



RAYC 12 FOOT SKIFF NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
7th – 8th December 2024

The Organising Authority is Royal Akarana Yacht Club

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1** The event is 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** [NP] Boats shall at all times observe the Auckland Council Navigation Safety bylaws in particular Part 8, 55. A Moving Prohibited zone:

A moving prohibited zone extending to 100m astern and 100m to each side of a large vessel, and continued at such width to 500m ahead, following the line of the buoyed channel when changing course, is reserved around a large vessel, when that large vessel is underway within the pilotage areas of Auckland Harbour.

When navigating within a marked channel, the moving prohibited zone to the side of the vessel is reduced to the width of the marked channel and the zone ahead of the vessel shall follow the line of the marked channel."

The owner or person in charge of a vessel must not navigate the vessel within the moving prohibited Zone of a large vessel, within the pilotage areas of Auckland (excluding Tamaki River) and Manukau.

For the purpose of this clause, a tug and barge is considered a composite unit."
- 1.5** If there is conflict between the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at <https://rayc.co.nz> and on the notice board on the ground floor of the Hyundai Marine Sports Centre.

3.2 The race office is located at ground floor of the Hyundai Marine Sports Centre.
Email rayc@rayc.co.nz

3.3 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on a flag pole between the Hyundai Marine Sports Centre and the main boat ramp.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5.3 [DP] Flag D with one sound means 'Boats shall not leave the shore until this signal is made. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed.'

SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Schedule of Racing:

Day/Date:	Race No	Class Flag:	No of Races:	Time of First Warning Signal:
7 Dec 2024	1,2 & 3	12 on White	3	13.00
8 Dec 2024	4,5 & 6	12 on White	3	13.00

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 1 minute before a warning signal is made. The second and third race each day will be started back to back as soon as practicable.

6.3 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 16:00.

7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The 12' Skiff Class flag is a Black "12" on a white flag..

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The location of the racing area will be between Rough Rock Buoy and Resolution Buoy.

9 COURSES

9.1 The diagram in SI Addendum B shows the course(s), the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 Should conditions dictate, additional courses may be added and posted on the notice board at least 2 hours before any scheduled start of the first race of the day.

10 MARKS

10.1 All Marks will be yellow racing marks within the harbour plus Kohi West Post and Rough Rock Black.

10.2 All marks shall be rounded to as per the courses provided.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

11.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

11.3 A boat that does not start within 8 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12 THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the committee boat side of the end finishing mark.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES]

14.1 The Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), Target Time and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Class	Target Time	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
12' SKIFF	60 Minutes	80 Minutes	25 Minutes

14.2 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

14.3 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15 Protests and requests for redress.

15.1 The protest time limit is *90* minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

15.2 Protest forms are available from the race office at Hyundai Marine Sports Centre.

15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of schedule of hearings in which they are parties to or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at New Navigators Room. The Protest Committee may commence Protest Hearings if the parties are available before the end of the notice period.

16 SCORING

16.1 The scoring system will be the low points system in accordance with Appendix A4.

16.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.3 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 5 or 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16.4 Rule A5.3 applies.

17 [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

18.1 Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

19 OFFICIAL VESSELS

19.1 Official vessels will be identified as follows: RAYC Burgee.

20 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

20.1 All official and support vessels shall always have an engine safety cut out switch (kill cord) attached to the driver while the engine is running, unless prior written exemption has been provided by the Organising Authority.

21 PRIZES

21.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

First on Line – Selection Series Trophy

22 RISK STATEMENT

22.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

23 INSURANCE

23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

24 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

24.1 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.

25 USE OF DRONE FOR MEDIA

25.1 All those who take part in the regatta as competitors, 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).

Addendum A Racing Areas

