



**MELBOURNE OSAKA CUP**  
Double-Handed Yacht Race 2025

## Notice to Competitors No.12

### Revised start date and time for Main Start

A revised Melbourne Osaka Cup NTC 12 dated 14/03/2025, Melbourne Osaka Cup SIs V7.0 and NoR V6.0 have been published on the Melbourne Osaka Cup [website](#).

Due to the adverse weather forecast at the Rip at the time of the main start, the main start date and time have been changed from the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025, warning signal 1655hrs, to a new start date of 17<sup>th</sup> March 2025 with a warning signal of 1125hrs.

Amendments to the Sailing Instructions document include:

#### 5. The Start

5.2 The following table shows the scheduled dates and times for each warning signal.

Date	March 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2025	March 9 <sup>th</sup> 2025	March 16 <sup>th</sup> 2025	March 23 <sup>rd</sup> 2025	March 30 <sup>th</sup> 2025
Warning signal (AEDT)	1635	1555	1655	1425	1525

Has been amended to:

5.2 The following table shows the scheduled dates and times for each warning signal.

Date	March 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2025	March 9 <sup>th</sup> 2025	March 17 <sup>th</sup> 2025	March 23 <sup>rd</sup> 2025	March 30 <sup>th</sup> 2025
Warning signal (AEDT)	1635	1555	1125	1425	1525

5.3 The Starting Line shall be between the signal mast displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel at the starboard end of the line and a pink inflatable mark in the vicinity of the Portsea Pier at the port end for the main start on the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

Has been amended to:

5.3 The Starting Line shall be between the signal mast displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel at the starboard end of the line and a pink inflatable mark in the vicinity of the Portsea Pier at the port end for the main start on the **17<sup>th</sup>** March 2025

### A3 Pre-Race sign on Schedule

A3.1. A pre-race sign on schedule will be conducted on VHF Radio Channel 82 commencing at the times (AEDT) listed below:

Date 2025	March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	March 9 <sup>th</sup>	March 16 <sup>th</sup>	March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	March 30 <sup>th</sup>
Sign on schedule VHF 82	1545	1515	1615	1345	1445

### Has been amended to:

A3.1. A pre-race sign on schedule will be conducted on VHF Radio Channel 82 commencing at the times (AEDT) listed below:

Date 2025	March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	March 9 <sup>th</sup>	March 17 <sup>th</sup>	March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	March 30 <sup>th</sup>
Sign on schedule VHF 82	1545	1515	1045	1345	1445

### A4 Shipping Movements and Transiting Port Phillip Heads

A4.1. At the times (AEDT) shown below, *Ocean Racing* will broadcast advice of shipping movements through Port Phillip Heads on VHF Channel 12.

Date 2025	March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	March 9 <sup>th</sup>	March 16 <sup>th</sup>	March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	March 30 <sup>th</sup>
Shipping advice schedule VHF 12	1615	1545	1645	1415	1515

### Has been amended to:

A4.1. At the times (AEDT) shown below, *Ocean Racing* will broadcast advice of shipping movements through Port Phillip Heads on VHF Channel 12.

Date 2025	March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	March 9 <sup>th</sup>	March 17 <sup>th</sup>	March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	March 30 <sup>th</sup>
Shipping advice schedule VHF 12	1615	1545	1115	1415	1515



Amendments to the Notice of Race include:

10.3 Weather briefings will be provided as follows:

Both crew members from each yacht shall attend the relevant briefing. This briefing may be virtual as per paragraph 10.1

Start date and information:

- 2/3/2025. This briefing will be at 1200hrs via a Teams Link to be provided to the starter.
- 9/3/2025. This briefing will be in-person at Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron at 1200hrs and also available via a Teams Link to be provided to starters.
- 16/3/2025: This briefing will be in-person at Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron at 1200hrs, and also available via a Teams Link to be provided to starters.
- 30/3/2025: This briefing will be at 0900hrs via a Teams Link to be provided to the starter.

**Shall be amended to:**

10.3 Weather briefings will be provided as follows:

Both crew members from each yacht shall attend the relevant briefing. This briefing may be virtual as per paragraph 10.1

Start date and information:

- 2/3/2025. This briefing will be at 1200hrs via a Teams Link to be provided to the starter.
- 9/3/2025. This briefing will be at Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron at 1200hrs and also available via a Teams Link to be provided to starters.
- **17/3/2025. This briefing will be at 0830hrs via a Teams Link to be provided to starters.**
- 30/3/2025. This briefing will be at 0900hrs via a Teams Link to be provided to the starter.

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