

2018 Series

Windward Leeward Wednesday Series – 10th January & 17th January 2018

Opua Cruising Club

The Organising Authority is the Opua Cruising Club, Opua,.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1	RULES
1.1	The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in <i>The Racing Rules of Sailing</i>
1.2	The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1, shall apply.
1.3	The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 2, Category 5 shall apply to keelers. Open Keelboats, Sports Boats & Toronado catamarans the YNZ Safety Regulations Part 1 will apply Sport Boats shall comply with NZ Sport Boats Association Rules, regulations & bylaws. For Elliott 5.9's the YNZ Safety Regulations 2013-2016, Part V, Category C, shall apply.
1.4	A safety check may be made on any boat at any time during the event.
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2A	CODE OF CONDUCT
	Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.

2B	NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
	Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Opuia Cruising Club.
3	CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
	Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1700 on the day it will take effect
4	SIGNALS MADE ASHORE
4.1	Signals made ashore will be displayed on a flagpole adjacent to the Opuia Cruising Club.
4.2	When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. When AP over flag B is displayed boats shall not go afloat.

5	SCHEDULE OF KEY EVENTS AND RACES												
5.1	Measuring and Registration None (but see Rule 1.1 - 1.7 above)												
5.2	5.2.1 Briefing None 5.2.2 To be eligible to compete in these events, each entrant boat shall have an owner or skipper who is a full financial member of OCC or a club recognised by the entrant's national authority. 5.2.3 A season entry fee as set by the club covers all club races. However, no fee is payable by entries from local clubs for weekend sponsored racing. Entries will be accepted by completing the entry form and forwarding the appropriate fee to the Opuia Cruising Club Inc. PO Box 1 Opuia 0200 . The committee reserves the right to exclude results of boats that have not paid the appropriate entry fee. None												
5.3	Start will be North of Island at Te Wahapu <table border="1" data-bbox="357 1525 1348 1697"> <thead> <tr> <th>Day:</th> <th>Date:</th> <th>No of Races</th> <th>Time of First Warning Signal at Te Wahapu:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Wednesday</td> <td>10 January 2018</td> <td>4 Max</td> <td>1800 hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wednesday</td> <td>17 January 2017</td> <td>4 Max</td> <td>1800 hrs</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Day:	Date:	No of Races	Time of First Warning Signal at Te Wahapu:	Wednesday	10 January 2018	4 Max	1800 hrs	Wednesday	17 January 2017	4 Max	1800 hrs
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5.4	One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no division becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to instruction 3.												
5.5	On 10 th and 17 January no warning signal will be made after 2000 hrs.												
5.6	Prizegiving will be held following each days racing in Opuia Cruising Club												

6	Division FLAG
6.1	Division flag will be: 1 Division <i>K Flag (Yellow)</i>
7	RACING AREAS
7.1	The Race Area will be on the waters between Russell and Paihia, or any adjacent area as the Race Officer deems necessary.
8	THE COURSES
8.1	The diagrams in Attachment A 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.
8.2	No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed. The course will be displayed on the course board from the committee boat or a numbered pennant . The final race of the day will be course 3 (back to the Opuia Cruising Club finish line if sufficient wind).
9	MARKS
9.1	Marks 1, 2S and 2P will be a yellow cylindrical buoys, 1A will be a yellow triangle buoy.
9.2	New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be orange cylinder.
9.3	The starting and finishing marks will be the race committee signal boat at one end and a Black cylindrical buoy at the other end.

9.4	A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.2.
10	AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS 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	THE START
11.1	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.
11.2	A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4, <i>Low Point System</i> , and A5, <i>Scores Determined By The Race Committee</i> .

11.3	If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26 Starting Races. When flag U is used as the preparatory signal rule 29.1 Individual recall does not apply. The scoring abbreviation for a flag U penalty is UFD. This changes rule A11 Scoring Abbreviations.
12	CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE
12.1	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.
12.2	Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28, <i>Sailing The Course</i> .
13	THE FINISH
13.1	The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark at one end and the course side of the finishing mark at the other end.

14	PENALTY SYSTEM								
14.1	Rule 44.1, taking a Penalty, is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty								
15	TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES								
15.1	<p>Time limits and target times are as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>Class</i></th> <th><i>Time limit</i></th> <th><i>Mark 1 time limit</i></th> <th><i>Target time</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>ALL</i></td> <td><i>60min</i></td> <td><i>20min</i></td> <td><i>35min</i></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>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), <i>Redress</i>.</p>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Mark 1 time limit</i>	<i>Target time</i>	<i>ALL</i>	<i>60min</i>	<i>20min</i>	<i>35min</i>
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15.2	Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, Time Limit And Scores, A4, Low Point And Bonus Point Systems, and A5, Scores Determined By The Race Committee.								

