



## Rolex Farr 40 World Championship 2016

Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron  
16 - 19 February

Notice of Race

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### 1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Farr 40 Class Association in conjunction with the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS)

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### 2 HEADQUARTERS

The Rolex Farr 40 Worlds Championship 2016 Regatta Headquarters will be at:

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Website: <http://www.rsys.com.au/>  
Class website: [www.farr40.org](http://www.farr40.org)

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### 3 RULES

- 3.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the Farr 40 Class Rules.
- 3.2 Yachts shall comply with the 2016 – 2017 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4 (except that 5.01.1 (a) shall not apply for this event) and Appendix 3 of the Farr 40 Class Rules. In the event of conflict, designer and manufacturers original standards shall prevail.
- 3.3 Please refer to Class Rule 30 which states “Except on a beat to windward, a boat’s crew may pull in any sail any number of times. This changes RRS 42.3 (c).”

- 3.4 Delete the first and second sentences of RRS 44.1 and substitute the following:
- A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty, consisting of one tack and one gybe, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2, Rule 31, or Rule 42 while *racing*. However, if a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 within the zone of a mark other than a starting mark, the penalty that may be taken is a Two-Turns Penalty. **This changes RRS 44.1.**
- 3.5 When leaving the dock, boats shall carry a minimum of 1.5 liters of drinkable liquid up to a maximum of 4 liters, per person per day. This liquid is included in the restrictions for moveable ballast in RRS 51, except when being consumed by a crew member.
- 3.6 In RRS 55 add the following: Bilge water, bodily fluids and biodegradable sail stops are not trash under this rule. A breach of this rule, pertaining to non-biodegradable sail stops only, is not open to protest by boats and may only be protested by the Race Committee or Protest Committee. **This changes RRS 55.**
- 3.7 In RRS 61.1(a), after the second sentence, add the following words: "The red flag shall have the minimum dimensions of 45cm x 45 cm and shall be displayed vertically from the backstay, below the Rolex backstay flag." **This changes RRS 61.1.**
- 3.8 Video, electronic data and /or photographs taken from any source shall not be used as evidence at a protest hearing or request for redress, except that Race Committee voice recordings are permitted to be used as evidence. **This changes RRS 63.6.**
- 3.9 If there is a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. Neither the NOR nor the SI shall change nor alter any Class Rules. **This changes RRS 63.7.**
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#### 4 ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all Farr 40 Class yachts as defined by the Class Rules. Owners, Charterers and Substitute helmsmen shall be current members of the Farr 40 Class Association and approved by the Farr 40 Class Eligibility Review Committee.
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#### 5 ENTRY AND REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Eligible boats may enter and pay the US\$3000 entry fee online at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1584>. The entry fee includes dockage at RSYS from February 8 through February 20 and entry in the Sydney Open Championship February 11 – 13.
- 5.2 The entry form shall be completed and entry fee shall be submitted no later than Monday January 25, 2016. The OA may accept an entry after this date at their discretion. A late fee of US\$500 will be due for late entries.
- 5.3 Crew lists and World Sailing Sailor User IDs for all crew shall be submitted to <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1584> no later than February 5, 2016. Designation of alternate, relief or substitute helmsmen and a copy of a valid 2016 One Design Certificate shall be submitted to Stagg Yachts no later than February 14, 2016.
- 5.4 Registration shall be completed with the OA as described below. To be entered a competitor shall have completed the following no later than 1700 February 15, 2016.
- Registered with the OA, including payment of all fees.
  - 2016 One Design Certificate on file with the OA.
  - Owner, Charterer and Substitute Helmsmen Class Membership Dues for 2016 paid and on file with Stagg Yachts.

- (d) Skipper and crew weigh-in, and liability waivers signed and on file with the OA.
- (e) Measurement forms on file with the OA.
- (f) Crew classification declared and verified on the Crew Declaration form, and on file with the OA.
- (g) All owners, tacticians and boat captains shall have signed and submitted to the OA the F40CR Appendix 10 – Yacht Owner Compliance Declaration stating that their boat fully complies with the Class Rules and that they will abide by said Class Rules while racing.
- (h) All owners and crew shall have signed the Rolex Media & Rights Waiver and Disclaimer.

