



Appleton Estate Elliott 5.9 Traveller Series 2012

Sailing Instructions

19th and 20th May, 2012
Opuā, Bay of Islands

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1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* 2009 - 2012.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part V, (Category C) shall apply for the Elliott 5.9
- 1.3 The YNZ Safety Regulations Part I shall apply for dinghies and open boats.
- 1.4 Elliott 5.9 Association Class Rules shall apply.
- 1.5 For the Elliott 5.9 class, the required safety gear and corrector weights must be carried on board at all times and will be inspected
- 1.6 A boat shall not discharge rubbish in the water.

2.0 Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Opuā Yacht Club Building.

3.0 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0730 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4.0 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on a pole erected at Opuā Yacht Club Building..
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Postponement Signal AP.
When flag AP over flag B is displayed ashore boats shall not go afloat.

5.0 Schedule of Races

- 5.1 Races are scheduled as follows:

CLASS	NO. OF RACES PER DAY	TIME OF FIRST WARNING SIGNAL	
		Saturday	Sunday
Elliott 5.9	5	0955	0955

- 5.2 Up to 5 back-to-back races are scheduled per day.
- 5.3 For the Elliott 5.9 Class no warning signal will be made after 1450 on Sunday 20th May
- 5.4 The warning signal for a subsequent race for a class on the same day will be made as soon as practicable

6.0 Class Flags

Class flags will be:
Elliott 5.9 Yellow

7.0 Racing Areas

The races will be held in the area South of a line between Tapeka point and Kent passage..

8.0 The Courses

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be excited.
- 8.2 When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

9.0 Marks

- 9.1 Marks 1,1A, 2S & 2P will be a Orange cylinder buoys.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be Yellow cylinder buoys.
- 9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be the race committee boat at one end and a green cylinder buoy at the other end.
- 9.4 A race committee boat signalling a change in course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.1.

10.0 Areas that are Obstructions; Fairway Marks

- 10.1 Boats while racing will pass on the main navigation channel side of all mooring buoys and moored boats . These areas shall be treated as an obstruction.

11.0 The Start

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff flying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark which will be a green cylinder buoy.
- 11.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area
- 11.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1
- 11.4 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 2 minutes. This instruction will not apply after a general recall or abandonment.

12.0 Change of the Position of the Next Mark

- 12.1 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 signaling, to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 Except at a gate, 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.

13.0 The Finish

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff flying an orange flag on the Race Committee start/finish boat and the nearby finishing mark.

14.0 Penalty System

- 14.1 For the all classes rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 14.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31.2, or rule 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.

15.0 Time Limits and Target Times

- 15.1 The time limits and target times in minutes for the first boat are as follows:

Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit	Target Time
80 min	30 min	50 min

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

15.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.1.

16.0 Protests and Requests for Redress

16.1 Immediately after finishing a boat intending to protest shall, in addition to the requirements of rule 61.1(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 61.

16.2 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. Yachting New Zealand Appendix Z will apply. (This changes Rule 44.1).

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

16.4 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the Race Committee and to requests for redress. This changes Rules 61.3 and 62.2. Protest time limits will be posted.

16.5 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 Opuia Yacht Club as soon as practicable.

16.6 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

16.7 For the purpose of rule 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the measurer appointed by the organising authority.

16.8 Breaches of instructions 1.5, 4.2, 12.2, 16, 17.2, 20 and 21 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat under Rule 60.1(a). This changes Rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides.

16.9 A request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:

- (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

17.0 Scoring

17.1 The Low-Points Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

17.2 Three races will be required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.3 No score will be excluded until 6 races have been completed.

18.0 Safety Regulations

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

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 an Opuia Cruising burgee Flag.

21.0 Haul Out Restrictions

21.1 Unless otherwise directed by the Organising Authority, all competing Elliott 5.9 boats and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the ramp at The Opuia Marina.

21.2 Boat parking for the weekend will be made available at The Opuia Marina.

22.0 Radio Communication

22.1 Except in an emergency involving damage or injury 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.

22.2 The working channel for the race management team will normally be channel 77.

23.0 Prizes

The prize giving will be held at Opuia Yacht Club as soon as practicable after racing finishes.

Prizes will be awarded by the class association.

24.0 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Notice to Competitors
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ATTACHMENT A – ILLUSTRATING THE COURSE

A Windward-Leeward Course

Course 1 : Start — 1 — 1a — 2s/2p — 1—1a — Finish

Course 2 : Start — 1 — 1a — 2s/2p — 1 —1a —2s/2p — 1— 1a — Finish

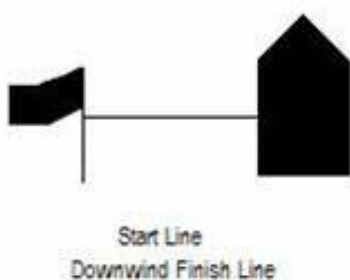
Mark 1a is a distance mark laid slightly adjacent from Mark 1.

Mark 2s/2p form the gate at the bottom of the downwind leg.

All marks (except 2s) shall be left to port when rounding.

Change to Sailing Instructions

1A now a Triangular Orange Buoy



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