



TAURANGA YACHT & POWER BOAT CLUB (Inc)

2025 WINTER SERIES

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Sailing Instructions

1.0 Rules

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* and the class rules.
- 1.2** The YNZ Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.3** Racing rule A4.1 will be changed to 'a boat starting later than 5 minutes after starting signal will be scored DNS'
Racing rule 27.1 will be changed to no later than the Preparatory the race committee signal boat will display the course number.
- 1.4** Appendix T, Arbitration will apply

2.0 Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located downstairs at TYPBC.

3.0 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1100 hours on the day it will take effect.

4.0 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the clubhouse flagpole.
- 4.2** Flag D with one sound means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed. Boats are requested not to leave the beach until this signal is made.'
- 4.3** When a visual signal is displayed over a class flag it applies to that class only.

5.0 Schedule of Races

5.1 Race dates & Briefing Times

Public Hols/e vents	Date	Day	Event
May	18 th	SUN	CB Winter Series Race 1 Briefing 1030hrs
June	15 th	SUN	CB Winter Series Race 2 Briefing 1030hrs
June	29 th	SUN	CB Winter Series Race 3 Briefing 1030hrs
July	13 th	SUN	CB Winter Series Race 4 Briefing 1030hrs
July	27 th	SUN	CB Winter Series Race 5 Briefing 1030hrs
August	10 th	SUN	CB Winter Series Race 6 Briefing 1030hrs
August	24 th	SUN	CB Winter Series Race 7 Briefing 1030hrs

5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1125hrs.

5.3 The format of racing will be determined by the race committee and advised at each day's briefing.

5.4 No races shall be started after 1530 hours.

5.5 Races may be postponed, cancelled, or abandoned by the Race Committee or may be rescheduled to a later date.

5.6 Back-to-Back races will be scheduled.

6.0 Class Flags

Class flags will be:

Optimist White Fleet	Numeral Pennant No.1
Optimist	Numeral Pennant No.2
P Class	Numeral Pennant No.3
Hansa 303	Class symbol on a white background
Starling	Numeral Pennant No.5
Zephyrs	Class symbol on white background
Crewed Centreboard	Numeral Pennant No.7
Open Centreboard	Numeral Pennant No.8
ILCA	Class symbol on white background
Multihull	Numeral Pennant No 0

A minimum of 3 boats constitutes a class.

7.0 Racing Areas

Will be within the confines of the Tauranga Harbour.

8.0 The Courses

The diagrams in Attachment 1 show 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. Alternative course may be described at briefing.

9.0 Marks

9.1 The course marks will be yellow cylindrical buoys approximately 1.5 metres high.

9.2 New mark as provided in instruction 11.1 will be a red cylindrical buoy.

9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be the race committee signal boat at one end and a round a red buoy at the other end.

9.4 A race committee boat signalling a change in course is a mark as provided in instruction 11.2.

10.0 The Start

10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the port end starting mark.

10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

10.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1.

10.4 When a subsequent race or series of races are started on the same day the warning signal of the first class to start will be preceded by the display of a postponement signal for at least 4 minutes. This instruction will not apply after a general recall or abandonment.

11.0 Change of the Next Leg of the Course

11.1 To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg although the new mark may not yet be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signalling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

11.2 When a course change is signalled boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of course and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1

12.0 The Finish

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat at one end and the finishing mark at the other end

13.0 Penalty System

For the Optimist, P Class, Hansa. & Zephyr classes **rules 44.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty**

14.0 Time Limits and Target Times

14.1 The target time for each class will be 40 minutes. The time limit for the race is 60 minutes unless otherwise specified at the briefing.

14.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.1.

15.0 Protests and Requests for Redress

15.1 **Immediately** after finishing a boat intending to protest shall, in addition to the requirements of rule 60.2(a), inform the race committee boat 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 rule 60.2.

15.2 For protests where only a rule of Part 2 is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any formal hearing. RRS Appendix T will apply

15.3 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

15.4 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the committee boat returns to the marina at the end of each days racing. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and protest committee and to requests for redress. This changes rules 60.3 and 61.1. Protest time limits will be posted.

15.5 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at TYPBC beginning as soon as possible.

15.6 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 60.2 (d).

16.0 Scoring

16.1 On race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.2 (a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 6 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When from 10 to 13 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the of her race scores excluding her two worst score.

(d) When more than 16 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst score.

(e) **Boats still racing but failing to finish within 20 minutes of the first boat to finish may be given a finishing position based on their place at the last mark they rounded. Their score will be greater than any boat who rounded further marks or who finished. This changes Rules 35 and A4.**

17.0 Safety Regulations

17.1 **Skippers** shall sign on downstairs at the TYPBC before going afloat and sign off when returning to shore. In addition, a boat must check in when they reach the course area by sailing across the stern of the committee boat on starboard tack, hail their sail number, and receive confirmation from the committee boat.

Failure to do so may result in a three-scoring penalty for a first infringement and may result in disqualification for subsequent infringements.

17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

18.0 Replacement of Crew or Equipment

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

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity

19.0 Equipment and Measurement Checks

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

20.0 Official Boats

Official boats will be marked with a TYPBC burgee.

21.0 Support Boats

21.1 Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel 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. During any starting sequence, support boats in the vicinity of the start line, shall stay at least 50 meters below the starting line and its extensions.

