

2024 MID-WINTER SPORTSBOAT and ETCHELLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

24th / 25th August 2024

The Organising Authority is the Northcote Birkenhead Yacht Club
Birkenhead Wharf, Birkenhead, Auckland 0626

SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

This sheet and Addendum A are supplements to Appendix S of the Racing Rules of Sailing (page 146 RRS 2021-2024).

1 RULES (SI 1)

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as detailed in the Notice of Race ('NoR') I.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS (SI 2)

- 2.1 The race office is located on the upper floor of the Northcote Birkenhead Yacht Club (NBYC) clubrooms, email info@nbyc.org.nz.
- 2.2 The official notice board is located at <https://www.nbyc.org.nz/etchell-nationals/>
- 2.3 Notices to Competitors will also be posted on the skipper WhatsApp group.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE (SI 4)

- 3.1 Signals ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff located outside the NBYC clubrooms.
- 3.2 Signals ashore will also be posted on the skipper WhatsApp group.
- 3.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 90 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES (SI 5)

4.1

Day	Date	Number of Races	Max Number of Races	Time of First Warning Signal
Race Day 1	Saturday, 24 th August	4	5	10:55
Race Day 2	Sunday, 25 th August	4	5	10:55

- 4.2 The warning signal for subsequent races on the same day will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the last boat in the preceding race.
- 4.3 On Sunday 24th August no warning signal will be made after 15:30.

5 CLASS FLAG (SI 6)

5.1 The class flag will be;

Class	Class Flag
Sportsboats	Plain pink flag
Etchells	Plain pale blue flag

6 RACING AREAS

- 6.1 The racing area will be centred near Northern Leading, Bean Rock area, or any area the RO deems suitable.
- 6.2 Should conditions not be favourable the RO may choose another area nearby. This change will be notified on VHF Channel 17 and code flag L will be displayed from the RC vessel.

7 COURSES (SI 7)

- 7.1 The course to be sailed, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left are shown in Addendum A.
- 7.2 If a gate mark is missing and has not been replaced with an object displaying code flag “M” the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

8 MARKS (SI 8)

- 8.1 The description of the marks is in the table in Addendum A.

9 OBSTRUCTIONS

9.1 Large Vessel Moving Prohibited Zone:

At all times boats shall comply with the Auckland Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2021 Part 2, Subpart 10, clause 54 – “Moving Prohibited Zone” as described in Addendum B.

Moving Prohibited Zones are designated as Obstructions for the purposes of the RRS Definitions and RRS 19 and 20.

10 THE START (SI 9)

- 10.1 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and 5.2.

11 CHANGE OF COURSE (SI 10)

- 11.1 To change the position of the windward mark, the race committee will lay a new Blue mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. A new offset mark (mark 1a) will not be laid. This replaces SI 10.1.

12 TIME LIMITS (SI 12)

12.1 The race time limits are as follows:

Fleet / Class	Target time for first finisher	Finishing Window	Race time limit
Sportsboats	40 minutes	15 minutes	75 minutes
Etchells	40 minutes	15 minutes	75 minutes

- 12.2 There is no prescribed time limit for the first boat to pass mark 1.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 For the Sportsboat and Etchells classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14 HEARING REQUESTS (SI 13)

- 14.1 The protest time limit is 3 hours after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is the later. This changes App S 13.2

15 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 15.1 Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval from the OA. Any request shall be submitted prior to the race in which the change is to take place.
- 15.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorised in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

16 [DP] EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 16.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, NOR and SI's.
- 16.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

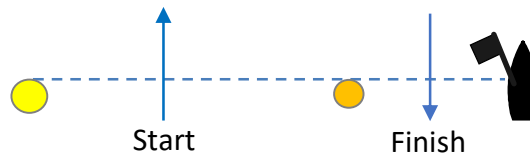
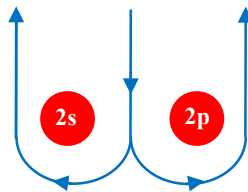
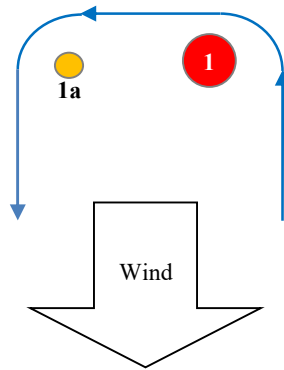
17 SUPPORT VESSELS

- 17.1 All official and support vessels shall always have an engine safety cut out switch (kill cord) attached to the driver while the engine is running unless prior written exemption has been provided by the Organising Authority.
- 17.2 Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, coach vessels, spectator vessels or supporter's vessels 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.

Date: 21 August 2024

ADDENDUM A

Course Illustration – Windward / Leeward



Course	Signal	Mark Rounding Order
LA1	1	Start – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA2	2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA3	3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a - Finish

Mark	Description
1, 2s, 2p	Large Red inflatable cylindrical buoy
1a	Orange inflatable teardrop buoy
Starting mark starboard end	Race committee boat
Starting mark port end	Yellow inflatable cylindrical buoy
Finishing mark starboard end	Orange inflatable teardrop buoy
Finishing mark port end	Race committee boat
Change of course	Blue inflatable cylindrical buoy

ADDENDUM B

Auckland Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2021 – Part 2, Subpart 10 –

54 - Vessels Must Not Impede a Large Vessel In A Pilotage Area,

1. *The person in charge of a vessel under 500 gross tonnage in a pilotage area must not allow that vessel to impede the navigation of any vessel of 500 gross tonnage or more.*
2. *The person in charge of a vessel must not navigate the vessel within the moving prohibited zone of a large vessel that is in a pilotage area.*
3. *A moving prohibited zone is an area of navigable water around a large vessel that –*
 - a. *extends 100 metres to each side or the width of the marked channel, whichever is the lesser distance; and*
 - b. *continues at the width in (a) to 100 metres astern and 500 metres ahead of the vessel; and*
 - c. *follows the line of the marked or buoyed channel when changing course.*
4. *However, (2) does not apply to the pilotage area within the Tamaki River.*