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Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club

2020-2021 Racing Season

Inshore Notice of Race

The Organising Authority is the Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club Incorporated (RPNYC)
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1 Event

- 1.1 This Notice of Race (NOR) covers all racing except the following: interclub series, offshore series, offshore open series, offshore two-handed series, Port Nicholson Regatta, races organised by the Port Nicholson Yachting Trust, and any other race or series that the organising authority may at any time specify.

2 Rules

- 2.1 All racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 The Yachting New Zealand (YNZ) safety regulations shall apply as follows:
- (a) For keel boats, part II, category 5 amended to include a VHF transceiver, bosun's chair, and Wellington harbour chart NZ 4633.
 - (b) For trailer yachts, part V, category C amended to include a VHF transceiver, at least 10 litres of fuel, and Wellington harbour chart NZ 4633. In addition, YNZ safety regulations part V paragraphs 2.1-2.4 will apply.
 - (c) For sports boats, part VI amended to include a waterproof VHF transceiver (or a VHF transceiver in a waterproof bag), one first aid kit – basic (as described in YNZ safety regulations appendix A), at least 10 litres of fuel, and Wellington harbour chart NZ 4633. In addition, YNZ safety regulations part V paragraphs 2.1-2.4 will apply.
 - (d) For multihull sports boats, part VII amended to include a waterproof VHF transceiver (or a VHF transceiver in a waterproof bag), one first aid kit – basic (as described in YNZ safety regulations appendix A), at least 10 litres of fuel, and Wellington harbour chart NZ 4633.
 - (e) Yachts complying with paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d) shall carry a serviceable inboard or outboard engine and propeller capable of driving the yacht in smooth water at a speed exceeding four (4) knots.
 - (f) Despite paragraph 2.2(e), any yacht may compete without an engine with the prior express permission of the race committee. The race committee will only give permission if there is a support boat available and may require an additional support boat to be available. A decision to give permission or not and any failure of the race committee to provide an additional support boat will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 2.3 The Wellington Regional Council Navigation and Safety Bylaws (Wellington harbour bylaws) will apply:
- (a) For the avoidance of doubt, when a boat sailing under the rules meets a vessel that is not, she shall comply with the Wellington harbour bylaws.
 - (b) There shall be a moving prohibited zone extending to 100m astern and 100m to each side, and continuing at such width to 500m ahead, of every vessel larger than 500 GRT.

- (c) A boat shall be disqualified without a hearing if a vessel larger than 500 GRT reports to the organising authority, to the harbour master, or to Maritime New Zealand, that the boat has either:
 - (i) entered her moving prohibition zone; or
 - (ii) impeded her navigation (including but not limited to requiring her to take avoiding action).

2.4 The racing rules of sailing will be changed as follows:

- (a) Yachts with lifting keels shall have keels locked in the down position and not moved whilst racing. This changes RRS 52.
- (b) Yachts with movable ballast, in the form of a canting keel or water ballast, may move that ballast to increase or decrease weight, or to change trim or stability. This changes RRS 51.
- (c) RRS 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of a canting keel or water ballast.

2.5 RRS appendix T will apply.

2.6 Special rules for E6 class yachts, sports boats, and multihull sports boats shall apply:

- (a) E6 class yachts, sports boats, and multihull sports boats may compete at the race committee's discretion. The race officer may direct E6 class yachts, or sports boats or multihull sports boats not to compete in any given race. A decision to allow or prevent such a yacht to compete will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- (b) E6 class yachts, sports boats and multihull sports boats shall not sail south of the No. 1 leading light (but may use the No. 1 leading light as a rounding mark) unless a second support boat is available.

3 Safety

- 3.1 Safety checks of any yacht in any division may be made at any time.
- 3.2 Crew shall wear lifejackets or be tethered to the yacht at all times, unless the person in charge of the yacht considers that conditions are such that there is no significant increase in the risk to the safety of any person through not wearing a lifejacket or being tethered to the yacht, and expressly gives permission for lifejackets and tethers not to be worn.
- 3.3 Yachts shall report the following incidents which occur while racing to the race committee as soon as possible:
 - (a) Man overboard.
 - (b) An injury requiring treatment from a doctor, nurse, ambulance, or in a hospital.
 - (c) Contact with another yacht during a race causing serious damage.
 - (d) Loss of a keel, rudder or mast, or damage which materially adversely affects the seaworthiness of the yacht.
 - (e) An inrush of water into the yacht.

4 Advertising

- 4.1 Yachts may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. Violation of paragraph 4.1 will cause World Sailing regulation 20.9.2 to apply.

5 Eligibility and entry

- 5.1 Racing is open to all multihull and self-righting monohull yachts.
- 5.2 Entries will be accepted from yachts registered on the RPNYC yacht register (RPNYC yachts) and from visiting yachts. The organising authority may, but is not required to, permit a yacht on the RPNYC yacht register to enter as a visiting yacht.
- 5.3 Visiting yachts will not be eligible for RPNYC trophies but will be eligible for prizes.
- 5.4 The organising authority may accept, reject, or subsequently cancel the entry of a visiting yacht for any reason.
- 5.5 To be eligible to compete in a race or series the following membership requirements shall be met:
- (a) At least 80% of the crew of a RPNYC yacht shall be:
 - (i) a senior member, junior member, veteran member, an honorary member, or an honorary life member of the RPNYC; or
 - (ii) a general member who is a current financial senior member of another YNZ or WYA affiliated yacht club, provided that the person has sailed in fewer than ten (10) RPNYC race days in the current financial year; or
 - (iii) a general member who, not then being a member of RPNYC, completed a Wellington Ocean Sports Centre sailing course within two (2) months prior to application for membership, and became a general member in the current financial year; or
 - (iv) a current financial member of an affiliated club, provided that the person's details have been provided to the RPNYC by the affiliated club member.
 - (b) At least 80% of the crew of a visiting yacht shall be financial members of a club recognised by the crew member's national authority.
 - (c) No person who is not a financial member of a club recognised by the person's national authority shall sail in more than three (3) races.
- 5.6 The eligibility requirements described in paragraph 5.5 do not apply to the rum series or the special series.
- 5.7 Entries shall be lodged on the RPNYC website prior to the scheduled warning signal for the race or event in which the entrant wishes to participate.
- 5.8 A late entry may be accepted by the organising authority at any time, including after a race has been completed. A refusal to accept a late entry will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 5.9 The organising authority may, at any time and for any race, require entrants to:
- (a) Nominate one crew member to be the person in charge for the purposes of RRS 46.
 - (b) Provide name(s), contact details, and details of club membership of the crew.

