



2020 YATES CUP

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Friday 17th July 2020

Organising Authority

Royal Akarana Yacht Club - 8-10 Tamaki Drive - Okahu Bay, Auckland 1071

VHF: Channel 4 | Race Management: 021 173 6264 | rayc@rayc.co.nz

NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Sailing Instructions 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 series will be governed by:
 - 1.2.1 The rules as they apply to IRC and PHRF handicapping methods.
 - 1.2.2 The Notice of Race, except as changed by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 The YNZ Safety Regulations Part 2, Category 3 plus the following will apply:
 - 1.3.1 30% of crew must have current Advanced Sea Survival training
- 1.4 All yachts must carry the following additional equipment extra to Category 3:
 - 1.4.1 Danbuoy and light that meets the YNZ Safety Regulations Part 2, Category 2, rule 17.13(b) and (c).
 - 1.4.2 Lifteraft in service that meets the YNZ Safety Regulations Part 2, Category 3, rule 17.11.
- 1.5 The Racing Rules will be modified in accordance with rule 86 as follows
 - 1.5.1 Rules of RRS Part 2 are replaced during the race between the hours of official sunset and sunrise by the right-of-way rules of the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea.
 - 1.5.2 Movement of sails not in use while racing is allowed; however, gear and sails not being flown must remain within the boat's lifelines. This modifies RRS 51 only as to the movement of sails.
 - 1.5.3 RRS 52, Manual Power, shall not apply

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Yates Cup page of the website (www.rayc.co.nz/yatescup) and on the RAYC Facebook Page.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before by 2000 hours Thursday

16th July 2020. Changes will be available on the RAYC website (www.rayc.co.nz/yatescup).

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flagpole at Royal Akarana Yacht Club

5. SCHEDULE

5.1 Wednesday 15 July

Entry Deadline - Midday

Documentation Deadline - Midday

5.2 Thursday 16 July

Race & Weather Briefing 1900 hours

Royal Akarana Yacht Club / New Navigators Room

restrictions, the briefing may be conducted online. Confirmation to be provided.

5.3 Friday 17 July

Multihull Race Warning Signal 1555hrs

Monohull Race Warning Signal 1600hrs

5.4 Thursday 23 July

Prize Giving 1830 hours

Royal Akarana Yacht Club / New Navigators Room

This amends NOR Clause 5

6. CLASS FLAGS

Multihull – Green

Monohull – White

7. THE COURSE

Start Orakei, leaving Rangitoto to starboard, Channel Is. (leave to starboard), Cuvier Is. (leave to port), Great Barrier Is. (leave to port), Poor Knights Islands (leave to port), Sail Rock (leave to port), Finish Orakei.

8. THE START

8.1 The Start Line

The start line will be between the yellow Orakei buoy (Mark 17 – 36° 50.54S 174° 48.70E) and a mast flying an Orange flag on the race committee signal boat. The race committee signal boat will fly a RAYC burgee.

8.2 Alternate Start Line

Should conditions be such that the committee boat cannot hold station, the starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the eastern end of the Orakei Wharf and the port end yellow Orakei buoy (mark 17)

8.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]

8.4 A boat starting later than 15 minutes after the official start time is to contact RAYC on 021 173 6264 and advise of their intention to start.

8.5 A boat starting later than 45 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

8.6 A boat which, after it's warning signal, crosses the start line and fails to return to the prestart side of the line and start correctly will be penalized 20 minutes on elapsed time. This changes RRS 29.

9. RECALLS

9.1 Recalls may be notified by radio on VHF 4

- 9.2 Competitors are reminded that radio recall information is provided as an aid and the provision or failure of the aid will not form the basis of any protest or redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

10. TEMPORARY DISCONTINUANCE FROM RACING (amends RRS 41 & 45)

- 10.1 During the race, a boat may put in anywhere and anchor or moor for any purpose. It may be towed for a distance not exceeding 2 nautical miles into, and for a distance not exceeding 2 nautical miles out of any harbour or anchorage provided that the total of any such towing can be shown not to have advantaged the boat towards the finish. When so anchored or moored other people may come aboard to effect repairs providing the boat continues in the race with the same stores and equipment as prior to seeking assistance. Boats must finish the race with the same crew as started.
- 10.2 RRS 41(c) is changed to read: Help in the form of information freely available to all boats and any publicly offered internet or broadcast weather information from sources available to all competitors, whether on a subscription or free basis is allowable. Allowable services must provide the same information to all competitors and not provide boat specific weather routing information. Competitors may use any means to retrieve the data. Accessing other information during the race will be considered a violation of this rule.

