

# 2021 STARLING NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIP Kohimarama Yacht Club 23-24 January 2021

# The Organising Authority is the Kohimarama Yacht Club Kohimarama Auckland

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

### 1 RULES

- **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** Appendix T, *Arbitration*, will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply, as amended by SI 14
- Rule 63.7 is changed to read, "If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, then the Sailing Instructions shall prevail"

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Kohimarama Yacht Club

# 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag staff at Kohimarama Yacht Club
- **4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 A boat shall not go afloat until flag D is displayed ashore. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed.

  [DP]



# 5 DEVELOPMENT FLEET

The Development Fleet will utilise the same start line as the Open Fleet, but may use a different course to the Open Fleet, the course will be displayed on the committee boat. The Development Fleet will have their own start time before the Open Fleet.

# 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES/CLASS FLAGS

# **6.1** Schedule of Racing:

Day/Date:	Starling Class	No of Races:	Time of First Warning
			Signal:
23 Jan	Development Fleet	4	10:30
23 Jan	Open Fleet	4	10:35
24 Jan	Development Fleet	3	10:00
24 Jan	Open Fleet	3	10:05

One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to SI 3.

- 6.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 6.3 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1400hrs

# 7 Class Flags

The Class flags will be-:

- a) Development Fleet: The Class Flag will be Green
- b) Open Fleet: The Class Flag will be the class insignia (a red star) on a white background.

# 8 RACING AREAS

The Race Area will be on the waters off Kohimarama and St Heliers

# 9 THE COURSES

9.1 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.



### 10 MARKS

**10.1** Mark descriptions are provided in Attachment A.

### 11 STARTS

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- **11.2** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]
- 11.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

# 12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- **12.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.

# 13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

# 14 PENALTY SYSTEMS

- **14.1** Appendix P will apply as changed by SI 14.2 and 14.3
- 14.2 RRS Appendix P2.2 and Appendix 2.3 will not apply and RRS Appendix P2.1 is change so that it will apply to any penalty.
- 14.3 If a boat is penalised under Appendix P2.1 after she has finished, she shall be given a scoring penalty of 10%, scored in accordance with RRS 44.3(c), without a hearing.

# 15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

**15.1** \*Time limits and target times are as follows

CLASS	TARGET TIME	FINISH WINDOW	TIME LIMIT
Development Fleet	50 minutes	20 minutes	80 minutes
Open Fleet	50 minutes	20 minutes	80 minutes



**15.2** Boats failing to finish within the Finish Window after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

# 16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **16.1** Protest forms are available at the race office, located at Kohimarama Yacht Club Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- **16.2** For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.3 Immediately after finishing a boat intending to protest shall, in addition to the requirements of RRS61.1(a), inform the [race committee] [protest committee] at the finishing line of her intention to protest and the identity of the boat(s) protested against. The protesting boat must receive an acknowledgement from the [race committee] [protest committee]. This changes RRS 61.
- Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the Kohimarama Yacht Club. Failure to attend will not be grounds for Redress or Reopening RRS 62 and 66. Hearings may be held before the end of the protest time.
- Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- **16.6** Breaches of SIs 4.3, 19, 20, 21 and 22will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 16.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision 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 30 minutes after the party was informed of the decision on the day.

This changes RRS 62.2



### 17 SCORING

- 17.1 Seven (7) races are scheduled
- **17.2** *3* races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

# 17.3

- a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- b) When 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

### 18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- **18.1** Boats not leaving the shore for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the race office.
- **18.2** Check –out and check –in ashore:
  - a) Competitors shall individually check out before racing by personally signing the check-out sheets located at the Kohimarama Yacht Club [DP]
  - b) Competitors shall individually check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing, no later than the protest time limit by signing the check-in sheets located at the Kohimarama Yacht Club [DP]
- 18.3 A boat retiring from racing shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the Race Office as soon as possible after returning ashore. [DP]
- **18.4** Boats retiring from racing shall in accordance with SI 17.4 shall complete a retirement declaration form at the Race Office before the protest time limit. [DP]

# 19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- **19.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

# **20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

On the water or ashore, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or the technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.



### 21 SUPPORT BOATS

- 21.1 Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and are restricted to a 5 knot speed limit, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start of a sequence of starts until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment of all races. The areas the boats are racing in is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 metres of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail. [DP]
- **21.2** All personnel afloat must be wearing a suitable floatation device.
- 21.3 When flag V (with a long sound signal) is displayed on a committee boat all support boats are requested to remain afloat and assist all sailors.

# 22 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. [DP]

### 23 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

The North Island Championship trophy shall be awarded to the highest ranked sailor under19 years of age on 24th January, 2021.

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority and/or the Starling Class Association.

# 24 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid marine third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

# 25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.