6 Fees

- 6.1 The required entry fees are:

Event	Entry fees
All inshore racing for the entire season	\$275
Any individual series	\$85

Event	Entry fees
Interclub series	No fee
Special series	No fee
Rum series	No fee

7 Schedule of races

- 7.1 A representative of each yacht intending to race in the 2020-2021 season shall attend the pre-season briefing in the RPNYC clubhouse at 1830 hours on Thursday 10th September 2020.
- 7.2 The racing schedule is shown in the 2020-2021 chronology of races and events published on the RPNYC website.
- 7.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day will be published with the racing schedule.
- 7.4 Series' names, number of scheduled race days per series, and maximum number of races per series are:

Series	Number of race days	Maximum number of races	First race start time
Fleet championship	6	6	1000 hours (excl. interclub)
Divisional championship			
Spring	4	12	1300 hours
Summer	2	6	1300 hours
Autumn	2	6	1300 hours
Alan Martin	3	9	1300 hours
Rum	23	23	1800 hours
Special	6	6	Various
Twilight	4	16	1800 hours
Two-handed	11	11	0900 hours
Winter	5	6	1200 hours
Winter two-handed	3	4	1000 hours

8 Measurement

- 8.1 Each yacht shall have a current PHRF certificate issued by Yachting New Zealand should it wish to be scored under PHRF.
- 8.2 PHRF certificate compliance measurements may be conducted at any time.
- 8.3 A yacht shall always comply with RRS 78.1.

9 Sailing instructions

- 9.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the RPNYC website no later than the pre-season briefing.

10 Racing area

- 10.1 Except for the Latitude race, all races will be held within Wellington harbour, and up to 10nm outside Wellington harbour, to the limits of Thoms Rock in the west and Turakirae Head in the east.

11 Courses

- 11.1 Windward-leeward, triangle, or harbour courses may be sailed.
- 11.2 The courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left are published on the RPNYC website in a document entitled 2020-2021 courses.

12 Scoring

- 12.1 Races will be scored on PHRF, general handicap and line.
- 12.2 The general handicap will be a formula-derived performance handicap that adjusts after each race based on the performance for that race and up to four prior races. Different general handicaps may be maintained for each series, e.g. divisional, rum, or two-handed.
- 12.3 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed in a series, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.4 When six (6) or more races have been completed in a series, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score, with a further worst score to be excluded after every three (3) races thereafter.
- 12.5 For the rum series, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores. NOR 12.4 will not apply.
- 12.6 The minimum number of races to be completed for a series shall be one (1).

13 Radio communication

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

14 Prizes

- 14.1 The organising authority may award trophies for the winners of specific races, series or divisions, or subgroups of a race, series, or division. The organising authority may issue a schedule of trophies prior to the end of season prize giving.
- 14.2 RPNYC trophies may only be awarded to yachts entered as RPNYC yachts. If, but for this paragraph, a trophy would have been awarded to a visiting yacht, then the trophy may instead be awarded to the highest placed RPNYC yacht.
- 14.3 Only yachts that comply with their class rules are eligible for class trophies.
- 14.4 Presented trophies remain the property of RPNYC and are not to leave the clubroom premises.

15 Insurance

- 15.1 Each yacht that races shall be insured with valid marine third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$250,000 per incident or the equivalent thereof.
- 15.2 Evidence of insurance shall be provided if requested by the organising authority.

16 Disclaimer of liability

- 16.1 Competitors participate in races entirely at their own risk. Refer to RRS 4, decision to race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with any organised race, including but not limited to the time prior to, during or after a race.

17 Further information

- 17.1 For further information, please contact sailing@rpnyc.org.nz or visit www.rpnyc.org.nz.

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Inshore Sailing Instructions

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 - (c) For sports boats, part VI amended to include a waterproof VHF transceiver (or a VHF transceiver in a waterproof bag), one first aid kit – basic (as described in YNZ safety regulations appendix A), at least 10 litres of fuel, and Wellington harbour chart NZ 4633. In addition, YNZ safety regulations part V paragraphs 2.1-2.4 will apply.
 - (d) For multihull sports boats, part VII amended to include a waterproof VHF transceiver (or a VHF transceiver in a waterproof bag), one first aid kit – basic (as described in YNZ safety regulations appendix A), at least 10 litres of fuel, and Wellington harbour chart NZ 4633.
 - (e) Yachts complying with paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d) shall carry a serviceable inboard or outboard engine and propeller capable of driving the yacht in smooth water at a speed exceeding four (4) knots.
 - (f) Despite paragraph 1.2(e), any yacht may compete without an engine with the prior express permission of the race committee. The race committee will only give permission if there is a support boat available and may require an additional support boat to be available. A decision to give permission or not and any failure of the race committee to provide an additional support boat will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 1.3 The Wellington Regional Council Navigation and Safety Bylaws (Wellington harbour bylaws) will apply:
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 - (b) There shall be a moving prohibited zone extending to 100m astern and 100m to each side, and continuing at such width to 500m ahead, of every vessel larger than 500 GRT.
 - (c) A boat shall be disqualified without a hearing if a vessel larger than 500 GRT reports to the organising authority, to the harbour master, or to Maritime New Zealand, that the boat has either:
 - (i) entered her moving prohibition zone; or
 - (ii) impeded her navigation (including but not limited to requiring her to take avoiding action).

- 1.4 Racing rules will be changed as follows:
 - (a) Yachts with lifting keels shall have keels locked in the down position and not moved whilst racing. This changes RRS 52.
 - (b) Yachts with movable ballast, in the form of a canting keel or water ballast, may move that ballast to increase or decrease weight, or to change trim or stability. This changes RRS 51.
 - (c) RRS 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of a canting keel or water ballast.
- 1.5 RRS appendix T will apply.
- 1.6 Special rules for E6 class yachts, sports boats, and multihull sports boats shall apply:
 - (a) E6 class yachts, sports boats, and multihull sports boats may compete at the race committee's discretion. The race officer may direct E6 class yachts or sports boats or multihull sports boats not to compete in a given race. A decision to allow or prevent such a yacht to compete will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
 - (b) E6 class yachts, sports boats, and multihull sports boats shall not sail south of the No. 1 leading light (but may use the No. 1 leading light as a rounding mark) unless a second support boat is available.
- 1.7 From time to time the race committee may require a yacht to conduct compliance checks on another yacht. Compliance checks may comprise safety, measurement, or membership checks.
- 1.8 RRS 44.1 is changed to permit a yacht that has broken a rule of the RRS part 2 or RRS 31 to take a penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. The penalty will be a scoring penalty as calculated in RRS 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.
- 1.9 All entered yachts will be rostered as a duty yacht for up to four (4) race days as follows:
 - (a) The race committee will allocate yachts to all days on the duty yacht roster.
 - (b) Rostered duty yachts shall arrange volunteers for the start box or support boat as determined by the race committee, regardless of whether the yacht races on that day.
 - (c) If a yacht does not race on the day it is rostered as duty yacht and provides the required number of volunteers, then the yacht shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.
 - (d) If a yacht races on the day it is rostered as duty yacht but does not provide a volunteer, then the yacht shall be scored Disqualification Not Excludable (DNE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.
 - (e) If a yacht does not race on the day it is rostered as duty yacht and does not provide a volunteer, then the yacht shall be scored DNE without a hearing in the next championship race it competes in. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.
 - (f) Duty yachts shall undertake, on at least one of their duty days, at least one compliance check of another yacht as allowed for under sailing instructions 1.7 and 21.2.
- 1.10 Spinnakers and multi-purpose sails shall not be used in rum races unless the race committee advises that such sails may be used. Lights will be illuminated approximately 15 minutes prior to the start time: green lights displayed on the start box indicate that spinnakers are permitted whereas no lights illuminated will indicate that spinnakers are not permitted. A yacht that uses a spinnaker or multi-purpose sail in breach of this instruction will be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.

