ROYAL NEW ZEALAND YACHT SQUADRON

AUCKLAND MATCH RACE CHAMPIONSHIP

20-22 August 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron
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1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron (RNZYS)

2. VENUE

2.1 The venue will be the Waitemata Harbour, Auckland, New Zealand.

3. EVENT GRADING

3.1 The event has applied for World Sailing Grade 3.

3.2 This grading is subject to review by the World Sailing Match Race Rankings Sub Committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4. PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

4.1 The event will be held from Friday 20th – Sunday 22nd August 2021

Friday 20 August 2021

0900 – 1700 hrs	Registration & Crew Weigh-in
1000 – 1300 hrs	Practice Session A
1330 – 1630 hrs	Practice Session B

Saturday 21 August 2021

0800 hrs	Registration & Crew Weigh-in
0845 hrs	First Briefing & meeting with umpires
1000 hrs	First race
Post racing	Competitor debrief

Sunday 22 August 2021

0845 hrs	Briefing
1000 hrs	First race
Post Racing	Prize giving at the conclusion of racing

a. The latest time for an attention signal on the last day of racing will be approximately 1555hrs.

b. The prize giving will be held on Sunday 22 August 2020 after the conclusion of racing approximately 1700hrs.

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

a. Daily briefing for skippers.

b. Prize giving on Sunday 22 August 2021.

5. SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

5.1 Up to twelve (12) skippers' entries will be accepted.

5.2 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.

5.3 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing (via e-mail) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.

5.4 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing Eligibility Code, regulation 19.2.

5.5 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.

6. ENTRIES

6.1 Entering

The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and damage deposit registrations. All payments shall be made by credit card, cash or online bank transfer.

6.2 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee of NZ$500 shall be paid by 1700hrs on the 22 July 2021, unless extended by the OA. Please note if paying by international bank transfer, you will be liable for the bank fees that apply.

6.3 Withdrawal

When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2)

6.4 Damage Deposit

a. An initial damage deposit of NZ$1,000 shall be lodged at registration.
b. The damage deposit is the limit of liability for each boat for each incident. For multiple boat collisions the skipper(s) at fault will be liable for $1000.00 per boat and may be required to pay the damage deposit for each boat.
c. If a deduction from the damage deposit is required as decided by the OA, it will require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
d. Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days of the finish of the event.

7. RULES

7.1 (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C.

(b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.

7.2 **Major Alterations to the RRS**

(a) Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
(b) RRS C8.6 and C6.3 will be changed in the Sailing Instructions.

8. BOATS AND SAILS

8.1 The event will be sailed in Elliott 7m Class Boats provided by the OA.
8.2 Ten (10) boats will be provided for the event.
8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Headsail and Gennaker.
8.4 Boats may be allocated by daily draw, or pre-determined if required by the OA, and will be identified by boat name and number. If less than ten boats are being used the sponsored boats identified by the OA will be the first to be used.

9. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

9.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be Four (4) or Five (5). All registered crew shall sail all races.
9.2 The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 350kg, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
9.3 Crew weight may be checked during the regatta. At any re-weighing the total weight is increased by 10 kg. Any crew weighing in excess of this increased limit shall not be penalized, but they shall reduce their weight to the increased weight limit before racing again.
9.4 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
9.5 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10. EVENT FORMAT

10.1 Skippers will be seeded into a round robin based on World Sailing ranking list 30 days prior to the event.
10.2 The event will consist of the following stages:

a. Stage 1 – Round Robin
b. Stage 2 – Semi Finals
c. Stage 3 – Finals

10.3 The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions or the remaining time scheduled do not permit the completion of the intended format.

11. COURSE

11.1 The course will be windward/leeward with optional offset legs in the event of cross course current, resulting in either port or starboard rounding's and finishing downwind.
11.2 The intended course area will be within the Waitemata Harbour.

12. ADVERTISING

12.1 As boats and equipment supplied by the OA, World Sailing, Regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
12.2 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends Rule 60.1).

13. PRIZES

13.1 The top three placing skippers will gain automatic entry to the 2021 New Zealand Match Racing Nationals held from 5-10 October 2021.

14. MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

14.1 If required by the OA
a. Equipment supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.
b. Competitors may be required to wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or RC.
c. Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them while racing.
d. Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.
14.2 The OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.
14.3 Crews wishing to use video equipment on-board for their own use must first obtain written permission from the OA.

15. COACH BOATS

15.1 No coach boats will be permitted unless authorised by the OA.
15.2 The OA will not provide boats or berths for coach boats.
15.3 Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organisation may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the PC to the associated skipper or team

16. DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in RNZYS races or any other sailing events controlled by the RNZYS, as between the RNZYS and each of those so taking part, do so at their own risk and responsibility and the RNZYS has no liability for any damage, loss or any penalty suffered by any boat crew or any other person taking part in such events. The RNZYS reserves the right in its sole and uncontrolled discretion to refuse any entry.

17. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Each competitor is required to supply their own buoyancy aid that must be worn at all times while afloat.

18. INVITATION

If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by completing the Expression of Interest online form. Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers.

19. CONTACT

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