



ADAMS 10

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2026

20th-22nd February 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority (OA) will be:

Lake Macquarie Yacht Club (LMYC), located at Ada Street Belmont NSW
On behalf of the Adams 10 Metre class Association of Australia
Under the authority of Australian Sailing (AS)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing and the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS).
- 1.2 Appendix T will apply.
- 1.3 The Adams 10 Class Rules.
- 1.4 The AS Special Regulations Equipment requirements of Category 7 shall apply, except that lifejackets must be a minimum of Level 50 and branded as complying with AS4758 or an equivalent overseas standard.
- 1.5 Boats shall carry a VHF radio tuned to Channel 71.
- 1.6 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One-Turn penalty. Infringements in the Zone as defined in the RRS shall be a Two Turns penalty. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.
- 1.7 The penalty for any infringement other than RRS Part 2 is at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification per RRS 64.

2 ADVERTISING / MEDIA RIGHTS

- 2.1 Advertising is unrestricted as permitted by World Sailing Regulation 20.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority (OA). If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.
- 2.3 Participants automatically grant to the Organising Authority and the series sponsors of the Event, the right in perpetuity to make use and show from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of them during the period in which they participate, and in all material related to the series without compensation.

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 Entry is open to all Adams 10 class boats (including Cruising Adams 10's compliant to the class rules).
- 3.2 A yacht shall have a current Third-Party insurance for not less than \$10 million.
- 3.3 Only boats conforming to the Adams 10 Class Rules shall be eligible to win the Adams 10 Australian Championship.
- 3.4 All skippers shall be a member of the Adams 10 Class Association; a member of a club affiliated to an MNA and have a valid Australian Sailing number.
- 3.5 All boats shall have a weight that conforms to class rules.

4 ENTRY

- 4.1 An Entry shall be lodged through the LMYC On-Line Entry System prior to 16th February 2026.
<https://lmyc.com.au/online-race-entries/>
- 4.2 A crew list containing details of skipper and crew including emergency contact details, a valid AS number and age, shall be submitted through the above link.
- 4.3 The entry fee shall be paid through the online system for the amount shown below.
- 4.4 Entries after 16th February 2026 may be accepted at the discretion of the OA.

Category	Amount
Early bird entry fee closing 2400 1 st February 2026	\$500
Entry fee after 1 st February 2026	\$550

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Day/Date		
Friday 20 th February	Registration desk	0900-0930
Friday 20 th February	Adams 10 AGM	0930-1030
Friday 20 th February	Briefing	1030-1100
Friday, Saturday, Sunday	Up to 9 races	
Friday 20 th February		First Warning Signal at 1155
Saturday 21 st February		First Warning Signal at 1125
Saturday 21 st February	Welcome Dinner	1900
Sunday 22 nd February		First Warning Signal at 1155
Sunday 22 nd February	Presentation	ASAP after racing

NOTE: There will be no warning signal after 1500 hrs on Sunday 22nd February

6 COURSES

- 6.1 Racing will be conducted on Lake Macquarie in the area bounded Coal Point, Carey Bay, Cardiff Point and Marks Point.
- 6.2 Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

7 SCORING

- 7.1 The Adams 10 Australian Championship will be scored on scratch placing.
- 7.2 The low point scoring system (refer RRS Appendix A4) shall be used. Appendix A5.2 will apply.
- 7.3 A maximum of 9 races are scheduled with a minimum of 4 races to constitute a series.
- 7.4 When seven (7) or more races are completed a boats series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 7.5 A Corinthian Trophy will be awarded for first place in this division. Only boats with all non-professional crew members may be considered for the award. Skippers must sign a declaration to be eligible.
- 7.6 A Masters Trophy will be awarded to the first placed boat in this division. To be eligible for the Masters Trophy the boats crew, including skipper will have an average age above 55 years old. The average age will be calculated based on the ages provided on the crew declarations.

8 SUPPORT VESSELS

- 8.1 Coaches and other support personnel shall not go within 50metres of any boat racing from the warning signal of a race and until the last boat in that has race has finished, without the approval of the race committee.
- 8.2 The penalty for failing to comply with SI 8.1 may result in the disqualification of all boats associated with the infringing party (addition to RRS 60.2).

9 MEASUREMENT, COMPLIANCE, CREW SUSTITUTION and RESTRICTIONS

- 9.1 The organizing Authority or Class Association reserves the right to inspect any boat prior to or during the regatta to establish whether or not a boat complies with the Class Rules or safety rules of the event.
- 9.2 Substitution of skipper or crew may be permitted in exceptional circumstances and only by prior written permission of the Race Committee. Crew lists shall be updated on line to reflect agreed changes. without a hearing (changes RRS 63.1).
- 9.3 Skippers will provide a crew list that includes the age of each crew member
- 9.4 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

10 MARINA BERTHING

- 10.1 Berthing for boats entered in the Adams 10 Australian Championship regatta may be available 7 days either side of the regatta at no fee.
Boats requiring berthing are to contact the Marina Manager on
Phone: 0400205600 or email: boating@lmyc.com.au

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Perpetual trophy will be presented to the winner at a post race presentation after the last race on Sunday.
- 11.2 Other Trophies will be awarded for:
 - 1st 2nd and 3rd Open division
 - 1st in Masters division
 - 1st in Corinthian division

12 DISCLAIMER

Each competitor participates in the Adams 10 Championship series entirely at their own risk. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to or after the Regatta. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3 which states: *"The responsibility for a boats decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone"*.

13 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND FURTHER INFORMATION.

- 12.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the LMYC website.
http://www.lmyc.com.au/site/sailing_instructions_and_regattas
by Friday 13th February 2026.
- 12.2 For further information contact LMYC sailing office at
racing@lmyc.com.au or
phone 0411 652 533

Issued on behalf of the Organizing Authority
P Cunningham (LMYC Rear Commodore)