2 Safety

- 2.1 Safety checks of any yacht in any division may be made at any time.
- 2.2 Crew shall wear lifejackets at all times, unless the person in charge of the yacht considers that conditions are such that there is no significant increase in the risk to the safety of any person through not wearing a lifejacket, and expressly gives permission for lifejackets not to be worn.
- 2.3 Yachts may be required to operate a smartphone-based tracking device at the yacht's own cost. If so required, yachts shall follow the operating instructions provided by the race committee.
- 2.4 Yachts shall report the following incidents which occur while racing to the race committee as soon as possible:
 - (a) Man overboard.
 - (b) An injury requiring treatment from a doctor, nurse, ambulance, or in a hospital.
 - (c) Contact with another yacht during a race causing serious damage.
 - (d) Loss of a keel, rudder or mast, or damage which materially adversely affects the seaworthiness of the yacht.
 - (e) An inrush of water into the yacht.

3 Notices to competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors (NTCs) will be posted on the RPNYC website and may be posted on the official notice board located in the RPNYC wardroom.

4 Changes to sailing instructions

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the RPNYC website at least two hours prior to it taking effect on the day it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it takes effect.

5 Signals made ashore

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RPNYC flagpole on the deck. The existence of signals having been made ashore may also be broadcast periodically on VHF channel 62.
- 5.2 When flag Y is displayed ashore, RRS 40 (which requires lifejackets to be worn) always applies while afloat. The race committee may also advise RRS 40 is to apply by broadcast on VHF as determined by instruction 24.1. This changes the RRS part 4 preamble.
- 5.3 The race committee may postpone a race prior to the starting signal by posting a notice on the RPNYC website. This changes RRS 27.3.

6 Schedule of races

- 6.1 The racing schedule is shown in the 2020-2021 chronology of races and events published on the RPNYC website.
- 6.2 To alert yachts that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag may be displayed with one sound at least five (5) minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 6.3 A maximum of four (4) races may be sailed per day.

7 Classes and class flags

7.1 The following divisions are proposed, subject to entries: division 1, division 2, division 3, and combined.

7.2 The class flags are as follows:

Division	Flag
Division 1	K
Division 2	E
Division 3	G
Combined	T

7.3 Yachts will be allocated to a division by the organising authority.

7.4 The combined division will comprise all yachts.

8 Racing area

8.1 Except for the Latitude race, all races will be held within Wellington harbour, and up to 10nm outside Wellington harbour, to the limits of Thoms Rock in the west and Turakirae Head in the east.

9 Courses

9.1 The courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left are published on the RPNYC website in a document entitled 2020-2021 courses.

9.2 Courses will be identified by displaying the course number as follows:

- (a) For Point Jerningham starts, the course for each division will be displayed above the division indicator. The course for the combined division will be displayed below the left hand mast.
- (b) For RPNYC starts, the course for each division will be displayed in or underneath the start box windows.
- (c) For on the water starts, the course number will be displayed on the race committee boat.

9.3 When flag F is displayed, the course will be a special course and will be broadcast on VHF channel 62 approximately 15 minutes prior to the start time.

10 Marks

10.1 Marks are published on the RPNYC website in a document entitled 2020-2021 harbour mark locations and descriptions.

10.2 A race committee vessel signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark, as provided in sailing instruction 13.2.

10.3 The race committee may advise yachts of the approximate location of a laid mark on VHF channel 62. A failure to so advise will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

11 Areas that are obstructions

11.1 The following areas are obstructions:

- (a) A line between the Mokopuna Island fairway mark and nearest point of land at Mokopuna Island.

- (b) A line between Point Jerningham light and the nearest point of land at Point Jerningham.
- (c) A line between the Steeple Rock light and Steeple Rock.

11.2 The Mokopuna Island fairway mark is a virtual mark at 41 14.900S 174 51.970E.

12 Starts

- 12.1 If fewer than two (2) yachts start within 10 minutes of their starting signal, the race shall be abandoned.
- 12.2 A yacht will be scored DNS if she starts later than ten minutes after her starting signal. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 12.3 Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 12.4 If any part of a yacht's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line at the start signal, the race committee may attempt to broadcast her name or sail number on VHF channel 62. Failure to make a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 12.5 When two or more divisions are scheduled to start at the same starting time and starting line:
- (a) The race committee may use the combined fleet class flag as the warning signal for these divisions and different courses may be signalled for each division.
 - (b) The race committee may use each division's class flag and start the divisions at the same time.
 - (c) The race committee may use each division's class flag and start the divisions at intervals.
- 12.6 The starting lines are:
- (a) RPNYC: a line between the start box flagpole and the starting mark laid to the north of the clubhouse. If no mark is laid, the line is an extension of the line between the start box flagpole and the light on the outer end of the boat harbour entrance.
 - (b) Point Jerningham: a line between the main start box flagpole and the starting mark laid to the east of the start box.
 - (c) On the water: a line between an orange staff on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the start mark at the port end.
- 12.7 An inner distance mark may be laid at any starting line at which a starting mark has been laid. When the inner distance mark is laid to starboard of the starting mark, it shall be passed to starboard either when approaching the starting line to start or after having started. When the inner distance mark is laid to port of the starting mark, it shall be passed to port either when approaching the starting line or after having started.
- 12.8 The race committee may alter the start location by broadcasting the new start location on VHF channel 62 not less than 45 minutes prior to the warning signal. The race committee may postpone racing in order to maintain the 45-minute notice required.
- 12.9 Mark Foy / pursuit starts:
- (a) Start times will be posted on the RPNYC website, and may be posted on the official notice board, not later than 1700 hours on the day before the race.
 - (b) For yachts starting after the limit yacht, a preparatory signal consisting of flag P accompanied by one sound signal will be displayed one minute before each yacht's starting time. Each start will be indicated by the lowering of flag P accompanied by one sound signal. This changes RRS 26.

- (c) The race committee may broadcast details of yachts due to start on VHF channel 62

13 Change of the next leg of the course

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 13.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.
- 13.3 Alternatively, the race committee may announce a change of the position of the next mark on VHF channel 62. Such an announcement will include the approximate position of the new mark, or the approximate distance and approximate bearing from the previous mark. This changes RRS 33.

14 Missing mark

- 14.1 If a mark is missing or out of position, the race committee may replace it and announce the new mark's description and approximate position on VHF channel 62. The new mark may or may not display flag M. This changes RRS 34.

15 Shortening the course

- 15.1 A race may be shortened by an announcement on VHF channel 62 or by displaying flag V at a mark, directing yachts to round a specified mark of the course and proceed directly to and cross the course finishing line for that race. In this case, RRS 32.2 will not apply.

16 The finish

- 16.1 Finishing lines:
- (a) RPNYC: a line between the start box flagpole and the finishing mark laid to the north of the clubhouse. If no mark is laid, the line is an extension of the line between the start box flagpole and the light on the outer end of the boat harbour entrance.
 - (b) Point Jerningham: a line between the main start box flagpole and the finishing mark laid to the east of the start box. If no mark is laid, or the finishing mark has been removed, the line is an extension of the line between the white and black pole on the hill behind the start box and the main start box flagpole, bearing 75° – 255° M.
 - (c) On the water: the line between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat at the port end and the yellow cylindrical finishing mark with a black band on the starboard end.
- 16.2 An inner distance mark may be laid at any finishing line at which a finishing mark has been laid. When the inner distance mark is laid to starboard of the finishing mark, it shall be passed to starboard either when approaching the finishing line to finish, or after having finished. When the inner distance mark is laid to port of the finishing mark, it shall be passed to port either when approaching the finishing line or after having finished.

