

2025 Auckland Secondary Schools Team Sailing Championships

Wednesday 26th March – Friday 28th March 2025
Royal Akarana Yacht Club, Auckland

Notice of Race

The Organizing Authority is the Royal Akarana Yacht Club (RAYC) in association with the New Zealand Team Sailing Association (NZTSA).

1. Rules

- 1.1. The event will be governed by 'the rules' as defined in 'The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028', including Appendix D.
- 1.2. The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations: Part 1 shall apply.
<https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/sites/default/files/2021-04/YachtingNewZealandSafetyRegulationsPart1.pdf>
- 1.3. All amendments to the RRS will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4. Competitors shall comply with the NZTSA Health and Safety plan and may be required to go ashore to receive medical attention. If this is the case and the team has no suitable reserves, then they will need to sail with only two boats against the three boats of the opposition.
- 1.5. YNZ Ethical Guidelines will be followed at all times. A copy can be found on the YNZ Website <https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/resources/ynz-ethical-guidelines-sailors-coaches-and-parents-volunteers>

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing instruction will be available no later than the time of registration and will be published on the RAYC website. Even though amendments may be posted on the internet, the official communication of any amendments will be by posting them on the RAYC official noticeboard.
- 2.2. Note: That in 2025 NZTSA is moving to a 2-minute preparatory signal (instead of 1 minute), in which umpiring and pre-start engagement can begin.

3. Eligibility

- 3.1. Entry is open to all teams meeting the requirements of the NOR below. Results and performance from this event may be used to seed team entries to the 2025 Secondary Schools Team Sailing Nationals Championships.
- 3.2. The minimum combined weight of the helmsman and crew of each boat must be 110kg, inclusive of up to 10kg of corrector weights. Combinations weighing less than 110kg must carry these corrector weights at the foot of the mast for each race that the pair competes in, they must be labelled with a weight as well as the combination/school that they pertain to. There will be no weigh-in at this regatta, however it is the responsibility of the manager/teacher in charge to make certain that their pairs are always up to the minimum weight, spot checks will be performed during the regatta and teams found to be racing underweight may be subject to an RRS 69 hearing. Scales will be available throughout the regatta and crews are able to weigh in in **dry** sailing gear if they choose.
- 3.3. All teams must have a \$500 damage bond in place with the NZTSA or provide the Race Officer with a cheque made out to the NZTSA to hold for the period of the event as a bond.

- 3.4. Entries will be accepted until the closing date of Tuesday 18th March**, by submitting the online Entry Form to Auckland College Sport and paying the entry fee (see form at end of NOR for information required). Late entries may be accepted.
- 3.5.** In the event of a team causing major damage to a boat or boats they will be required to pay an additional amount to cover the cost of the damage if they wish to continue competing in the event.
- 3.6.** Teams must provide a support person to assist with the event for each day of sailing and advise the tasks they are able to perform (e.g., rigging boats, repairing, starting/finishing, umpiring, beach master etc.).
- 3.7.** Teams are asked to provide a rigid inflatable boat (RIB) to assist with the running of the regatta if they are able, from clubs around Auckland or otherwise. Information regarding this RIB should be communicated to RAYC on sailing@rayc.co.nz.

4. Boats and Equipment

- 4.1.** RAYC will coordinate the supply of all the 420s required for the championships. Boats will be allocated according to a draw and shall not be modified except as set out in the Sailing Instructions.
- 4.2.** Boats will be fitted with coloured mainsails, being 200mm shorter in the leech than a standard 420 main and the size of a Sunburst main when reefed, and coloured standard sized jibs. Mains will be reefed at the Race Officer's discretion. All boats will be equalized as far as possible.
- 4.3.** Red protest flags will be supplied with each 420 and shall be permanently attached to the side-stays of the boats. Yellow breakdown flags will also be provided and shall remain attached to the vang.
- 4.4.** All teams shall supply their own bailers and be identifiable by wearing school bibs. If a team does not have school bibs, they must be identifiable in some way to aid the race committee with finishing and recording scores.
- 4.5.** Buoyancy vests must be worn by competitors and supporters at all times while afloat. It is noted that wearing large jackets over the top of buoyancy vests is not recommended.
- 4.6.** Any collisions, boat breakdowns and boat damage shall be immediately reported to an umpire or event official. Damage sheets are kept aboard the finish boat to keep good records of damage.

