

# ON-WATER PASS INFORMATION for Non-Members

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#### 1. Introduction

The Club has always sought to implement the best possible safety management. Currently the Club lacks ability to know how many people may be participating on the water at any time and whom to contact in case of an emergency.

To achieve this the Club is introducing the MemberPoint app which will allow skippers to register for each race and identify their crew (i.e. to Sign On). In time, this will allow the Club to be aware of all participants competing in Club registered events. Signing on will also significantly assist race management to monitor the overall race safety.

Additionally, on 3 February 2020, Australian Sailing announced that from 1 January 2022 the prescription to Racing Rule of Sailing (RRS) 46 will effectively require all crew to be a member of an affiliated club and be registered with Australian Sailing. The MemberPoint app will also allow non-member crews to obtain an On-Water Pass to allow them to comply with the RRS.

An On-Water Pass is required for anyone who is not a current member of RFBYC, including members of other clubs. Members of other clubs can use their existing Australian Sailing number when obtaining an On-Water Pass. For other non-members, the On-Water Pass will ensure you have a valid Australian Sailing (AS) registration on the days that you wish to participate. For all non-members, the On-Water Pass will make you available for your skipper to sign you on for Club racing using the MemberPoint app.

This On-Water Pass Information Pack for non-members has been designed to assist you with how to download the MemberPoint App and how to register for an On-Water Pass to sail in Club racing at Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club (RFBYC). Currently there is no charge for On-Water Passes.

### 2. MemberPoint App

To obtain an On-Water Pass non-members will need to download the MemberPoint app and register for an RFBYC On-Water pass.

#### 2.1 How do I get the app? – Non-Members

Use a tablet or phone to go to the App Store or Google Play to download the app:

- a) Search for the app "MemberPoint" and download it.
- b) Open the app.
- c) Select Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club from the drop-down list.
- d) If you are a first-time user of the On-Water Pass, click Sail Past Register.
- e) If you are returning for another On-Water Pass, please login or contact the office if you cannot locate your registration email.



Download the MemberPoint app on your phone or tablet.



Select our Club from the drop down list, click DONE.



If you are a first time user, click SailPass Register.



If you are returning for another On-Water pass please login or contact the office if you cannot locate your registration email.

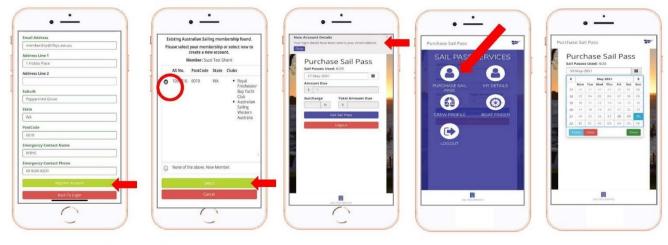
#### 3. On-Water Pass for Non-Members

Once you have downloaded the app you will be able to register for an On-Water Pass.

All non-members will be required to obtain an On-Water Pass each time they participate in Club racing. Once the On-Water Pass has been obtained, your skipper will be able to select you from a drop-down box as crew.

An On-Water Pass allows temporary membership of the Club from 2 hours before until 4 hours after the activity.

Once you have downloaded the MemberPoint app, please refer to Step by step instructions on how to register for an On-Water Pass.



First time users, fill in the form then click REGISTER ACCOUNT.

If you have an existing Australian Sailing number you will be asked to confirm your existing AS number in the national system.

A welcome email will be sent to you. Please keep your username and password, this is how you will log in.

From the Sail Pass Services menu you can register for a pass (currently free) on the day you wish to participate.

On the days that you have a valid pass, your skipper will be available to add you to their crew list for the race.

## 4. Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. What benefit do I obtain by registering for an On-Water Pass with RFBYC?
- a) You automatically (ie no application/medical required) obtain insurance cover from Australian Sailing (full information on the Australia Sailing Resources website 'sailingresources.org.au').
- b) Your skipper is able to add you as a person on board (Crew Sign-On) for the race in question, and this provides significant safety and risk benefits to you and the club.
- 2. Can I obtain an On-Water Pass for multiple races or a season?
- a) No. On-water passes are for a single participation only.