17 Time limits

- 17.1 Any yacht that finishes after 2100 hours for rum and twilight races or 1800 hours for all other races will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 17.2 Any yacht failing to finish a divisional race within 60 minutes of the first yacht in their division to finish will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, RRS A4 and RRS A5.

- 17.3 The race committee will not display the warning signal for a division unless at least 90 minutes have elapsed since the first yacht in that division finished the previous race, or all yachts have finished, whichever is earlier.
- 17.4 Any yacht failing to finish a combined race within 120 minutes of the first yacht in their division finishing will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, RRS A4 and RRS A5.

18 Protests and requests for redress

- 18.1 The protest time limit for a protest by a yacht is 90 minutes after the last yacht, regardless of its division, has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to all classes or divisions. This changes RRS 61.3 and RRS 62.2.
- 18.2 Protests and requests for redress shall be submitted to the race office in person or via protest@rpnyc.org.nz within the appropriate time limit. This changes RRS 61.3 and RRS 62.2.
- 18.3 The protest time limit for a protest by the race committee or protest committee (known as the extended protest time limit) is 48 hours after the end of the protest time limit. This changes RRS 61.3.
- 18.4 If the race committee or protest committee intends to protest a yacht, it shall inform her within 48 hours of the end of the extended protest time limit. This changes RRS 61.1(b).
- 18.5 For protests where only a rule of RRS part 2 or RRS 31 is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to any formal hearing.
- 18.6 Protests will be held in the Noel Manthel Boardroom at the RPNYC clubhouse at 1800 hours on the first Tuesday after the race unless otherwise notified. If the hearing is to be held at an alternative time and place, the parties will be advised of the changes as early as possible.
- 18.7 The protest committee may apply an alternative penalty to that of disqualification as provided for RRS 64.1(a). The alternative penalty may be a warning, a scoring penalty or an elapsed time penalty. The quantum of a scoring penalty or elapsed time penalty shall be determined by the protest committee. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI. This changes RRS A11.
- 18.8 Breaches of notice of race paragraphs 5.5 and 5.6, or instructions 1.3-1.7, 2.2, 2.4, 5.2, 20.1-20.2, 21.3-21.4, 22, 23, 24 and 26 or an equivalent rule in the notice of race, will not be grounds for protest by a yacht. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 18.9 The race committee may protest a yacht for a breach of the instructions listed in instruction 18.8, or for any matter related to safety, on the basis of a report from an interested party. This changes RRS 60.2(a).
- 18.10 Reopening a hearing:
- (a) On the last scheduled day of racing for a series, a request for reopening a hearing must be delivered:
 - (i) within the protest time limit when the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous race day; or
 - (ii) no later than 30 minutes after the party reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.

19 Scoring

- 19.1 Races will be scored on PHRF, general handicap and line.
- 19.2 The general handicap will be a formula-derived performance handicap that adjusts after each race based on the performance for that race and up to four prior races.
- 19.3 PHRF results will be calculated for all yachts with a valid PHRF handicap, unless the yacht advises the race committee that it is not sailing in its measured configuration.
- 19.4 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 19.5 When six (6) or more races have been completed in a series, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score, with a further worst score to be excluded after every three (3) races thereafter.
- 19.6 For the rum series, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores. Sailing instruction 19.5 will not apply.
- 19.7 The minimum number of races to be completed for a series shall be one (1).

20 Safety regulations

- 20.1 A yacht that withdraws or retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 20.2 All yachts shall check in and check out via VHF channel 62 for races where a support boat is not available, or where races head south of Barrett Reef buoy:
 - (a) Yachts shall radio in stating their intention to race and number of persons on board prior to the race start.
 - (b) Yachts shall radio in confirming they have returned to the marina. For yachts from Seaview Marina or Evans Bay Marina, skippers may need to inform the race officer via mobile phone once safely berthed at their respective marina.
 - (c) Yachts failing to radio in prior to the race start or after returning to the marina may be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

21 Equipment and measurement checks

- 21.1 Any yacht or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with safety requirements, class rules, rating certificates, or the sailing instructions.
- 21.2 A yacht required by the race committee to conduct compliance checks on another yacht is deemed to be a race committee measurer.
- 21.3 If required by a race committee measurer, a yacht must:
 - (a) Proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
 - (b) Leave all equipment including sails, sheets and lifelines in the configuration in which it completed the race.
- 21.4 The race committee may require a yacht to undertake a compliance check on itself. If so required, the yacht will complete the compliance check form and return it to the race committee by the time specified.
- 21.5 A yacht that is racing in a measurement configuration that is at variance to the issued PHRF certificate or these sailing instructions may be subject to protest.

22 Advertising

- 22.1 Yachts may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. Violation of instruction 22 will cause World Sailing regulation 20.9.2 to apply.

23 Disposal of trash

- 23.1 Yachts shall not put trash in the water.

24 Radio communication

- 24.1 All radio communication between competitors and the race committee shall be through VHF channel 62 unless the race committee determines otherwise.
- 24.2 Yachts shall maintain a listening watch on VHF channel 62. The failure to receive a radio message from the race committee will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

25 Prizes

- 25.1 The organising authority may provide prizes for individual races and overall results.
- 25.2 RPNYC trophies may only be awarded to yachts entered as RPNYC yachts. If, but for this instruction, a trophy would have been awarded to a visiting yacht, then the trophy may instead be awarded to the highest placed RPNYC yacht.
- 25.3 Only yachts that comply with their class rules are eligible for class trophies.
- 25.4 Presented trophies remain the property of RPNYC and are not to leave the clubhouse premises

26 Insurance

- 26.1 Each yacht that races shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$250,000 per incident or the equivalent thereof.
- 26.2 Evidence of insurance shall be provided if requested by the organising authority.

27 Disclaimer of liability

- 27.1 Competitors participate in races entirely at their own risk. Refer to RRS 4, decision to race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with any organised race, including but not limited to the time prior to, during, or after a race.

28 Further information

- 28.1 For further information, please contact sailing@rpnyc.org.nz or visit www.rpnyc.org.nz.



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Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club

2020-2021 Racing Season

Offshore Notice of Race

The Organising Authority is the Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club Incorporated (RPNYC)
103 Oriental Parade Wellington | PO Box 9674, Wellington | sailing@rpnyc.org.nz

1 Event

- 1.1 This Notice of Race (NOR) covers all racing in the offshore series, the offshore two-handed series, and the offshore open series.

