



2017 SAIL AKARANA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1-2 APRIL 2017

Organising Authority

Royal Akarana Yacht Club
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1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.3 Class Rules shall apply.
- 1.4 For protests where only a Rule of Part 2, or Rule 31 is alleged to have been broken an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any formal hearing.
- 1.5 Boats shall at all times observe the Auckland Council Navigation Safety bylaws in particular section 3.14.1. Moving prohibited zone. *A moving prohibited zone extending to 100m astern and 100m to each side of a vessel, and continued at such width to 500m ahead, following the line of the buoyed channel when changing course, is reserved around any vessel of 500 gross tonnage or greater, when that vessel is underway within the pilotage areas of Auckland (excluding Tamaki River) and Manukau. When navigating within marked channel, the moving prohibited zone to the side of the vessel may be reduced to the width of the marked channel and the zone ahead of the vessel shall follow the line of the marked channel.*

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official noticeboard in the RAYC/ASC Clubhouse.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

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

5. SCHEDULE

Saturday 1 April

0930 hrs - Briefing

1100 hrs - First Warning Signal, up to three races back to back

Sunday 2 April

0930 hrs - Briefing

1100 hrs - First Warning Signal, up to three races back to back

ASAP after racing – Prize giving

No warning signal will be made after 1530 hours on Sunday 2 April 2017

6. CLASS FLAGS

Flying 15:	Flying 15 Class Flag
M-Class:	M-Class Class Flag
A-Class Cats & Moths:	Pink Flag
Feva:	Purple Flag
Optimist:	Optimist Class Flag
Waszp:	Yellow Flag
RS700:	White Flag
12' Skiff:	12' Skiff Class Flag
18' Skiff:	18' Skiff Class Flag

7. RACING AREA

The racing area is on the waters of the Auckland Harbour between Mechanics Bay, Rough Rock to St Heliers Beach.

8. COURSES

- 8.1 The courses will be as per Attachment 1
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display a course board / flag designating the course to be sailed

9. MARKS

- 9.1 The marks will be as per Attachment 1
- 9.2 "Fairway Marks" Yachts shall not pass between the shore and Tamaki beacon, Torpedo Bay Marker, permanently moored boats and the wave-break, or between Bean Rock reef black mark and Bean Rock

10. THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an Orange flag on the start boat and the port-end starting mark.
- 10.2 The Race Committee Vessel(s) may hold station by using engines. Any effects(s) shall not be grounds for granting redress. This alters RRS 62.1 b and 62.2

11. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finish boat and the finishing mark.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

For all classes rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty

13. TIME LIMIT & TARGET TIMES

- 13.1 Failure to meet the target times will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 13.2 The time limits and target times in minutes for the first boat are as follows:

Target Time	Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit
40 minutes	55 minutes	20 minutes
- 13.3 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4 and A5.

14. PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest forms are available at the race office located in the RAYC/ASC office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 14.3 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 in the RAYC/ASC clubhouse beginning at the time posted.
- 14.4 Notices or protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 14.5 Breaches of instructions 13.1, 18 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decided. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 14.6 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 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 14.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

15. SCORING

- 15.1 Six (6) races are scheduled with no reserve day.
- 15.2 Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3 There will be one (1) drop for every six (6) races completed.

16. SAFETY

- 16.1 Each boat shall "sign on" and "sign off" for each day's racing on a sheet to be found on a table beside the official notice board upstairs at RAYC/ASC.
- 16.2 A boat that retires from a race or returns to the launching area before she has finished the last race of the day shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

17. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules and sailing instructions. On the water a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

18. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 18.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction includes mobile telephones
- 18.2 The Race Channel will be 27 unless the Race Officer advises otherwise

19. DISCLAIMER OF ENTRY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

20. RIGHTS TO USE NAME & LIKENESS

By participating in the event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at the discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for said event in which the competitor participated and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

21. USE OF DRONE FOR MEDIA

All those who take part in the regatta as competitors as well as support crew or spectators agree to be overflown by a drone during the duration of the event, this includes your person and your property (boats).

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

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ATTACHMENT 1 COURSES

COURSE	DESCRIPTION	MARKS
D1	START – 1/A/B – FINISH	1 – Yellow Tubular 1A – Orange Tubular 1B – Small Orange Tubular
D2	START – 1/A/B – GATE – 1/A/B – FINISH	GATE – Orange Tubular Start/Finish – Red with black markings
D3	START – 1/A/B – GATE – 1/A/B – GATE – 1/A/B – FINISH	<i>1 – 12' Skiffs, 18' Skiffs, Moth, A-Class</i> <i>1A – All other classes</i> <i>1B – Optimist, Starling, Feva</i>

