



2024 STARLING MATCH RACING AUCKLAND CHAMPIONSHIP
(AUCKLAND TRIAL FOR 2024 STARLING MATCH RACING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP)

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Auckland, New Zealand

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Underlined text in the SI indicates text that has been added to a rule of the RRS

~~Strikethrough text~~ in the SI indicates text that has been deleted from a rule of the RRS.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS Appendix C shall apply.
- 1.3 RRS C3.1 Starting Signals is changed so that the attention signal will be made at 6 minutes before the first start, warning signal will be made at 4 minutes before the start and the preparatory signal will be made at 3 minutes before the start. See SI 9.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located outside the galley.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted 45 minutes before the start of any race affected.
- 3.2** Any change to the sailing instructions made afloat will be signalled by the display of Flag L with three sound signals. These changes may be communicated to competitors by an umpire.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Glendowie Boating Club flagpole.
- 4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SUPPLIED EQUIPMENT

- 5.1** Each competitor will be provided with a port (blue) and starboard (yellow) flag to attached to her/his side stays. Competitors shall display only the flag relating to their entry end.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1** The event format and schedule of races is set out in SI Attachment 1.
- 6.2** The latest time for the warning signal of the first match of a flight will be 1700.

7 RACING AREA

The Race Area will be on the waters adjacent to the Glendowie Boating Club.

8 COURSE AND MARKS

The diagram in SI Attachment 2 shows the course and describes the marks.

9 STARTS

- 9.1** The starting line will be between a staff displaying flag Y on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 9.2** RRS C3.1 is changed to read:

The signals for starting a match shall be as follows. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the failure of a sound signal shall be disregarded. ~~If more than one match will be sailed, the starting signal for one match shall be the warning signal for the next match.~~

Time in minutes	Visual Signal	Sound Signal	Means
10 <u>6</u>	Flag F displayed***	One	Attention signal
6 <u>5</u>	Flag F removed	None	
5 <u>4</u>	Numeral pennant displayed*	One	Warning signal
4 <u>3</u>	Flag P displayed	One	Preparatory signal
2	Blue or yellow flag or both displayed**	One**	End of pre-start entry time
1	Preparatory signal removed	One long	
0	Warning signal removed	One	Starting signal

* ~~Within a flight, numeral pennant 1 means Match 1, pennant 2 means Match 2 etc., unless the sailing instructions state otherwise~~ Numeral pennants have the meaning described in SI 9.4.

** These signals shall be made only if one or both boats fail to comply with C4.2 as changed in SI 9.3. The flag(s) shall be displayed until the umpires have signalled a penalty or for one minute, whichever is earlier.

*** Flag F is displayed at the start of a session. Thereafter each match will commence as soon as possible after the start of the previous match, with the start sequence beginning with the match's numeral pennant.

9.3 RRS C4.2 is changed to read:

Within the ~~two-minute~~ one-minute period following her preparatory signal, a boat shall cross and clear the starting line, the first time from the course side to the pre-start side.

9.4 The flight number being sailed will be displayed on the race committee boat at or before the first warning signal as a numeral on a board. Within a flight, warning signal numeral pennant 1 means Match 1, numeral pennant 2 means Match 2.

9.5 When a match cannot start at its intended time, the competitors in the following race will be advised that their race will be brought forward. Competitors will be advised verbally by an umpire.

9.6 When a match is cancelled due to the withdrawal of a competitor from the competition, the match will be awarded as a win to their opponent. Starting signals for such races will not be made.

9.7 In a knock-out series, when a winner of a particular series has been determined, further matches between those competitors will not be sailed. Subsequent matches shall be brought forward to eliminate blank starts. Competitors in subsequent matches will be so advised verbally by an umpire.

9.8 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

10 BREAKDOWN AND TIME FOR REPAIRS

- 10.1** Before the warning signal of a match or within two minutes of finishing, whichever is later, a competitor may draw the attention of an umpire to signal breakdown or damage to the boat, her sails, or injury to the competitor and request a delay to the next start. She shall proceed as soon as possible to close to leeward of the race committee boat and remain there, unless otherwise directed.
- 10.2** With the assistance of the race committee, competitors shall make an attempt to carry out minor repairs where this is practical. The time allowed for repairs shall be at the discretion of the race committee.
- 10.3** A race may be postponed because of breakdown or damage to the boat, her sails, or injury to the competitor and rescheduled to another time at the discretion of the race committee.
- 10.4** After the warning signal of a match, it will not be postponed or abandoned due to breakdown unless the breakdown signal was displayed as required by SI 10.1.
- 10.5** Except when RRS 62.1(b) applies, failure to effect repairs in the time allowed, or breakdowns after the warning signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

11 ABANDONMENT

RRS 32 is deleted and replaced with: "After the starting signal the race committee may abandon any match for any reason, after consulting with the match umpires when practical. Such abandonment shall only apply to the match adjacent to where the signal is displayed."