5. Schedule of Events

Date	Time	Description
Weds 26 th March	0800	Event Registration
	0900	Competitors Briefing at the Hyundai Marine Sports Centre. Volunteers' briefing will immediately follow this.
	1000	Scheduled time of first race Racing will continue until up to 1700
Thurs 27 th March	0830	Competitors Briefing
	0915	Scheduled time of first race Racing will continue until up to 1700
Fri 28 th March	0830	Competitors Briefing

	0915	<p>Scheduled time of first race</p> <p>It is intended that prizegiving will take place around 30 minutes after the final boat has reached the shore after racing, at the HMSC building.</p>
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5.1. No round of racing will be commenced if in the opinion of the Race Officer it is unlikely to be completed (except as provided for in D4.2b). However, racing may continue after the above times to complete a series already commenced.

6. Sailing Instructions

6.1. The full starting sequence will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

7. Racing Area

7.1. The sailing area will be the waters of Okahu Bay off the Royal Akarana Yacht Club, Auckland. The Race Committee may elect to sail in alternate areas should conditions prove to be unsuitable.

8. Course

8.1. The course will be a right hand/Starboard 'S' course.

9. Scoring

9.1. It is the intention that a Swiss-League format will be used for this regatta, followed by a final series. This is subject to change by the organizing authority.

9.2. Scoring will be in accordance with RRS D3 and D4. Further information regarding the format and scoring of the regatta will be available in the Sailing Instructions.

9.3. For the event to be 'completed' at least five rounds of Swiss-League shall be fully completed. Alternatively, at least one round-robin must be completed for the event to be 'completed'. This changes RRS D4.2(b).

10. Prizes

10.1. The Auckland Cup Trophy will be awarded to the top one-school team.

10.2. Medals will be awarded to the highest ranked three one-school teams, as well as the highest ranked all-female team.

11. Team Support Boats

11.1. Team support and spectator boats shall remain in the area to windward of the finishing line and are to remain anchored unless they are directly changing over.

11.2. Students' conduct while onboard RIBs shall be appropriate to ensure the safety of all competitors at the regatta.

12. Use Of Drone

12.1. Drones cannot be used at NPYC or anywhere in the Port Taranaki area due to Port safety and security rules.

13. Further Information

Results and other event information will be available from the website www.rayc.co.nz/
from Jamie Catchpole at jamie@rayc.co.nz

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ENTRY FORM (2 pages to complete)

Tick

- Entry fee
- Bond cheque of \$500 made to NZTSA (if not already held by NZTSA)

Total paid:

Team Name:					
	Name:		WEIGHT	School Year	Club Represented
BOAT 1	HELM				
	CREW				
BOAT 2	HELM				
	CREW				
BOAT 3	HELM				
	CREW				
Reserve	1.				
Reserve	2.				

Team Manager/Coach
Contact email address
Phone Home/mobile



Inflatable RIB provided?	
Contact for RIB provided	
Contact for Umpire/assistant	
Course/onshore helper	
Contact for course helper	

Declaration

I/We agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event.

I/We understand that the supply of false or omission of information required by the entry form and relevant to qualification requirements for entry may lead to disqualification.

I/We understand that neither the Organising Authority and its officers, members and servants or other persons assisting with the conduct of the event accepts any responsibility in respect of any injury or loss to person or property that may be sustained by reason of participation in the event or howsoever arising in connection with the event. I/We agree to the Organising Authority and Yachting New Zealand holding the above information for the general administration and well-being of the sport, and for them to retain, use and disclose the information to affiliated organizations and any other persons or organizations that Yachting New Zealand believes will further the interests and objectives of Yachting New Zealand. I acknowledge my right to access to and correction of this information. The consent is given in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993.

Signed..... Date

As authorized representative of: (Name of School)