5.5 Sail Declaration form shall be on file with the OA no later than 1600 February 15, 2016.

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## 6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Please see [www.farr40worlds.com](http://www.farr40worlds.com)

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| <b>February 6-7</b>   | Keel and rudder templating, and rudder checks subject to Class discretion and availability of boats.   |
| <b>February 8-10</b>  | Safety/equipment inspections at RSYS. Measurement of sails and boat, and crew weigh-in will be scheduled by the Class Association. Measurements and weights are confidential to the Measurer and Class Management. Keel weights, mast weights and mast CG checks may be measured at any time in accordance with Class Rule 11.2. |
| <b>February 9-11</b>  | Owner and Crew weigh-in (this weigh-in is for both the Sydney Open and World Championship) Note: There is a separate NOR for the Sydney Open.  |
| <b>February 12-15</b> | Weigh-in for Owners and Crew who did not participate in the Sydney Open and for replacement crews who did not sail in the Sydney Open. If more than four crew members are being replaced after the Sydney Open the Owner and all crew members must weigh-in again for the World Championship.                                    |
| <b>February 14</b>    | Sail Measurement at RSYS 0800 – 1800. Only sails to be declared for the Worlds will be measured.   |
| <b>February 15</b>    | Sail Measurement at RSYS 0800 – 1500. Only sails to be declared for the Worlds will be measured.   |
| <b>February 14</b>    | Registration at RSYS 0815 – 1700   |
| <b>February 15</b>    | Registration at RSYS 0815 – 1600   |
| <b>February 15</b>    | Mandatory Tactician's Briefing at RSYS, 1730 - Owners welcome  |
| <b>February 16</b>    | 1 <sup>st</sup> Race Day   |
| <b>February 17</b>    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Race Day   |
| <b>February 18</b>    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Race Day   |
| <b>February 19</b>    | 4 <sup>th</sup> Race Day   |

- 6.2 The Race Committee intends to conduct as many races as practicable on each scheduled day of racing, up to a maximum of 11 races for the Series. The Initial Warning Signal for racing each day is scheduled to be made at 1200 hours, however, no Initial Warning Signal will be made after 1500 hours on the last scheduled day of racing.
  - 6.3 Four races shall be completed to constitute a series.
  - 6.4 After consultation with a non-competing Class Representative, the PRO may modify the above program according to prevailing weather conditions and/or other unforeseen circumstances.
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## 7 MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

- 7.1 Yachts shall be available for keel and rudder templating at the discretion of the Class and depending on boat availability, and for boat inspection at RSYS on 8-10 February, 2016. Sail measurement, at RSYS, is on February 14-15, 2016. The Class Association will notify each yacht of its intended measurement time.
  - 7.2 Yachts shall provide a minimum of two people to facilitate measurement and inspection. Each yacht shall be prepared with its safety gear assembled in the cockpit prior to its inspection appointment.
  - 7.3 Each yacht may measure a maximum of 12 sails and declare 9 sails (Class Rule 25.0). Sail buttons shall be sewn on prior to measurement. All sails shall be measured and stamped by an ORC measurer on the head and be Class legal before presentation. Sails that do not meet initial measurement criteria may be re-measured once.
  - 7.4 Crew will be weighed on the official Class scales at RSYS.
  - 7.5 Random yacht and equipment inspections may be conducted prior to, between races and after racing each day to check for compliance with Class Rules, the NOR and the 2015-2016 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4.
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## 8 EVENT ADVERTISING

- 8.1 Each yacht may be required to display event advertising on the bow, backstay and boom. While not racing, all yachts are strongly urged to fly the event flag from the forestay.
  - 8.2 One set of bow numbers per boat will be issued and shall be displayed as specified by the OA.
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## 9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1584> and <http://www.farr40worlds.com>

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## 10 COURSES AND RACING AREA

Courses will be windward / leeward as defined in the Sailing Instructions. Races will be held in the Tasman Sea off Port Jackson (Sydney Heads) or on Sydney Harbour, Port Jackson. Attachment A shows the location of the Tasman Sea courses.

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## 11 PENALTIES

11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed as described in NOR 3.4.