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

RRS 33 shall not apply. Mark W may be moved at any time, provided no boat is on a leg towards the mark. The course direction will not be changed more than 20 degrees during a match.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a green flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1** The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 20 minutes.
- 14.2** A boat that fails to finish within 5 minutes after her opponent has completed the course and finished will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35.

15 PROTESTS

- 15.1** RRS C6.1(a) is changed to read:

- (a) under a rule of Part 2, except rule 14, by clearly displaying ~~flag~~ a red flag immediately after an incident in which she was involved;

15.2 RRS C6.4(a) is changed to read:

- (a) A boat protesting under rule C6.1(a) shall remove ~~flag~~ the red flag before or as soon as possible after the umpires' signal.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 Check-out and check-in ashore:

- a) Competitors shall individually check-out before racing by personally signing the check-out sheets located near the galley.
- b) Competitors shall individually check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing by personally signing the check-in sheets located near the galley.

16.2 A boat retiring from racing shall notify the race committee or an umpire as soon as possible.

17 SUPPORT BOATS

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 50 metres of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail.

18 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

19 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.

ATTACHMENT 1

EVENT FORMAT AND RACE SCHEDULE

1 EVENT FORMAT

1.1 The event will consist of match racing, with the following stages:

Stage 1: Round Robin

Stage 2: Elimination Semi-Final

Stage 3: Final

1.2 A draw is set out in Table 1 below.

2 STAGE 1

2.1 Each competitor sails against each other competitor once.

2.2 The competitors placed second and third in Stage 1 shall proceed to Stage 2.

2.3 The competitor placed first in Stage 1 shall proceed to Stage 3.

3 STAGE 2

3.1 In Stage 2, the first competitor to score two points shall proceed to Stage 3 (and is designated "Winner ESF" in the draw). The other competitor is awarded 3rd Place.



4 STAGE 3


4.1 In Stage 3, the first competitor to score two points shall be awarded 1st place. The other competitor is awarded 2nd Place.

5 CURTAILMENT


In the event of the final series being curtailed due to weather conditions, placings shall be based on races already sailed or if this is not possible then as specified in RRS C11.2.

