

Tauranga Starling Traveler Series

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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 and the class rules.
- **1.2** The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- **1.3** Appendix T, *Arbitration*, will apply.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 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 in the basement of TYPBC.
- **3.2** The race office is located in the lower floor of the TYPBC.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- **4.1** [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- **4.2** [DP] Competitors and support persons shall place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed next to the TYPBC flagpole.
- **5.2** [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.'

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

Day/Date	Class	Number of races	Time of First
			Warning Signal
13-04-2024	Starling Class	3	1055hr
14-04-2024	Starling Class	3	1025hr

- 6.2 One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that the class becomes no more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to SI 2
- 6.3 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 five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- **6.4** On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500hr.

7 CLASS FLAG

The Class flag is a Red Star on a white background.

8 RACING AREA

The races will be held within the confines of the Tauranga Harbour.

9 COURSES

9.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum A shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the course number.

10 MARKS

Mark descriptions are as follows:

Mark	Description	New mark description as provided in SI 13
1	A yellow cylindrical buoy approx. 1.2 meters high	A red cylindrical buoy approx. 1.2 meters high
2	A yellow cylindrical buoy approx. 1.2 meters high	
3	A yellow cylindrical buoy approx. 1.2 meters high	
Start – Starboard End	Committee vessel	
Start – Port End	Committee vessel	
Finish – Starboard End	Committee vessel	
Finish – Port End	Committee vessel	

11 THE START

- **11.1** The starting line is between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- **11.2** A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line is between staffs displaying blue flags on the finishing marks.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

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

15 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

15.1 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
Starling Class	40 minutes	60 minutes	15 minutes

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

16 HEARING REQUESTS

- **16.1** The protest time limit is **60** 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.
- **16.2** Hearing request forms are available from the race office located in the lower floor of the TYPBC.
- **16.3** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the hall downstairs at TYPBC.
- **16.4** A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 under Appendix P will be posted.
- **16.5** Immediately after finishing a boat intending to protest shall, in addition to the requirements of RRS61.1(a), inform the race committee at the finishing line of her intention to protest and the identity of the boat(s) protested against. The protesting boat must receive an acknowledgement from the race committee. This changes RRS 61.

17 SCORING

- **17.1** 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- **17.2** (a) When 4 or less races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When more than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18 [DP][NP]SAFETYREGULATIONS

- **18.1** Check –out and check –in ashore:
 - a) Competitors shall individually check out before racing by personally signing the checkout sheets located next to the official notice board located downstairs at TYPBC. [DP]
 - b) Competitors shall individually check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing, no later than the protest time limit by signing the check-in sheets located next to the official notice board located downstairs at TYPBC. [DP]
- **18.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

[DP] 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.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- **20.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.
- **20.2** [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

21 OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official vessels will be identified as follows: The vessels will be displaying the club burgee.

22 [DP][NP] SUPPORT TEAMS

- **22.1** Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and are restricted to a 5 knot speed limit, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start of a sequence of starts until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment of all races. The areas the boats are racing in is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 metres of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing, is sailing or may sail.
- **22.2** Attention is drawn to the relevant local council bylaws regarding the wearing of lifejackets and other restrictions.
- **22.3** 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.

23 LAUNCHING

[DP][NP] Unless otherwise directed by the Organising Authority, all competing boats and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from in front of the TYPBC.

24 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows: 1st, 2nd & 3rd Overall 1st, 2nd & 3rd Women

25 RISK STATEMENT

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

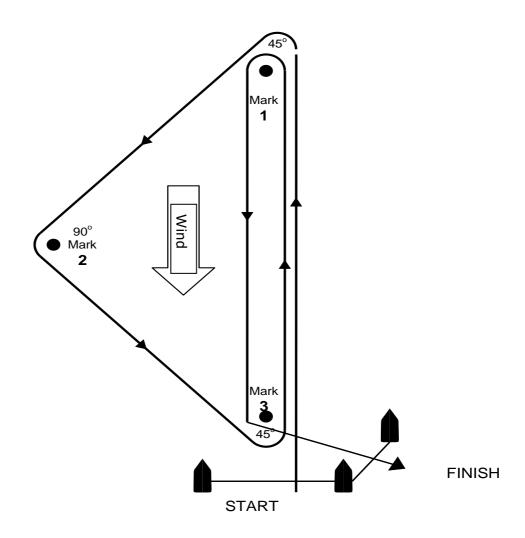
increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

26 INSURANCE

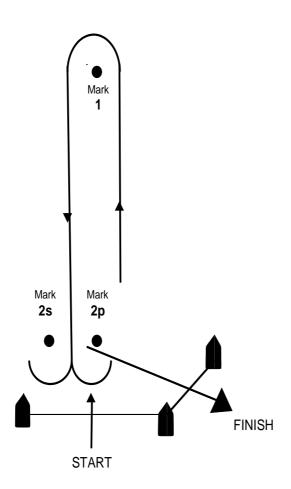
- **26.1** It is recommended that each participating boat should be insured with valid marine third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.
- **26.2** Support boats if they wish to enter the marina, MUST have a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. and a Certificate of insurance is to be presented at registration.

Addendum A

Triangle Windward-Leeward Course



Windward-Leeward Course



W1 START, 1, 2p, FINISH.

W2 START, 1, 2s/2p, 1, 2p, FINISH.

W3 START, 1, 2s/2p, 1, 2s/2p, 1, 2p, FINISH.

W4 START, 1, 2s/2p, 1, 2s/2p, 1, 2s/2p, 1, 2p, FINISH.