



New Zealand National Keelboat Championships 2nd - 4th May 2025
The Organising Authority is the Royal Akarana Yacht Club, 8-10 Tamaki Drive , Okahu Bay

SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SSI)

This sheet and Addendum A are supplements to Appendix S of the Racing Rules of Sailing

RULES

SSI 1 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.

NOTICES TO COMPETITORS (SI 2)

SSI 2 The race office is located at Hyundai Marine Sports Centre, telephone 09 5200203, email sailing@rayc.co.nz.

The official notice board is located at <https://rayc.co.nz/event/nz-national-keelboat-championships/> VHF channel 77 will be used on the water.

SIGNALS MADE ASHORE (SI 4)

SSI 3 Signals made ashore shall be displayed on the flagstaff located between the Hyundai Marine Sports Centre and the main boat ramp.

SSI 4 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 90 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

SCHEDULE OF RACES AND CLASS FLAGS (SI 5 & 6)

Day/Date	Number of Races	Time of first warning signal
Saturday May 3rd	Up to 5	1000
Sunday May 4th	Up to 5	1000

The Class Flag shall be a white flag

SSI 6 On Sunday May 4th 2025 no warning signal shall be made after 1500.

COURSES (SI 7)

SSI 7 The courses to be sailed, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left are shown in Addendum A.

SSI 8 In the event that a gate mark is missing and has not been replaced with an object displaying flag M, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

MARKS (SI 8)

SSI 9 The description of the marks is in the table in Addendum A.

THE START (SI 10)

SSI 10 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and 5.2.

CHANGE OF COURSE (SI 11)

SSI 11 To change the position of the windward mark, the race committee shall lay a new Blue mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. A new offset mark (mark 1a) shall not be laid.

TIME LIMITS (SI 12)**SSI 12**

Fleet/Class	Target time for first finisher	Finish Window	Race time limit
MRX	40 minutes	15 minutes	75 minutes

There is no prescribed time limit for the first boat to pass mark 1.

PENALTY SYSTEM

SSI 13 Rule 44.1 is changed so the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

UMPIRE OBSERVATION

SSI 14

- 14.1 Umpires may observe the racing and provide advisory umpire signals. If an umpire observes an incident where a boat protests, one of the following signals may be made:
- (a) A green and white flag with one long sound means 'The umpires saw the incident and believe that no rule was broken'.
 - (b) A red flag with one long sound means 'The umpires saw the incident and believe that one or more boats have broken a rule'. The umpires will hail or signal each boat identified to have broken a rule.
 - (c) A "J" flag with one long sound means 'The umpires do not have the facts to make a decision'.
- 14.2 The signals displayed by the umpires are for information only. If a red flag is displayed, any identified boat is not obliged to take the applicable penalty, however if she does not, the Umpire, as part of the protest committee, may protest that boat. If a green and white flag or the "J" flag is displayed, a boat may still protest, or a boat may choose to take the applicable penalty.
- 14.3 If a green and white flag is displayed for an incident, the protest committee will only protest a boat for an incident involving her that may have resulted in injury or serious damage, or if the protest committee learns during the hearing of a valid protest that the boat, although not a party to the hearing, was involved in the incident and may have broken a rule. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.4(b).

SCORING

SSI 15

- 15.1 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 15.3 When from 6 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15.4 When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

BOATS & SAILS

SSI 16

- 16.1 The regatta will be sailed in Farr MRX Yachts allocated by the Race Committee. Competitors shall not make any alterations to the boats and may only use the equipment and sails supplied by MRX Yachting.
- 16.2 The sail combination to be used shall be displayed using code flags from the RC vessel not less than 5 minutes before the warning signal.

16.3 The signal's displayed shall have the following meanings:

NO Flag-	Mainsail, any Jib/Genoa, Spinnaker
Flag R-	Mainsail, Jib #2, Spinnaker
Flag O-	Mainsail, Jib #2
Flag H-	No Spinnaker (may be displayed at any rounding mark)

BREAKDOWN & TIME FOR REPAIRS

SSI 17

- 17.1 Before the warning signal of a race or within two minutes of finishing, whichever is later, a boat may display a Green Flag and make radio contact with the RC to signal a breakdown or damage to the boat, her sails or injury to her crew and request a delay to the next start. She shall proceed as soon as possible to the leeward side of the RC vessel and remain there unless otherwise directed.
- 17.2 The time allowed for repairs shall be at the discretion of the RC.
- 17.3 After the warning signal of a race, a race shall not be postponed or abandoned due to a breakdown unless the breakdown signal was displayed as per SSI 17.1.
- 17.4 Except when Rule 61.2(b)(1) applies, failure to effect repairs in the time allowed, or breakdowns after the warning signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 61.

LIFE JACKETS for CREW MEMBERS

SSI 18 At the discretion of the RC, not less than 5 minutes before the warning signal, code flag Y may be displayed requiring all crew to wear life jackets.

SUPPORT VESSELS

SSI 19 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.