11.2 The penalty, if any, for any infringement of the rules (including the Class Rules and World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4) other than RRS Part 2 is at the sole discretion of the Jury in consultation with the Class representative, and may be other than disqualification. **This changes RRS 64.1.**

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## 12 SCORING

Each yacht's score shall be the sum of all her races (no discards). Eleven races are scheduled. Completion of four races constitutes a regatta. **This changes RRS A2.**

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## 13 INTERNATIONAL JURY

Decisions of the International Jury shall be final (RRS 70.5).

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## 14 PRIZES

14.1 The World Cup trophy will be awarded to the yacht placing first overall, and the owner will be awarded a specially engraved Rolex timepiece. Trophies for first through third place overall, and for the winner of each individual race, will also be awarded.

14.2 The Corinthian trophy will be awarded to the top placed yacht that meets the Corinthian requirements. Trophies for the first through third place overall Corinthian boats will also be awarded.

14.3 Additional trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

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## 15 DOCKAGE

15.1 Boats may start arriving at RSYS after 0900 hours on February 8, and all boats shall be docked at their assigned dock at RSYS by 1800 hours on February 10. They shall remain at RSYS at all times when not practicing or test sailing, racing, or transiting to and from the racecourse.

15.2 Should a dock at RSYS be required for a longer period, entrants shall contact the RSYS Sailing Manager directly. Extended bookings will be chargeable at the current RSYS rates. Early booking is recommended. Telephone bookings must be confirmed by fax, email or post.

Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron – Sailing Manager Chris Stone  
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15.3 Container and trailer storage will be available at Milson Park from 0900 hours on February 8, 2016 to 1200 hrs on February 20, 2016.

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## 16 SUPPORT & COACH BOATS

- 16.1 Competitors' attention is drawn to the applicable Class Rule 37.1 and Interpretation 63.
- 16.2 While racing, the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) by any team or persons associated with, supporting or employed by a team, is prohibited within the area described in Class Rule Interpretation 63 and extended vertically. A breach of this rule is not open to protest by boats and may only be protested by the Race Committee, Protest Committee, or Organizing Authority.
- 16.3 Support, Coach and Media boats shall register with the OA and be issued with identification flags.
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## 17 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Yachts may be hauled out after measurement and during the regatta only with the prior written permission of the International Jury, and under such terms as they may decide. Normally, the Jury shall grant such permission only if necessary to repair damage. While hauled out, bottoms and foils shall not be sanded, polished, washed, or otherwise worked on except as permitted by the Jury in the area of repair. Hulls and appendages may be cleaned in the water.

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## 18 MEDIA & IMAGE RIGHTS WAIVER

- 18.1 The Rolex Media Centre will be at Regatta Headquarters.
- 18.2 At no cost to the competitors, the OA may request the installation of onboard tracking and/or video cameras for the purposes of the official television production.
- 18.3 By entering this regatta, the owner (or charterer) and crew members on competing yachts grant at no cost the absolute right and permission to use their names, voices, images, likenesses, and biographical material, as well as representations of their yacht:
- (a) in any media (including television, print and internet), to the Farr 40 Class Association, Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, Rolex S.A. and affiliated companies, and other sponsors;
  - (b) in the "Perpetual Spirit by ROLEX" magazine, edited by ROLEX S.A., to Rolex S.A. and affiliated companies.
- 18.4 The Farr 40 Class Association, Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, Rolex S.A. and affiliated companies and other sponsors shall not use the names, voices, images, likenesses or biographical material of an owner (charterer) or crew member in a way that constitutes an endorsement of ROLEX's products unless the competitor or crew member is otherwise engaged by Rolex S.A. or affiliated companies to endorse ROLEX's products or otherwise gives his/her prior written consent to such use.
- 18.5 Owners (charterers) and crew members shall acknowledge and accept the granting of media rights referred to in this paragraph 18 by a Liability & Media Waiver provided by the OA.