2 Rules

- 2.1 All racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 All yachts shall comply with part II of the Yachting New Zealand (YNZ) safety regulations as specified, and amended as follows:
- (a) Fitzroy Bay and Island Bay races for keel boats are category 5 amended to include a VHF transceiver, bosun's chair, and Wellington harbour chart NZ 4633.
 - (b) Brothers Island, Kapiti-Chetwodes-Ship Cove, Ship Cove, Cook Strait Classic, Catherine Cove to Wellington, and Two-handed offshore races are category 3.
 - (c) Nelson race is category 3 modified such that yachts must carry:
 - (i) a liferaft in accordance with safety regulation 17.11;
 - (ii) a storm jib in accordance with safety regulation 15.15(b); and
 - (iii) fire extinguishers in accordance with safety regulation 17.01.
- 2.3 All yachts shall carry sufficient paper charts and associated publications to ensure they can continue to navigate satisfactorily in the event of the failure of electronic navigation aids. Each yacht is responsible for its own safety and should consider additional charts for inshore navigation and ports of refuge.
- 2.4 Navigation charts shall also be stored electronically and shall be stored on at least two (2) separate chart plotting devices, one of which must be able to be powered separately from the yacht's main power source and be able to be recharged independently of the main engine and operate for an extended period of time. These devices must not be reliant on cellular coverage to function.
- 2.5 The Wellington Regional Navigation and Safety Bylaws, the Marlborough District Council Navigation Bylaw 2009, the Nelson City Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2012, and the Canterbury Regional Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2016 and Controls will apply:
- (a) There shall be a moving prohibited zone extending to 100m astern and 100m to each side, and continuing at such width to 500m ahead, of every vessel larger than 500 GRT.
 - (b) A boat shall be disqualified without a hearing if a vessel larger than 500 GRT reports to the organising authority, to the harbour master, or to Maritime New Zealand, that the boat has either:
 - (i) entered her moving prohibition zone; or
 - (ii) impeded her navigation (including but not limited to requiring her to take avoiding action).

2.6 RRS appendix T will apply.

2.7 RRS 78.2 will not apply.

2.8 Racing rules will be changed as follows:

- (a) Yachts with lifting keels shall have keels locked in the down position and not moved whilst racing. This changes RRS 52.
- (b) Yachts with movable ballast, in the form of a canting keel or water ballast, may move that ballast to increase or decrease weight, or to change trim or stability. This changes RRS 51.
- (c) Movement of sails not in use while racing is allowed. However, sails not being flown must remain within the boat's lifelines. This modifies RRS 51 only inasmuch as it pertains to the movement of sails.
- (d) RRS 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of a canting keel or water ballast.
- (e) Two-handed yachts may use an autopilot or other self-steering device. This changes RRS 52.
- (f) Between the hours of sunset and sunrise the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea shall apply. This changes RRS part 2.
- (g) RRS 41 and RRS 47.1 are changed as follows pertaining to the suspension of racing:
 - (i) a yacht may suspend racing for safety and seamanship reasons (e.g. to make repairs) provided she marks her position where the suspension commences and informs the organising authority at the first reasonable opportunity of the racing suspension commencement time and location. Suspension of racing shall not be used to gain a tactical advantage (e.g. to get out of adverse tide etc.);
 - (ii) a yacht that has suspended racing may use a propulsion engine, haul out, or make fast, until she resumes racing;
 - (iii) a yacht that has suspended racing, may, before resuming racing, remove garbage, use any equipment or receive help to effect repairs but shall not take on food or other provisions, or replace equipment, without the prior permission of the organising authority; and
 - (iv) before resuming racing, a yacht shall return to the position where she suspended racing and inform the organising authority at her first reasonable opportunity of the time and location at which she has resumed racing.
- (h) RRS 41 is changed as follows pertaining to outside assistance:
 - (i) whilst racing, boats may utilise weather information that is routinely available throughout the year to the general public and whose availability is publicly indexed (e.g. searchable by Google). Boats shall not arrange for weather routers or meteorologists or other individuals to provide them with advice, customised data, compilations, or screen shots of public data during the race regardless of how that information may be communicated;
 - (ii) boats may receive regularly scheduled weather broadcasts, GRIB data, weather fax transmissions, or other internet-based forecast information including weather routing functions within an application, whether subscription-based or free of charge (e.g. Metservice or PredictWind); and
 - (iii) prior to the warning signal for a leg, there are no limitations on private services or other sources of data or consulting.

- 2.9 Safety checks of any yacht may be made at any time.
- 2.10 Crew shall wear lifejackets or be tethered to the yacht at all times, unless the person in charge of the yacht considers that conditions are such that there is no significant increase in the risk to the safety of any person through not wearing a lifejacket or being tethered to the yacht, and expressly gives permission for lifejackets and tethers not to be worn.
- 2.11 Yachts shall report the following incidents which occur while racing to the race committee as soon as possible:
 - (a) Man overboard.
 - (b) An injury requiring treatment from a doctor, nurse, ambulance, or in a hospital.
 - (c) Contact with another yacht during a race causing serious damage.
 - (d) Loss of a keel, rudder or mast, or damage which materially adversely affects the seaworthiness of the yacht.
 - (e) An inrush of water into the yacht.

3 Advertising

- 3.1 Yachts may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. Violation of 3.1 will cause World Sailing regulation 20.9.2 to apply.

4 Eligibility and entry

- 4.1 Racing is open to all multihull and self-righting monohull yachts.
- 4.2 Entries will be accepted from yachts registered on the RPNYC yacht register (RPNYC yachts) and from visiting yachts.
- 4.3 Visiting yachts will not be eligible for RPNYC trophies but will be eligible for prizes.
- 4.4 The organising authority may accept, reject, or subsequently cancel the entry of a visiting yacht for any reason.
- 4.5 To be eligible to compete in any race or the offshore series, the offshore two-handed series, or the offshore open series, the following membership requirements shall be met:
 - (a) Each crew member shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the entrant and crew member's national authority.
 - (b) Each crew member shall be registered as a crew member prior to the briefing in the format prescribed by the organising authority.
- 4.6 Each yacht must submit a current category 3 (or higher) safety certificate to the organising authority no later than the briefing for the first race in the series or the briefing of the race entered.
- 4.7 If a liferaft is to be carried aboard the yacht, then a liferaft inspection certificate is to be submitted to the organising authority no later than the briefing for the first race in the series or the briefing of the race entered.
- 4.8 Each yacht must submit a 406 EPIRB registration certificate for all EPIRB's and PLB's to be carried during the race (see beacons.org.nz) to the organising authority no later than the briefing for the first race in the series or the briefing of the race entered. Emergency contacts must be up to date.
- 4.9 Entries shall be lodged on the RPNYC website twenty-four hours prior to the scheduled briefing for the race in which the entrant wishes to participate.

4.10 Yachts may enter individual races or an entire series.

5 Fees

5.1 The required entry fees are:

Event	Entry fee
Offshore series	\$85
Offshore two-handed series	No fee
Offshore open series	No fee
Any individual race from the offshore series	\$30

6 Schedule of races

6.1 Unless excused by the race committee, a representative of each yacht must attend the race briefing for each race entered. All race briefings will be held at the RPNYC clubhouse.