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between the Orakei Yellow Buoy, and the Royal Akarana Yacht Club. The bearing from RAYC to the Orakei Yellow Buoy is approximately 350 degrees magnetic. The southern extent of the line is marked by the row of piles surrounding the Okahu Bay safe harbour. Finishing yachts must pass to the north of these piles in an east to west direction. It is the responsibility of each boat to ensure it is properly identified. Finishing yachts need to contact Akarana Race Control as approaching the line (approximately 10 minutes before finishing) on channel 4, volunteers will then confirm a yacht finish via this channel.
- 11.2 Approximately 1 hour prior to finishing boats are required to contact "Akarana Race Control" on VHF 4 and advise their ETA. If VHF4 is unresponsive then contact the on-duty volunteer on 021 173 6264
- 11.3 All boats are to complete a finishing declaration and submit it to the RAYC office by no later than four hours after their finish time. All finishing declarations are to be sent to suellen@rayc.co.nz with the following information.
Boat Name, Skipper Name, Finish Time (corrected to GPS time) [DP].

12. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 Protest forms are available to download from the RAYC website (yachting » general). Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be emailed to suellen@rayc.co.nz within the appropriate time limit.
- 12.2 The protest time limit is 4 hours after the last boat has finished the race.
- 12.3 Notices will be posted no later than one (1) hour 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 club house beginning at the time posted.
- 12.4 Notices or protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 12.5 A request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
This changes rule 66.
- 12.6 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.

13. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP]

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 a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designed area for inspection.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION AND POSITION REPORTING PROCEDURE [DP]

- 14.1 Except in an emergency or for media purposes, 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.
- 14.2 Up to 15 minutes prior to the warning signal boats are required to contact "Akarana Race Control" on VHF 4 and confirm their intent to race, boat name, sail number and number of people on board.
- 14.3 All boats are required to contact Coastguard on the follow VHF Channels after passing and/or rounding the following:
Cuvier Island: VHF Channel 60 or 64
Poor Knights Island: VHF Channel 60 or 64
When calling in all yachts are required to say the following:
"Coastguard Radio, Coastguard Radio. This is [BOAT NAME, [SAIL NUMBER], [CALLSIGN], (repeat), racing in the Yates Cup at location, [CUVIER or POOR KNIGHTS]."

15. PREDICTWIND TRACKER

- 15.1 For public and race management information each entrant is asked to use the PredictWind GPS tracking service. To use the service, two smartphones are recommended (one as a back-up).
- 15.2 Full instructions on how to install and use the app are found at <http://www.predictwind.com/tracker>; Select yacht club: RAYC; Race: 2020 Yates Cup. Select your division and manually enter your yacht name. It is recommended that all competitors test the tracking functionality before the event and view the data at <http://forecast.predictwind.com/tracking/race/rayc> to ensure that the service is working on their phone. Any technical enquiries or issues, please email PredictWind at support@predictwind.com.
- 15.3 Each competitor is asked to check their tracker is turned on and check battery levels are satisfactory at the start and each radio schedule. Only one phone should be used to send tracking data at any time.

16. PRIZES

The following prizes will be awarded:

- 16.1 The Yates Cup trophy will be awarded to the overall winner on PHRF Passage TCF
- 16.2 The Shorthanded Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner on PHRF Shorthanded
- 16.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority
- 16.4 The Yates Cup is Race 1 of the Ran Tan II Memorial Blue Water Championship

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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.

18. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND 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.

19. USE OF DRONE FOR MEDIA

All those who take part in the race as competitors as well as support crew agree to be overflown by a drone during the duration of the race, this includes your person and your property.

20. IMPORTANT CONTACT DETAILS

RAYC Race Management: 021 173 6264
Safety Officer (Graham Sharp): 027 477 1589
Race Officer (Fred Price): 021 175 0632
Media (Suellen Hurling): 021 892 004