



# 2017 New Zealand 29er National Championships

Thursday 1st to Monday 5th June 2017

The Organising Authority is Kohimarama Yacht Club (Inc.)

Regatta Address: 80 Tamaki Drive, Kohimarama, Auckland

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## Sailing Instructions

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### 1. RULES

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- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.3. The 29er One Design Class Rules will apply.
- 1.4. Appendix T will apply.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

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- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located within the KYC Clubhouse.

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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- 3.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0830 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

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- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the KYC signal mast.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal, AP.

### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

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- 5.1.

| Day and Date      | Time of First Warning Signal | Races   |
|-------------------|------------------------------|---------|
| Friday 2nd June   | 1155                         | 4 RACES |
| Saturday 3rd June | NO EARLIER THAN 0955         | 4 RACES |
| Sunday 4th June   | NO EARLIER THAN 0955         | 4 RACES |
| Monday 5th June   | NO EARLIER THAN 0955         | 3 RACES |

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- 5.2. One extra race per day may be sailed, any change to be made according to instruction 3.
- 5.3. The warning signals for a subsequent race for a class on the same day will be made as soon as practicable but not sooner than 5 minutes after the last boat finishes the previous race for that class.
- 5.4. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange flag defining the starboard end of the starting line will be displayed, with one sound signal, for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.5. The Race Committee may schedule a rest period between back to back races.

5.6. No warning signal shall be made after 1600 on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June except after a general recall.

## **6. CLASS FLAGS**

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6.1. Course flags or course boards will be either black letters on a white background or white letters on a black background.

6.2. Class flags will be the 29er class insignia on a white back ground.

## **7. RACING AREAS**

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7.1. The Race Area will be on the waters off Kohimarama Beach.

## **8. THE COURSES**

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8.1. The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2. No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing and distance in nautical miles from the start line to Mark 1.

## **9. MARKS**

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9.1. A description of the marks is included in Attachment A.

9.2. A Race Committee boat signalling a change of course is a mark as provided in instruction 11.2.

## **10. THE START**

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10.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark or if the port-end starting mark is a boat the staff displaying an orange flag.

10.2. A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.1, *Low Points System*.

## **11. CHANGE OF THE POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK**

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11.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practical. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

11.2. Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the Race Committee boat signalling the change of course and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the Race Committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1, *Sailing the Course*.

11.3. The Race Committee may designate a Race Committee boat displaying flag L to lead the first boat to the new mark.

## **12. THE FINISH**

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12.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat finishing mark and the course side of the other finish mark.

## **13. PENALTY SYSTEM**

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13.1. For the, 29er, rule 44.1, *Taking a Penalty*, is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

13.2. Appendix P will apply.

13.3. When Appendix P applies, on the first penalty for infringements under rule P1, *Signalling A Penalty*, if penalised after she has finished, she will be given a scoring penalty of equal to 10% of the number of boats entered without a hearing although her score will not be worse than the score for a DSQ.

- 13.4. Appendix P4, *Redress Limitation*, is replaced with “An action by the Protest Committee or its designated observer under Appendix P1, *Signalling a Penalty*, shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat unless the action was improper due to a failure to take into account a race committee signal or a class rule. The Protest Committee may initiate a redress hearing and may give redress for an action by a member of the Protest Committee or its designated observer under rule P1”. This changes rule 60.1(b), *Right to Protest; Right to Request Redress or Rule 69 Action*.

#### 14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

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- 14.1. The time limits and target times in minutes for the first boat are as follows:

| <u>Class</u> | <u>Target Time</u> | <u>Time Limit</u> |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 29er         | 30 minutes         | 50 minutes        |

- 14.2. If no boat passes the first mark within the Target Time the Race Committee will abandon the race. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a), *Protest Contents*.
- 14.3. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35, *Time Limit and Scores*, A4, *Low Point System*, and A5, *Scores Determined by the Race Committee*.

#### 15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

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- 15.1. Rule 44.1, *Taking a Penalty*, is changed to permit a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2, *When Boats Meet*, or rule 31, *Touching a Mark*, to take a penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a scoring penalty as calculated in rule 44.3(c), *Scoring Penalty*, equal to 40% of the number of entries in her fleet or 50% of the difference between her finishing position and the number of entries in her fleet, whichever is less.
- 15.2. Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.3. Protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in its class has finished the last race of the day. Protest time limits will be posted.
- 15.4. Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. The notice will include the order and location of the hearing.
- 15.5. Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b), *Informing the Protestee*.
- 15.6. A list of boats that, under instruction 13.2, have been penalised for breaking rule 42, *Propulsion*, will be posted.
- 15.7. For the purpose of rule 64.3(b), *Decisions On Protests Concerning Class Rules*, the ‘authority responsible’ is the measurer appointed by the organising authority.
- 15.8. Breaches of instructions 19, 20, 21 and 22 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat under rule 60.1(a). This changes rule 60.1(a), *Right to Protest; Right to Request Redress or Rule 69 Action*.
- 15.9. Penalties for breaches of instructions 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, and 22, Class Rules and Safety Regulations may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 15.10. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - (b) no later than 15 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66, *Reopening a Hearing*.

## **16. SCORING**

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- 16.1. Five races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2. (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When nine or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## **17. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

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- 17.1. Competitors or their representatives shall sign-on each time they leave the shore to enter the course, and shall sign-off each time they come ashore from the course. The location of sign-on /sign-off register is included in the Regatta Specific Schedule.
- 17.2. A boat that retires from a race or returns to the launching area before she finished the last race of the day shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

## **18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

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- 18.1. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 18.2. All competitors shall use only one hull, mast, forestay, mainsail, jib, spinnaker, boom, centreboard and rudder.
- 18.3. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Office at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 18.4. Change of sail numbers will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

## **19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

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- 19.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the Race Committee appointed measurer or representative to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **20. ADVERTISING**

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- 20.1. Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the organising authority.

## **21. SUPPORT BOATS**

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- 21.1. Except when participating in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement or an abandonment (but not a general recall) of all fleets. The areas the boats are racing is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 meters of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail. During any starting sequence, support boats in the vicinity of the start line, shall stay at least 50 meters below the starting line and its extensions.
- 21.2. When the wind is less than 10 knots support boats shall not exceed 5 knots within 500m of the area where boats are racing.
- 21.3. When flag W (with a long sound signal) is displayed on a committee boat all support boats shall remain afloat and assist all sailors.
- 21.4. The Race Committee or the Protest Committee may protest any boat whose support boat is in breach of Instruction 21. Penalties imposed as a result of a protest under this rule will result in a penalty being imposed on the boat(s) supported by the support boat.

## **22. RUBBISH DISPOSAL**

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- 22.1. Boats shall not put rubbish in the water. Rubbish may be placed in support and race committee boats.

## **23. LAUNCHING AND RETRIEVAL RESTRICTIONS**

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- 23.1. Unless otherwise directed by the Race Committee, all competing boats and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from Murrays Bay beach.

## **24. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **25. PRIZES**

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- 25.1. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall (Open)
- 25.2. 29er National Champion and winner of the 29er Association of New Zealand Trophy (Awarded to the first placed New Zealand entrant)

## **26. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

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- 26.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at her own risk. See rule 4, *Decision to Race*. The Organising Authority and its agents (specifically including the personnel of the Organising Authority) together with other parties involved in the Regatta accept no responsibility or liability whatsoever for any loss, damage, injury or death which may occur to any person or property, whether ashore or afloat, as a consequence of participation in the Regatta or otherwise.