6.2 Briefings and warning signals for races in the offshore series, the offshore two-handed series, and the offshore open series are as follows:

Race	Series	Briefing	Warning signal	Approximate distance
Brothers Island	Offshore	2 Oct 2020 1830 hours	3 Oct 2020 0455 hours	67 nm
Fitzroy Bay	Offshore	Season briefing	17 Oct 2020 0955 hours	25 nm
Kapiti-Chetwodes-Ship Cove	Offshore	3 Dec 2020 1830 hours	4 Dec 2020 1825 hours	110 nm
Ship Cove	Offshore open	3 Dec 2020 1830 hours	5 Dec 2020 0725 hours	40 nm
Cook Strait Classic	Offshore	18 Dec 2020 1830 hours	19 Dec 2020 0725 hours	34 nm
Nelson	Offshore	21 Jan 2021 0830 hours	22 Jan 2021 1055 hours	117 nm
Catherine Cove to Wellington	Offshore	1 Feb 2021 0830 hours	6 Feb 2021 0555 hours	64 nm
Two-handed Brothers Island	Offshore two-handed	1 Mar 2021 1900 hours	3 Mar 2021 0655 hours	67 nm
Island Bay	Offshore	Season briefing	27 Mar 2021 0955 hours	18 nm

7 Measurement

- 7.1 Each yacht shall have a current PHRF certificate issued by Yachting New Zealand should it wish to be scored under PHRF.
- 7.2 PHRF certificate compliance measurements may be conducted at any time.
- 7.3 No changes to PHRF certificates may be made after a race briefing except:
 - (a) As a result of a rating protest to correct rating office errors.
 - (b) As a result of YNZ updating a yacht's PHRF certificate as part of its PHRF review process.

8 Sailing instructions

- 8.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the RPNYC website no later than the pre-season briefing.
- 8.2 A race appendix will be made available at or before each individual race briefing.

9 Racing area

- 9.1 The races will be held in Wellington harbour, Cook Strait, Queen Charlotte Sound, Tasman Bay, and the east coast of the South Island.

10 Courses

- 10.1 A range of courses may be specified in the race appendix.

11 Scoring

- 11.1 Races will be scored on PHRF, a general handicap, and line.
- 11.2 The general handicap will be a formula-derived performance handicap that adjusts after each race based on the performance for that race and up to four prior races.
- 11.3 PHRF results will be calculated for all yachts with a valid PHRF handicap, unless the yacht advises the race committee that it is not sailing in its measured configuration.
- 11.4 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed in the offshore series, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.5 When five (5) races have been completed in the offshore series, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.6 The minimum number of races to be completed for the offshore series shall be two (2).

12 Penalty system

- 12.1 The scoring penalty described in RRS 44.3 will apply.

13 Prizes

- 13.1 The organising authority shall award the trophies normally associated with the organising authority's offshore races.
- 13.2 RPNYC trophies may only be awarded to yachts entered as RPNYC yachts. If, but for this paragraph, a trophy would have been awarded to a visiting yacht, then the trophy may instead be awarded to the highest placed RPNYC yacht.
- 13.3 Presented trophies remain the property of RPNYC and are not to leave the clubroom premises.

14 Declarations

- 14.1 Competitors are required to submit a declaration form prior to the start and at the end of each race, as provided at the briefing.
- 14.2 The pre-race declaration shall stipulate that the yacht complies with its safety certificate and the crew are fit and healthy and able to compete in the race.
- 14.3 The post-race declaration shall stipulate the particulars of any of the following events if relevant:
- (a) Suspension of racing.
 - (b) Breach of the racing rules of sailing.
 - (c) Breach of the notice of race.
 - (d) Breach of the sailing instructions.
 - (e) Breach of applicable harbour bylaws.
 - (f) Use of engine for propulsion for any reason.
 - (g) Missed position report.
- 14.4 Failure to submit a declaration to the race committee within 48 hours of finishing shall result in the yacht being protested by the race committee.

15 Insurance

- 15.1 Each yacht that races shall be insured with valid marine third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 per incident or the equivalent thereof.
- 15.2 Evidence of insurance shall be provided by the scheduled briefing time of the race the yacht intends to compete in if requested by the organising authority.

16 Disclaimer of liability

- 16.1 Competitors who participate in any RPNYC event do so entirely at their own risk. Refer to RRS 4. RPNYC will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.
- 16.2 The organising authority will make starting signals unless in the race committees' opinion it is manifestly unsafe for yachts to race. Each yacht shall exercise her responsibility under RRS 4 and decide whether to start or having started whether to continue to race.
- 16.3 The organising authority is not responsible for:
- (a) The seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted.
 - (b) The sufficiency or adequacy of the yacht's equipment.
 - (c) The competence of the yacht's skipper or crew.
- 16.4 After 1 January 2021, RRS 3 will be substituted for RRS 4 in paragraphs 16.1 and 16.2.

17 Further information

- 17.1 For further information, please contact sailing@rpnyc.org.nz or visit www.rpnyc.org.nz.

Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club

2020-2021 Racing Season

Offshore Sailing Instructions

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1 Rules

- 1.1 All racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 All yachts shall comply with part II of the Yachting New Zealand (YNZ) safety regulations as specified, and amended as follows:
 - (a) Fitzroy Bay and Island Bay races for keel boats are category 5 amended to include a VHF transceiver, bosun's chair, and Wellington harbour chart NZ 4633.
 - (b) Brothers Island, Kapiti-Chetwodes-Ship Cove, Ship Cove, Cook Strait Classic, Catherine Cove to Wellington, and Two-handed Brothers Island races are category 3.
 - (c) Nelson race is category 3 modified such that yachts must carry:
 - (i) a liferaft in accordance with safety regulation 17.11;
 - (ii) a storm jib in accordance with safety regulation 15.15(b); and
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- 1.3 All yachts shall carry sufficient paper charts and associated publications to ensure they can continue to navigate satisfactorily in the event of the failure of electronic navigation aids. Each yacht is responsible for its own safety and should consider additional charts for inshore navigation and ports of refuge.
- 1.4 Navigation charts shall also be stored electronically and shall be stored on at least two (2) separate chart plotting devices, one of which must be able to be powered separately from the yacht's main power source and be able to be recharged independently of the main engine and operate for an extended period of time. These devices must not be reliant on cellular coverage to function.
- 1.5 The Wellington Regional Navigation and Safety Bylaws, the Marlborough District Council Navigation Bylaw 2009, the Nelson City Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2012, and the Canterbury Regional Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2016 and Controls will apply.
 - (a) There shall be a moving prohibited zone extending to 100m astern and 100m to each side, and continuing at such width to 500m ahead, of every vessel larger than 500 GRT.
 - (b) A boat shall be disqualified without a hearing if a vessel larger than 500 GRT reports to the organising authority, to the relevant harbour master, or to Maritime New Zealand, that the boat has either:
 - (i) entered her moving prohibition zone; or
 - (ii) impeded her navigation (including but not limited to requiring her to take avoiding action).
- 1.6 RRS appendix T will apply.
- 1.7 RRS 78.2 will not apply.