#### 3. Is there a cost or limit on the number of passes?

a) Currently there is no cost or limit to the number of passes you can have but you need to take out a pass for each date that you wish to participate.

#### 4. After taking out my first On-Water Pass, do I need to take out a pass for each subsequent participation?

- a) Yes. You need to have a valid pass for each date that you wish to participate.
- b) The first time you use the pass system, you will need to complete the registration. You will then receive an email with login details for future uses.
- c) There is no need to complete all your personal details again for future passes, you will simply open the app, select RFBYC and log in. Then take out a pass for the date that you wish to participate.

#### 5. Will the boat, be penalized if I do not sign on or take out a pass?

a) Your attention is drawn to rule 2.2.1 in the RFBYC Standard Sailing Instructions – Keelboats which states that "Boats registered at RFBYC shall enter each race day through the MemberPoint app and sign on all persons on board." And rule 2.2.2 which further advises that boats failing to comply with 2.2.1 after 1 January 2022 will not be included in the results.

Extract from the 2021-2021 Blue Book Racing Rules of Sailing:

From 1st January 2022, all persons on board a boat while racing shall be members of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing and have an Australian Sailing number, or hold a valid Sail Pass, or if an international competitor, be a member of club affiliated to a World Sailing recognised Member National Authority.

#### 6. If there is no penalty, why would I do it?

- a) There is a significant safety benefit for all involved if crew sign-on for Club On-Water activities. The Club knows who is on the water participating and the emergency contact details for each person should there be an incident.
- b) If you hold a valid On-Water Pass then you will be covered by the Australian Sailing Personal Accident Insurance.
- c) Sailing is a self-policing sport and you are required to be Club members or hold an On-Water Pass so you are complying with the Racing Rules of Sailing.

#### 7. Is my On-Water Pass valid at other clubs?

a) An On-Water Pass from Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club is valid only for a race/event where this Club is the Organising Authority.

#### 8. I have just taken out an On-Water Pass, am I a member of the Club?

- a) You are a Temporary Member on the day of the event for which you took out the pass.
- b) Please read the On-Water Pass information sheet for further details of your rights and obligations under Temporary Membership (see attached).

#### 9. How do I obtain an On-Water Pass?

- a) First time:
  - Download the free app 'MemberPoint'.
  - Select Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club from the dropdown menu.
  - Click on the button 'SailPass Register' and complete the registration process.
  - This will instantly give you an Australian Sailing number and send login details to use the RFBYC app your email address.
  - Once you are interacting with the app you can take out an On-Water Pass for the date that you wish to participate in a race.
  - With a valid pass you can advise your skipper and they can sign you on to the boat on the day of the race.

#### b) Logging in for future uses:

- Select Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club from the dropdown menu.
- Enter your username and password from the login details that were sent to your email address when you first registered.
- Once you are interacting with the app you can take out an On-Water Pass for the date that you wish to participate in a sailing race.
- With a valid pass you can advise your skipper and they can sign you on to the boat on the day of the race.

#### 10. Are there any financial or other obligations arising from me taking out an On-Water Pass?

a) Until you are advised otherwise, RFBYC will not be charging a fee for taking out a pass, nor will any time or quantity limits apply. The Club does reserve the right to implement charges and/or usage limits in future, but you will be given suitable notice beforehand.

#### 11. Where to from here?

- a) The purpose of the On-Water Pass system is to allow new participants to try sailing. They can be reassured that they are covered by the Australian Sailing personal accident insurance, the boat they are racing on is complying with the rules of the sport and they are assisting with a key part of safety on the water by being signed on as a person on board for the activity.
- b) If you decide you enjoy the sport and would like to continue to use the facilities of Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club, we encourage you to discuss membership with us.
- c) Membership comes with many benefits. It allows you to be part of a friendly and welcoming community, attend social events, use the bar and restaurant with friends, participate in on-water activities and host your own functions. Most importantly you will be making a contribution to the running of the Club and its long-term success.
- d) To find out more about membership of the Club, sailing courses and other activities please visit the website rfbyc.asn.au or contact our Membership Coordinator for assistance.