Table 1 – Draw

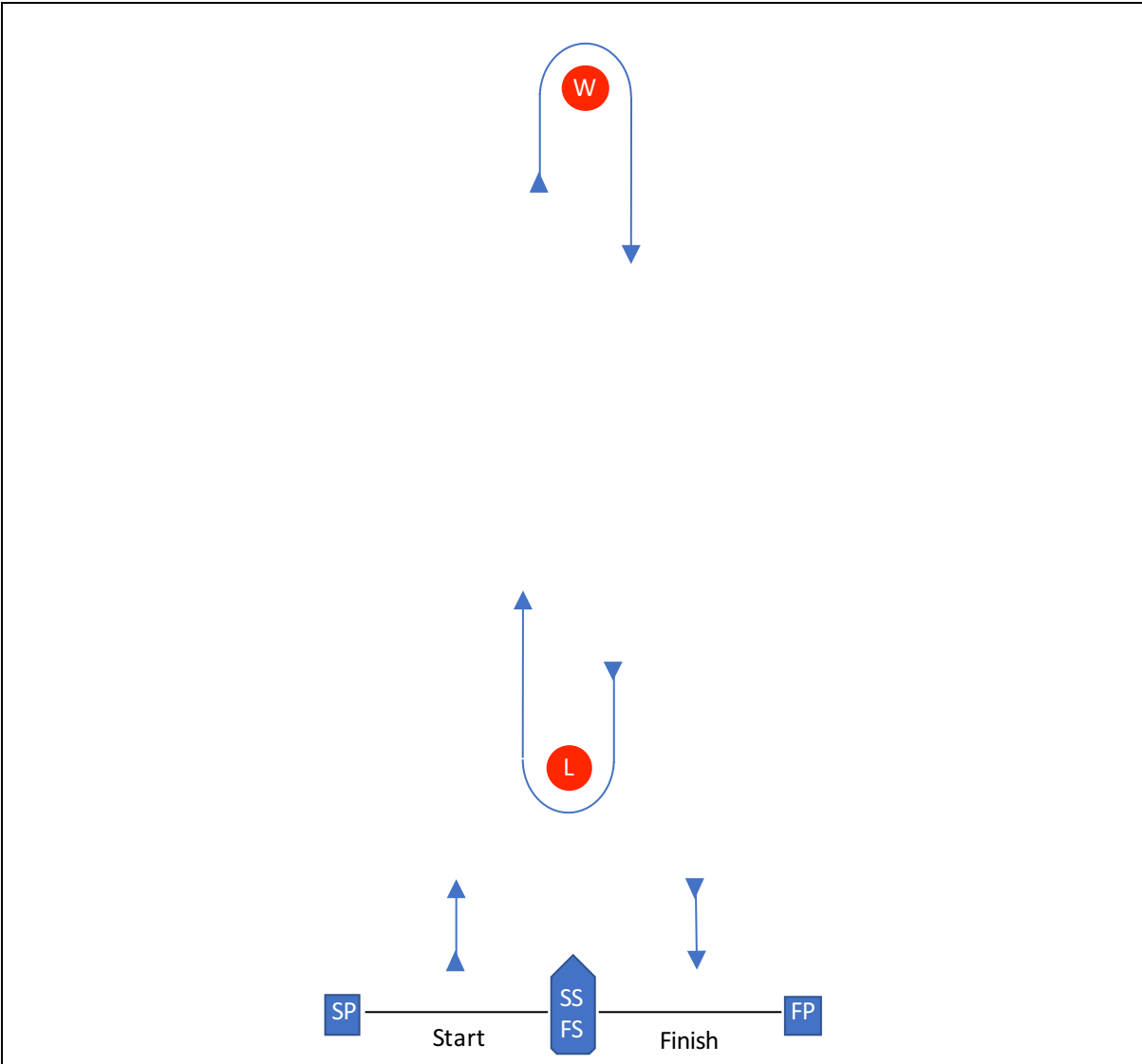
Stage 1 - Round Robin					
					
Flight	Match 1		Match 2		
	Port Entry	Starboard Entry	Port Entry	Starboard Entry	
1	[2] Jonathan Wang	[1] Blake McKinnon	[3] Tomas Burrows	[8] Niko Purdie	
2	[4] Izzy Harrison	[7] Marlon Porteous	[5] Amber Hughes	[6] Liam Gowen	
3	[3] Tomas Burrows	[4] Izzy Harrison	[1] Blake McKinnon	[7] Marlon Porteous	
4	[8] Niko Purdie	[6] Liam Gowen	[2] Jonathan Wang	[5] Amber Hughes	
5	[6] Liam Gowen	[2] Jonathan Wang	[7] Marlon Porteous	[8] Niko Purdie	
6	[4] Izzy Harrison	[1] Blake McKinnon	[5] Amber Hughes	[3] Tomas Burrows	
7	[7] Marlon Porteous	[5] Amber Hughes	[8] Niko Purdie	[4] Izzy Harrison	
8	[2] Jonathan Wang	[3] Tomas Burrows	[6] Liam Gowen	[1] Blake McKinnon	
9	[1] Blake McKinnon	[3] Tomas Burrows	[4] Izzy Harrison	[2] Jonathan Wang	
10	[5] Amber Hughes	[8] Niko Purdie	[6] Liam Gowen	[7] Marlon Porteous	
11	[4] Izzy Harrison	[5] Amber Hughes	[8] Niko Purdie	[1] Blake McKinnon	
12	[2] Jonathan Wang	[7] Marlon Porteous	[3] Tomas Burrows	[6] Liam Gowen	
13	[7] Marlon Porteous	[3] Tomas Burrows	[8] Niko Purdie	[2] Jonathan Wang	
14	[1] Blake McKinnon	[5] Amber Hughes	[6] Liam Gowen	[4] Izzy Harrison	

Stage 2 - Elimination Semi Final		
		
Flight	Port Entry	Starboard Entry
1	RR Place 3	RR Place 2
2	RR Place 2	RR Place 3
3*	RR Place 3	RR Place 2

Winner to Stage 3: "Winner ESF"
 Loser eliminated (assigned 3rd Place)

Stage 3 - Final		
		
Flight	Port Entry	Starboard Entry
1	Winner ESF	RR Place 1
2	RR Place 1	Winner ESF
3*	Winner ESF	RR Place 1

ATTACHMENT 2 COURSE AND MARKS



Course: Windward leeward with starboard roundings and leeward finish

Signal	Mark rounding order
No signal	Start – W – L – W – Finish
Flag S	Start – W – Finish

Mark	Description
	Yellow triangular buoy
	White buoy
	Race Committee boat
	Orange buoy