1.8 Racing rules will be changed as follows:

- (a) Yachts with lifting keels shall have keels locked in the down position and not moved whilst racing. This changes RRS 52.
- (b) Yachts with movable ballast, in the form of a canting keel or water ballast, may move that ballast to increase or decrease weight, or to change trim or stability. This changes RRS 51.
- (c) Movement of sails not in use while racing is allowed. However, sails not being flown must remain within the boat's lifelines. This modifies RRS 51 only inasmuch as it pertains to the movement of sails.
- (d) RRS 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of a canting keel or water ballast.
- (e) Two-handed yachts may use an autopilot or other self-steering device. This changes RRS 52.
- (f) Between the hours of sunset and sunrise the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea shall apply. This changes RRS part 2.
- (g) RRS 41 and RRS 47.1 are changed as follows pertaining to the suspension of racing:
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 - (ii) a yacht that has suspended racing may use a propulsion engine, haul out, or make fast, until she resumes racing;
 - (iii) a yacht that has suspended racing, may, before resuming racing, remove garbage, use any equipment or receive help to effect repairs but shall not take on food or other provisions, or replace equipment, without the prior permission of the organising authority; and
 - (iv) before resuming racing, a yacht shall return to the position where she suspended racing and inform the organising authority at her first reasonable opportunity of the time and location at which she has resumed racing.
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 - (i) whilst racing, boats may utilise weather information that is routinely available throughout the year to the general public and whose availability is publicly indexed (e.g. searchable by Google). Boats shall not arrange for weather routers or meteorologists or other individuals to provide them with advice, customised data, compilations, or screen shots of public data during the race regardless of how that information may be communicated;
 - (ii) boats may receive regularly scheduled weather broadcasts, GRIB data, weather fax transmissions, or other internet based forecast information including weather routing functions within an application, whether subscription-based or free of charge (e.g. Metservice or PredictWind); and
 - (iii) prior to the warning signal for a leg, there are no limitations on private services or other sources of data or consulting.
- (i) Unless excused by the race committee, any yacht that does not have a representative attend the race briefings will be scored Did Not Compete (DNC) without a hearing in that race. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

- 1.9 Safety checks of any yacht may be made at any time.
- 1.10 Crew shall wear lifejackets or be tethered to the yacht at all times, unless the person in charge of the yacht considers that conditions are such that there is no significant increase in the risk to the safety of any person through not wearing a lifejacket or being tethered to the yacht, and expressly gives permission for lifejackets and tethers not to be worn.
- 1.11 Yachts shall report the following incidents which occur while racing to the race committee as soon as possible:
- (a) Man overboard.
 - (b) An injury requiring treatment from a doctor, nurse, ambulance, or in a hospital.
 - (c) Contact with another yacht during a race causing serious damage.
 - (d) Loss of a keel, rudder or mast, or damage which materially adversely affects the seaworthiness of the yacht.
 - (e) An inrush of water into the yacht.

2 Notices to competitors

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the RPNYC website and may be posted on the official notice board located in the RPNYC clubhouse.

3 Changes to sailing instructions

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the RPNYC website at least one hour prior to it taking effect on the day it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it takes effect.

4 Signals made ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RPNYC clubhouse flagpole. The existence of signals having been made ashore may also be broadcast periodically on VHF channel 62.
- 4.2 The race committee may postpone a race prior to the starting signal by posting a notice on the RPNYC website. This changes RRS 27.3.

5 Schedule of races

- 5.1 A representative of each yacht must attend the race briefing for each race entered. All race briefings will be held at the RPNYC clubhouse.
- 5.2 Briefings and warning signals are as follows:

Race	Briefing	Warning signal	Approximate distance
Brothers Island	2 Oct 2020 1830 hours	3 Oct 2020 0455 hours	67 nm
Fitzroy Bay	Season briefing	17 Oct 2020 0955 hours	25 nm
Kapiti-Chetwodes-Ship Cove	3 Dec 2020 1830 hours	4 Dec 2020 1825 hours	110 nm
Ship Cove	3 Dec 2020 1830 hours	5 Dec 2020 0725 hours	40 nm

Cook Strait Classic	18 Dec 2020 1830 hours	19 Dec 2020 0725 hours	34 nm
Nelson	21 Jan 2021 0830 hours	22 Jan 2021 1055 hours	117 nm
Catherine Cove to Wellington	1 Feb 2021 0830 hours	6 Feb 2021 0555 hours	64 nm
Two-handed Brothers Island	1 Mar 2021 1900 hours	3 Mar 2021 0655 hours	67 nm
Island Bay	Season briefing	27 Mar 2021 0955 hours	18 nm

6 Classes and class flags

- 6.1 The class flag will be flag T.

7 Racing area

- 7.1 The races will be held in Wellington harbour, Cook Strait, Queen Charlotte Sound, Tasman Bay, and the east coast of the South Island.

8 Courses

- 8.1 The course options for each race will be specified in the race appendix.

9 Marks

- 9.1 Unless otherwise specified, all marks are geographic features or navigational marks, buoys, lighthouses and the like.

10 Areas that are obstructions

- 10.1 The following areas are obstructions:
- (a) A line between Point Jerningham light and the nearest point of land at Point Jerningham.
 - (b) A line between the Steeple Rock light and Steeple Rock.
 - (c) A line between Thoms Rock and the nearest point of land.

11 Starts

- 11.1 The starting line shall be an extension of the line between the RPNYC clubhouse start box flagpole and the orange staff mounted at the outer end of the Clyde Quay Boat Harbour entrance, bearing 170° – 350°T.
- 11.2 During daylight hours, races shall be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 11.3 In darkness or reduced visibility (as assessed by the race committee), race signals shall be amended to become:
- (a) Warning signal: One green light
 - (b) Preparatory signal: Two green lights
 - (c) One minute signal: One green light extinguished
 - (d) Start: Second green light extinguished

- (e) Individual recall: One red light
- (f) General recall: Two red lights.

11.4 If any part of a yacht's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line at the start signal, the race committee may attempt to broadcast her name or sail number on VHF channel 62. Failure to make a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12 Race postponements

- 12.1 The race officer may postpone by any amount of time as they see fit.
- 12.2 The race officer may also make a postponement whereby the start will not take place before a certain time.
- 12.3 Postponements will be notified on VHF Channel 62 or ashore on the RPNYC official notice board or on the RPNYC website.

13 The finish

- 13.1 The finish line for each race will be specified in the race appendix.

14 Radio instructions

- 14.1 Refer to the race appendix for the timing of the radio schedule and the radio schedule procedures.
- 14.2 A yacht that fails to report may either:
 - (a) Incur a 1% elapsed time penalty (without a hearing) for every missed report.
 - (b) Be protested by the race committee.This changes RRS 63.1.
- 14.3 For the avoidance of doubt, the penalty in sailing instruction 14.2(a) does not bind a protest committee.
- 14.4 Each yacht shall, no less than 15 minutes prior to its warning signal, contact Port Nicholson Sports Radio on VHF channel 62 advising of her intention to race and the number of people on board.
- 14.5 Prior to the start, yachts shall maintain a listening watch on VHF channel 62.
- 14.6 After the start and while racing, yachts shall maintain a listening watch on VHF channel 16.
- 14.7 If a yacht is unable to contact the race officer by VHF or cell phone, they should attempt to pass their message to the race officer via Maritime Operations.
- 14.8 If a yacht is unable to contact Maritime Operations by VHF, cell phone or any other means, then the yacht shall attempt to contact other vessels (either other race yachts or third parties) to relay a message to Maritime Operations.
- 14.9 If a yacht overhears a failed attempt by another yacht to contact the race officer or Maritime Operations, that yacht shall attempt to relay the message on the other yacht's behalf.

