

ROYAL AKARANA YACHT CLUB

AUCKLAND WINTER SPRINT SERIES 2026

Akarana Leg – 14 June 2026

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.

SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SSI)

For Optimist White, Optimist Open, P Class, Starling, RS Feva

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

RULES

SSI 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as detailed in the Notice of Race ('NoR')

SSI 1.2 Appendix T, *Arbitration* will apply.

SSI 1.3 Appendix P, *Special Procedures for Rule 42* will apply.

SSI 1.4 [NP] Boats shall at all times observe the Auckland Council Navigation Safety 2021 bylaws in particular Part 2 subpart 10, 54. Vessels must not impede a large vessel in a pilotage area.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS (SI 2)

SSI 2.1 The race office is located at the Akarana Yacht Club (RAYC).

SSI 2.2 The official notice board is located in the Joyce Fisher Room adjoining the restaurant.

SSI 2.3 The online official notice board is located at <https://rayc.co.nz>

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE (SI 4)

SSI 3.1 Signals ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff located outside the Akarana Yacht Club.

SSI 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

SSI 3.3 Flag D with a sound signal 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 20 minutes after D flag is displayed.

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

Day/Date	Fleet/Class	Number of Races	Time of first warning signal	Class Flag
Sun 14 June	Opti White	3	11:00hrs	White flag with Optimist insignia
	Opti Open	3		Gold flag with Optimist insignia
	P Class	3		White flag with P Class insignia
	Starling	3		White flag with Starling insignia
	RS Feva	3		White flag with RS Feva insignia

Supporters/Mark Layers Briefing- A briefing will be held for supporters and mark layers at 9.30hrs in shed.

Sailors' Briefing- A briefing will be held for all classes in Te Kawau room at Akarana at 10.00hrs.

SSI 4.1 Depending on registrations on the day, fleets/classes may be combined which may alter the above starting sequence. This will be advised at the briefing.

5. COURSES (SI 7)

SSI 5.1 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.

6. MARKS (SI 8)

SSI 6.1 The description of the marks is in the table in Addendum A.

7. THE START (SI 9)

SSI 7.1 When a starting sequence is in progress, boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as the area 50 metres from the starting line and marks in all directions.

SSI 7.2 A boat starting later than two minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and 5.2.

SSI 7.3 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 3 minutes before the starting signal.

8. TIME LIMITS (SI 12)

SSI 8.1

Fleet/Class	Target time for first finisher	Finish Window	Race time limit
All classes	30 minutes	N/A	45 minutes

There is no prescribed time limit for the first boat to pass mark 1 or a finishing window.

SSI 8.2 RRS 35 and A5 are changed such that the race committee may give a finishing place to any boat on the course where boats have not yet finished. Boats shall be awarded a finishing place matching her overall position in that race.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

SSI 9.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

10. SIGN ON AND SIGN OFF

SSI 10.1 [DP] Boats shall comply with the following sign on and sign off procedure:

All sailors shall sign on/sign off on the sheets positioned next to the official notice board before they go afloat. Sailors shall sign the same sheets to sign off as they return to shore.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS (SI 13)

SSI 11.1 Immediately after finishing a boat intending to protest shall inform the race committee boat at the finishing line of her intention to protest and the identity of the boat(s) being protested. The protesting boat must receive an acknowledgement from the race committee. This changes RRS 61. Protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last race of the day or no more racing is signaled.

12. SUPPORT VESSELS

SSI 12.1 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. All vessels shall have a VHF radio and monitor channel 77.

Addendum A

Course Illustration – Trapezoid with beat to finish - separate finish

IW

Course: Inner Trapezoid with beat to finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
IW1	Start – 1 – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish
IW2	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish
IW3	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish

Starling, RS Feva

OW

Course: Outer Trapezoid with beat to finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
OW1	Start – 1 – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish
OW2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish
OW3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – 2 – 3s/3p – 2 – 3p – 5 – Finish

Opti White, Opti Open, P Class

Mark	Description
1 2	Yellow Cylinder & Blue Cylinder
3s 3p	Yellow Triangle
4s 4p	Orange Triangle
5	Orange Teardrop
SS Starting mark starboard end	Committee Vessel
SP Starting mark port end	Orange Teardrop
FS Finishing mark starboard end	Committee Vessel
FP Finishing mark port end	Orange Teardrop