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## 19 DISCLAIMER

- 19.1 Each competitor taking part in the regatta does so at their own risk and responsibility. The owner (charterer) and each crewmember:
- (a) acknowledges and accepts the risks (including the risk of harm to persons and property and the risks associated with the perils of the sea and the seaworthiness of any boat) associated with participation in this regatta and waives all rights against and releases the Farr 40 Class Association, Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, the Farr 40 Management Group,  
Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, Rolex S.A. and affiliated companies, other sponsors, and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members in respect of any loss of life or injury to persons, or loss of or damage to property, suffered in connection therewith;
  - (b) acknowledges that participation in this regatta by him or her is on the basis that participation is entirely at his or her risk and responsibility and that the Farr 40 Class Association, Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, Rolex S.A. and affiliated companies, other sponsors and their respective officers, employees, members, and volunteers are not responsible for any boat or its crew;
  - (c) acknowledges and agrees that this form is governed by the laws Australia and that any liability for harm to persons that results from breach of an express or implied warranty that this regatta and all services relating thereto will be conducted or rendered with reasonable care and skill is excluded.
- 19.2 Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”.
- 19.3 All competitors shall acknowledge this by signing a Liability & Media Waiver provided by the Organizing Authority.
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## 20 INSURANCE

- 20.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole inescapable responsibility of the owner/owners’ representative. It is the responsibility of the owner to provide insurance for the yacht covering potential damage to persons or property.
- 20.2 Adequate current Third Party Property Liability Insurance and Third Party Personal Liability cover of not less than \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars) for any one incident. All insurance shall be maintained during the period of racing.
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## 21 COMMERCIAL SHIPPING

- 21.1 Yachts shall not interfere with the Commercial or Defense shipping of the Port. The attention of skippers is drawn to NSW Roads and Maritime Services regulations regarding the right of way of vessels entering or leaving port, ferries displaying orange diamonds and vessels engaged in towing. NSW Roads and Maritime Services regulations specify “Priority over Sail – some Commercial Ferries on Sydney Harbour display an orange diamond shape which grants priority of way over sailing vessels. Do not attempt to cross the path of an approaching ferry displaying this signal”. Attention is drawn to the guidelines published in the appendices in this Handbook.

- 21.2 Boats found to have interfered with commercial shipping may be subject to action by the Race Committee in accordance with RRS 60.2.
- 21.3 All yachts must abide by traffic directions of NSW RMS Boating Service Officers. Any yacht directed to stop or alter course by NSW RMS Boating Service Officers as a result of an anticipated breach of the above rules, incident/collision or complaint shall do so immediately.
- 21.4 Any yachts reported by NSW Roads and Maritime Services as having contravened NSW Roads and Maritime Services regulations shall be disqualified without a hearing. (This amends RRS 63.1). Any alleged infringement of this clause shall not be grounds for protest by another competitor.
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## 22 FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

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## FARR 40 WORLD CHAMPIONS

2015	<b>GROOVEDERCI</b>	John Demourkas	USA
2014	<b>PLENTY</b>	Alex Roepers	USA
2013	<b>ENFANT TERRIBLE</b>	Alberto Rossi	ITA
2012	<b>FLASH GORDON</b>	Helmut Jahn	USA
2011	<b>TRANSFUSION</b>	Guido Belgiorno-Nettis	AUS
2010	<b>NERONE</b>	Massimo Mezzaroma	ITA
2009	<b>BARKING MAD</b>	Jim Richardson	USA
2008	<b>MASCALZONE LATINO</b>	Vincenzo Onorato	ITA
2007	<b>MASCALZONE LATINO</b>	Vincenzo Onorato	ITA
2006	<b>MASCALZONE LATINO</b>	Vincenzo Onorato	ITA
2005	<b>EVOLUTION</b>	Richard Perini	AUS
2004	<b>BARKING MAD</b>	Jim Richardson	USA
2003	<b>NERONE</b>	Mezzaroma/Migliori	ITA
2002	<b>LE RENARD</b>	Steve Phillips	USA
2001	<b>ALINGHI</b>	Ernesto Bertarelli	SUI
2000	<b>SOUTHERN STAR</b>	John Calvert-Jones	AUS
1999	<b>SAMBA PA TI</b>	John Kilroy	USA
1998	<b>BARKING MAD</b>	Jim Richardson	USA

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## INTERNATIONAL JURY

Henry Menin (IJ) ISV – Chairman  
John Standley (IJ) AUS  
John Rountree (IJ/IU) NZL  
Remy Donraadt AUS  
Jamie Sutherland NZL

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## PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICER

Rob Ridley (IRO) AUS

Attachment A

