



MELBOURNE OSAKA CUP
Double-Handed Yacht Race 2025

Notice to Competitors No.5

Revised Sailing Instructions V2.0

2025 M2O Sailing Instructions V1.0

Correction of 7.2 the Finish, to align with NoR V4.0

7.2 The finish line will be provided with race management personnel, subject to pre-finish communications being received, for yachts as they finish, up to 14 days after the arrival of the first yacht.

Shall be replaced with:

7.2 The finish line will be provided with race management personnel, subject to pre-finish communications being received, for yachts as they finish, up to 21 days after the arrival of the first yacht.

General Communications to Entrants

1. Communications -Satellite phones.

Since the Preliminary Notice of Race was first issued on the 2nd March 2023, the technology around satellite phones has advanced.

The Revised NoR V4.0 calls for the satellite phones to have the following capabilities:

- The primary satellite phone shall be capable of sending and receiving email messages, SMS and voice messages. Emails shall be monitored at least daily.
- The secondary satellite phone shall be capable of sending and receiving SMS and voice calls.

We are aware there has been discussion around newer Satellite phone systems using external Apps to facilitate direct messages.eg. WhatsApp.

It is important that the On Water Manager and Race Directors knows which Apps you will use to send a direct message (ie.SMS, WhatsApp etc.), so they can monitor the appropriate channels.

Can you please provide us with the SMS system or Messaging App for each of your dedicated satellite phones by sending this information to admin@melbourneosaka.com

Boat name:

Satellite phone 1: SMS system or Messaging App (eg.Direct messages, PredictWind, WhatsApp etc.)

Satellite phone 2: SMS system or Messaging App (eg. Direct messages, PredictWind, WhatsApp etc.)

2. Start Times.

The Official start times have now been published on the website.

<https://melbourneosakacup.com/en/2025-race-start-times/>



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