16	PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS
16.1	Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 to take a penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a scoring penalty as calculated in rule 44.3(c) equal to 40% of the number of entries in her fleet or 50% of the difference between her finishing position and the number of entries in her fleet, whichever is less
16.2	Protest forms are available from the PRO. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
16.3	The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
16.4	Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. The venue for any hearing will be advised to parties who are involved in a hearing a reasonable time before any hearing commences.
16.5	Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b), <i>Informing the Protestee</i> .
16.6	N/A
16.7	Breaches of instructions 11.2, 18, 21, 23, 24 and 25 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a), <i>Right to Protest; Right to Request Redress or Rule 69 Action</i> . Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
16.8	On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66, <i>Reopening A Hearing</i> .
16.9	On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

17	SCORING
17.1	1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
17.2	(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 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18	SAFETY REGULATIONS
18.1	
18.2	A boat that retires from a race or returns to the launching area before she finished the last race of the day shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
19	REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT
19.1	Substitution of competitors will be allowed.
19.2	Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will be allowed.
19.3	Change of sail numbers will not be allowed without prior approval of the Race Committee.
20	EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS
20.1	A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the safety requirements, and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. A safety check may be made on any boat at any time during the event.
21	EVENT ADVERTISING Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority as follows if requested
22	OFFICIAL BOATS N/A
23	SUPPORT BOATS
23.1	Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches 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.
23.2	When the wind is less than 10 knots support boats shall not exceed 5 knots within 500m of the area where boats are racing.
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23.4	When flag W (with a long sound signal) is displayed on a committee boat all support boats are requested to remain afloat and assist all sailors.

24	TRASH DISPOSAL A boat shall not discharge rubbish in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.
25	HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS N/A
26	RADIO COMMUNICATION
26.1	Except in an emergency, 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.
26.2	Race Management Radio Channel is VHF 17,
27	PRIZES Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising committee
28	DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, <i>Decision to Race</i> . The organizing 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.
29	Contacts: raceofficer@opuacruisingclub or friv.fish@gmail.com

Opua Cruising Club Inc 10th & 17 Jan 2018 ATTACHMENT A – ILLUSTRATING THE COURSE

A Windward-Leeward Course

Course 1 : Start — 1 — 1a — Finish

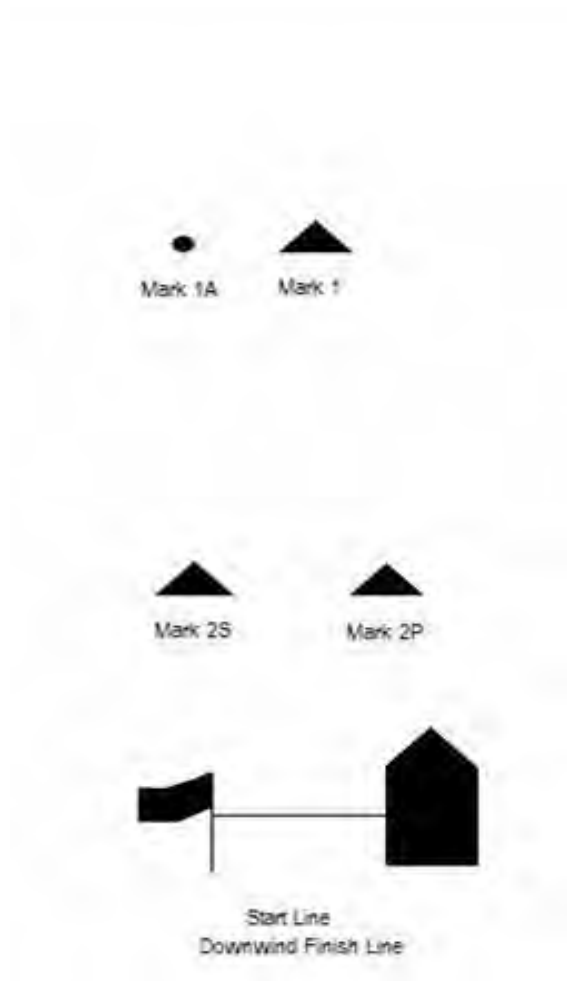
Course 2 : Start — 1 — 1a — 2s/2p — 1 — 1a — Finish

Course 3 : Start — Normal OCC Finish Line

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.



The course number will be a numeral pennant displayed on the Race Committee Boat

W/L Wed Series 2018 Regatta Race Area

