

2024 Auckland Junior Winter Sprint Series

18th June to 21st September, 2024

Howick Sailing Club, Wakatere Boating Club, Kohimarama Yacht Club, Murrays Bay Sailing Club and Royal Akarana Yacht Club.

The Organising Authority is the NZ International Optimist Dinghy Association, in association with Howick Sailing Club, Wakatere BC, Kohimarama YC, Murrays Bay SC and Royal Akarana Yacht Club.

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR 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 2021-2024*.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
Refer - <http://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/racing/safety-regulations>
- 1.3 Under RRS 86, *Changes to The Racing Rules* the following racing rules will be changed as follows:
 - RRS 35, A4 and A5 will be changed to state that boats still racing but failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish,
 - RRS 60.1(a) will be changed to state that a competitor cannot protest another boat or competitor for breaches of some specific parts of the Sailing Instructions or Supplementary Sailing Instructions,
 - RRS A4 and A5 will be changed to state that a boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

The changes will appear in full in the Supplementary Sailing Instructions. The Supplementary Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.4 The Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, *Standard Sailing Instructions*, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the notice board located in the hosting club's club-rooms.
- 1.5 Appendix T, *Arbitration* will apply.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20, *Advertising Code*. [DP]

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist (Green and Open fleet), P-Class, Starling, Feva and Open Skiff classes that comply with their Class Rules.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing an entry form at registration and paying the correct entry fee on race day.
- 3.3 Each skipper shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the competitor's national authority.

4 CLASSIFICATION

There are no classification requirements in accordance with RRS 79.

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$20.00 per boat per race day for all classes. Entry fees must be paid at the time of registration in cash each day.
- 5.2 Only competitors who have paid the entry fee prior to the last race sailed for the day will be eligible for inclusion in that days results and to participate in the prizes of the Regatta series.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 *Registration:*

Daily, 1230 – 1300, at the respective hosting yacht club clubrooms.

The last event on September 16th will be part of the Ice Breaker regatta with registration starting at 9:00.

7.2 *Briefing:*

Daily, 1250 each race day, at the respective hosting yacht club clubrooms.

7.3 *Dates of racing:*

Date	Venue	Number of Races
Sat 8 th June	Howick Sailing Club	3
Sat 15 th June	Royal Akarana Yacht Club	3
Sat 29 th June	Kohimarama Yacht Club	3
Sat 27 th July	Murrays Bay Sailing Club	3
Sat 10 th August	Wakatere Boating Club	3
Sat 31 st August	Kohimarama Yacht Club	3
Sat 21 st September	Murrays Bay Sailing Club	4

- 7.4 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for each race day is 1325 hours for events 1 to 6.

Event 6 on September 21st will be the Ice Breaker with first warning TBC.

7.5 Races may be sailed back-to-back.

8 MEASUREMENT

8.1 Measurement is not required, but each boat must meet its class regulations.

8.2 Beach trolleys shall be prominently marked with the boat's sail number.

8.3 In addition, spot measurement and safety checks may be conducted at any time throughout the regatta.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Appendix S shall apply.

Supplementary Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official noticeboard at the hosting club no later than 1200 hours on race day, and on the NZIODA website www.optimist.org.nz.

Paper copies will not be issued to competitors.

10 VENUE

10.1 The racing will be held, according to the regatta schedule, off:

- [Wakatere Boating Club](#)
- [Kohimarama Yacht Club](#)
- [Royal Akarana Yacht Club](#)
- [Murrays Bay Sailing Club](#)
- [Howick Sailing Club](#)

10.2 The approximate location of the racing area will be notified at the daily briefing.

11 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed shall use laid marks and be windward/leeward, triangle and/or trapezoid courses.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendix P may apply.

13 SCORING

13.1 The Low Points Scoring of Appendix A will apply.

13.2 Appendix A9 shall apply to the series.

13.3 Six (6) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 13.4
- (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (b) When 10 to 14 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
 - (b) When 15 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.

14 SUPPORT BOATS

- 14.1 All support boats must register with the Organising Authority at registration and nominate the boat(s) they support. [DP]
- 14.2 All support and coach boats must have VHF communications and be available to assist the race committee if required. [DP]

15 LAUNCHING AND STORAGE

- 15.1 All competing boats shall be launched and retrieved from the beach at the hosting yacht club, unless instructed otherwise by the Organising Authority. [DP]
- 15.2 Beach trolleys must be stacked neatly in accordance with the hosting club instructions detailed in the SSI's. [DP]

16 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]

17 PRIZES

- 17.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows:
- The three highest placed competitors in the overall results in each class,
 - The highest placed female in the overall results in each class.
- 17.2 Overall series certificates will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd male and female in Optimist Green and Open fleets at the final event of the season.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, *Decision to Race*. The organizing authority, hosting clubs, and any sponsors associated with the event will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the series.

20 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

21 USE OF DRONE FOR MEDIA

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