comply with the Rules of the International Finn Class Association.

3.2 Competitors must be financial members of a National Finn Association and of a club affiliated with their National Sailing Authority.

3.3 Eligible boats may enter via the [event web site](#) with payment of the required fee.

3.4 Entries will be accepted until the 1st of January 2025. Late entries will be accepted until 17:00 hrs on 12th January.

3.5 Age eligibility is determined as the age at the birthday of the year of the event (2025).

4. Fees

4.1 The entry fee is \$330.00 per boat up until the 1st of January 2025.

4.2 The fee for late entries received after the 1st of January shall be \$380.

4.3 The entry fee includes up to two tickets for the welcome function and an event tee shirt.

4.4 Additional tickets and tee shirts will be available via online purchase.

5. Schedule

See next page.

Date	Time	Event
Sunday 12 Jan	1500 -1700	Registration
Sunday 12 Jan	PM	Finn clinic – details to follow
Sunday 12 Jan	1700 -1900	Welcome function and briefing
Monday 13 Jan	1300	Warning signal for race 1. Subsequent warning signals will be made ASAP after preceding race.
Tuesday 14 Jan	1300	Warning signal for first race of the day. Subsequent warning signals will be made ASAP after preceding race.
Wednesday 15 Jan	AM and PM	Lay day. Winery tour – details to follow
Thursday 16 Jan	1300	Warning signal for first race of the day. Subsequent warning signals will be made ASAP after preceding race.
Friday 17 Jan	1200	Warning signal for first race of the day. Subsequent warning signals will be made ASAP after preceding race.
Friday 17 Jan	1900	Presentation

- 5.1 Eight (8) races with two races per day are scheduled.
- 5.2 Additional races may be sailed on any day provided that the regatta does not become more than one race ahead of schedule.
- 5.3 No more than three races will be sailed on one day.
- 5.4 No warning signal shall be made after 1500 hrs on Friday 17 January 2025.

6. Measurement and Equipment

- 6.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate at registration.
- 6.2 Older boats may be given dispensation from this requirement.
- 6.3 Finn class rule C.6.2 shall apply. Competitors may use 1 hull with 1 centreboard, 1 mast, 1 boom, 1 rudder and 2 sails during the regatta. The mast and sails must be declared at registration.
- 6.4 Sails must have a valid number as issued by IFAA or IFA and a valid IFA label.
- 6.5 Masts must have a valid IFA label or number.
- 6.6 The technical committee reserves the right to inspect any boat and equipment at any time during the regatta to ensure compliance with the Rules.

7. Sailing Instructions

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the regatta website no later than seven days prior to the event.

8. Venue

- 8.1 The regatta will be conducted on the waters of St Vincent Gulf adjacent the Adelaide sailing Club at West Beach, South Australia.
- 8.2 A location map is available via the [Adelaide Sailing Club](#) website.

9. Courses

- 9.1 The courses will be Windward-Leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.2 The target time for races is 50 minutes.

11. Scoring

- 11.1 Eight races are scheduled.
- 11.2 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.3 The number of races to count will be as follows:
- (a) When four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from five to eight races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.4 All division prizes will be awarded based on the ranking of competitors in the overall results.

12. Safety.

- 12.1 Attention is drawn to Rule 1.2 and Rule 4.
- 12.2 Discretionary penalties will apply to Rule 41 – Outside Help. Competitors who receive help from the Race Committee to return to their boats may not be penalised.

13. Coaches and Support Boats

- 13.1 Coach and support boats shall register before the 1st of January by completing the online form on the event website. [DP]
- 13.2 The coach registration fee shall be \$75.00 which will include an event tee shirt and one ticket to the welcome function.
- 13.3 Coaches will abide by the Coach Regulations as published on the [ASC website](#).

- 13.4. Each coach/support boat is required to have a working VHF radio tuned into a frequency designated by the Race Committee and be available to act as a rescue boat as directed by the Race Committee if required. [DP]

14. Media

- 14.1 In submitting the entry form, all competitors, parents, legal guardians and custodians provide their permission for all photographs, video, TV and sound recordings to be the property of the organisers and used for any purpose including public viewing and posting on the event website.

15. Prizes

- 15.1. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall
- 15.2 The Australian Finn Association Perpetual Trophy and the title of Australian Champion will be awarded to the highest placed Australian competitor
- 15.3 Masters prizes will be awarded for each category
- 15.4 Under 23 prize/s will be awarded
- 15.5. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

16. Radio Communication

- 16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication. [DP]

17. Insurance

- 17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$5M (\$10M recommended) or the equivalent. All competitors who complete the entry process are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.
- 17.2 Competitors may be required to provide details and evidence that they have such insurance in place at the time of entry.

18. Disclaimer

- 18.1 It is the competitor's decision to enter an Event or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in an Event is at their exclusive risk in every respect. See Racing Rule 4, *Decision to Race*.
- 18.2 None of the Organising Authority, the International Finn Association of Australia, their officers, members, volunteers, servants or agents accept any responsibility whatsoever in respect of loss of life, personal injury or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in this event or howsoever arising in connection with the event.

19. Further Information

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