21.2 When the wind is less than 10 knots support boats shall not exceed 5 knots within 500m of the area where boats are racing.

21.3 Attention is drawn the relevant local council bylaws regarding wearing of lifejackets and other restrictions. In boats less than 6 metres lifejackets must be worn at all times while afloat.

22.0 Haul Out Restrictions

Unless otherwise directed by the Organising Authority, all competing boats and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from TYPBC.

23.0 Radio Communication

23.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

23.2 Vision impaired sailors may use a VHF frequency designated by Organizing Authority, to obtain distance, direction, and safety information from a support boat to find marks. The support boat must be identified to the Race Committee each day before racing begins. This channel will be monitored by the Race Committee during racing. Communications via mobile phone is not allowed.

24.0 Prizes

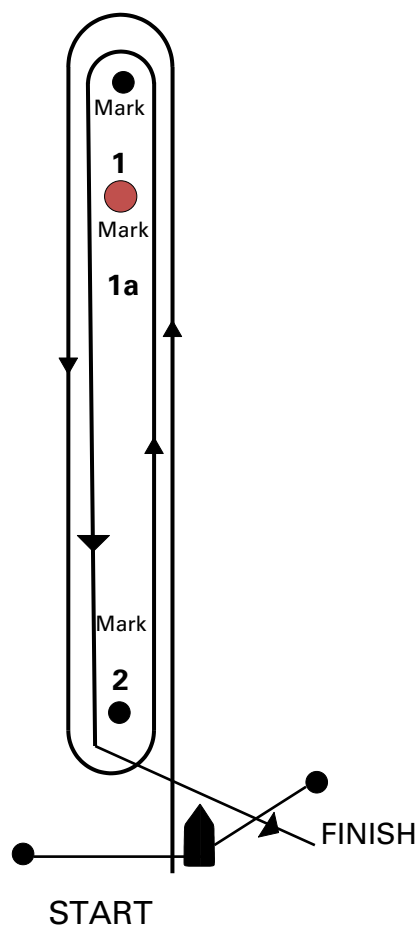
Prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of the regatta.

25.0 Disclaimer of Liability

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.

ATTACHMENT 1

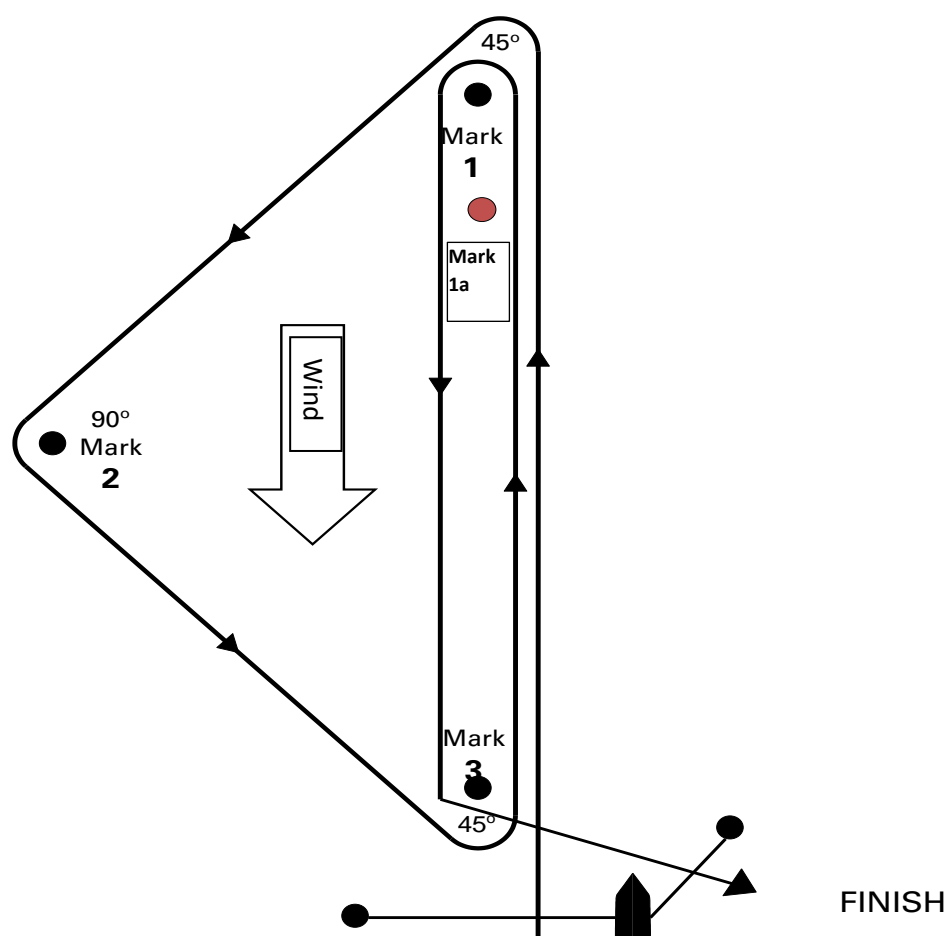
Windward-Leeward Course



W1	Start – 1 – 2 - Finish
W2	Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 - Finish
W3	Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 -Finish
W4	Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 -Finish

Mark 1a will be used by some classes as described at briefing

A Triangle Course- Windward-Leeward



T1 Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish

T 2 Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - Finish

T 3 Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish

T 4 Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - Finish

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