15 GPS tracking service

- 15.1 Each yacht is expected use the GPS tracking service specified in the race appendix.
- 15.2 Prior to the start, each yacht shall:
 - (a) Test that the GPS tracking service is operating.

- (b) Check that the battery level is sufficient to power the tracking device for the duration of the race.
- (c) Contact the race committee on VHF channel 62 to confirm that tracking signals are being received by the race committee.

16 Declaration form

16.1 Leg start declaration:

- (a) Competitors are required to submit a declaration form signed by skippers at the briefing prior to each leg, as provided in the entry pack supplied at or prior to the race briefing.
- (b) The declaration shall cover details of the following items:
 - (i) the yacht complies in all respects with its current safety certificate; and
 - (ii) the yacht complies in all respects with the safety requirements of the notice of race and the sailing instructions, that the crew are physically fit, healthy and are able to complete the race, and any further amendments that may be posted by the organising authority.

16.2 Leg finish declaration:

- (a) Skippers are required to submit a declaration form at the end of each race, as provided at the race briefing or by emailing sailing@rpnyc.org.nz within 48 hours of finishing the race.
- (b) The declaration shall include the time the finish line is crossed using local GPS time.
- (c) The declaration shall cover details of any of the following events:
 - (i) suspension of racing for any reason;
 - (ii) breach of the racing rules of sailing and any penalty already taken;
 - (iii) breach of the notice of race;
 - (iv) breach of the sailing instructions;
 - (v) breach of harbour bylaws;
 - (vi) use of the engine for propulsion for any reason; or
 - (vii) any missed position reports;
- (d) The declaration should include a full account of the circumstances surrounding the breach and impact, if any, on the yachts progress towards the finish of the race.
- (e) Failure to submit a declaration to the race committee within 48 hours of finishing shall result in the yacht being protested by the race committee.

17 Time limits

17.1 There are no race time limits.

18 Protests and requests for redress

- 18.1 For protests where only a rule of part 2 or RRS 31 is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to any formal hearing. YNZ regulation 4.5.5 will apply. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 18.2 The protest time limit is 48 hours after the last yacht has finished the race. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and protest committee regarding incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and RRS 62.2.

- 18.3 Protests and requests for redress or requests for the reopening of a protest shall be submitted to the race office in person or via protest@rpnyc.org.nz within the appropriate time limit. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 18.4 Protest hearings will be held as soon as possible after the conclusion of racing. Protests will normally be held in the Noel Manthel Boardroom at the RPNYC clubhouse at 1800 hours on the first Tuesday after the race unless otherwise notified. If the hearing is to be held at an alternative time and place, the parties will be advised of the changes as early as possible.
- 18.5 The protest committee may apply an alternative penalty to that of disqualification as provided for in RRS 64.1(a). The alternative penalty may be a warning, a scoring penalty or an elapsed time penalty. The quantum of a scoring penalty or elapsed time penalty shall be determined by the protest committee. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI. This changes RRS A11.
- 18.6 Breaches of instructions 1.2, 1.8(h), 1.8(i), 1.10, 1.11, 16, 19 and 25 shall not be grounds for protest by a yacht. Further restrictions on the grounds for protest by a yacht may be imposed in the race appendices. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

19 Safety regulations

- 19.1 At the start of each race, yachts shall carry sufficient food and water appropriate for the race.
- 19.2 Any yacht withdrawing from the race for any reason must advise Maritime Radio as soon as possible by any means available.
- 19.3 The race committee has the authority to require a boat to start its engine and take avoiding action without penalty or protest.

20 Equipment and measurement checks

- 20.1 Any yacht or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with safety requirements, class rules, rating certificates or the sailing instructions.
- 20.2 A yacht required by the race committee to conduct compliance checks on another yacht is deemed to be a race committee measurer.
- 20.3 If required by a race committee measurer, a yacht must:
- (a) Proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
 - (b) Leave all equipment including sails, sheets and lifelines in the configuration in which it completed the race.
- 20.4 A yacht that is racing in a measurement configuration that is at variance to the issued PHRF certificate or the sailing instructions may be subject to protest.

21 Disposal of trash

- 21.1 Yachts shall not put trash in the water.

22 Hull cleaning

- 22.1 All yachts are reminded of their obligations regarding biosecurity requirements from the Ministry for Primary Industries to have clean hulls. It is recommended that all yachts carry certification of hull cleaning or the invoice or the receipt from a pre-race hull clean. Marinas may require evidence of hull cleaning prior to entry.

23 Scoring

- 23.1 Races will be scored on PHRF, offshore general handicap and line.

- 23.2 The offshore general handicap will be a formula-derived performance handicap that adjusts after each race based on the performance for that race and up to four prior races.
- 23.3 PHRF results will be calculated for all yachts with a valid PHRF handicap, unless the yacht advises the race committee that it is not sailing in its measured configuration.
- 23.4 Any race in which fewer than three yachts attend the relevant race briefing will be deemed to have been abandoned.
- 23.5 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed in the offshore series, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 23.6 When five (5) races have been completed in the offshore series, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 23.7 The minimum number of races to be completed for the offshore series shall be two (2).

24 Prizes

- 24.1 The organising authority may award the trophies normally associated with the organising authority's offshore races.
- 24.2 RPNYC trophies may only be awarded to yachts entered as RPNYC yachts. If, but for this paragraph, a trophy would have been awarded to a visiting yacht, then the trophy may instead be awarded to the highest placed RPNYC yacht.
- 24.3 Eligibility for class trophies requires yachts to comply with their class rules.
- 24.4 Presented trophies remain the property of RPNYC and are not to leave the clubhouse premises.

25 Insurance

- 25.1 Each yacht that races shall be insured with valid marine third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 per incident or the equivalent thereof.
- 25.2 Evidence of insurance shall be provided by the scheduled briefing time of the race the yacht intends to compete in if requested by the organising authority.

26 Disclaimer of liability

- 26.1 Competitors who participate in any RPNYC event do so entirely at their own risk. Refer to RRS 4. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.
- 26.2 The organising authority will make starting signals unless in the race committees' opinion it is manifestly unsafe for yachts to race. Each yacht shall exercise her responsibility under RRS 4 and decide whether to start or having started whether to continue to race.
- 26.3 The organising authority is not responsible for:
 - (a) The seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted.
 - (b) The sufficiency or adequacy of the yacht's equipment.
 - (c) The competence of the yacht's skipper or crew.
- 26.4 After 1 January 2021, RRS 3 will be substituted for RRS 4 in paragraphs 26.1 and 26.2.

27 Further information

- 27.1 For further information, please contact sailing@rpnyc.org.nz or visit www.rpnyc.org.nz.



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2020-2021 chronology of races and events

Pre-season briefing at 1830		Thursday, 10 September 2020
Interclub and fleet series	Opening Day at RPNYC	Saturday, 19 September 2020
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined, Spinnaker, and Non-spinnaker	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, Interclub, and PHRF Inshore	
Sailing safety day	Details to be advised	Saturday, 26 September 2020
Interclub and fleet series	Opening Day at LBYC	Sunday, 27 September 2020
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	LBYC	
Divisions:	Combined, Spinnaker, and Non-spinnaker	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, Interclub, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 1	Friday, 2 October 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Offshore series	Brothers Island race	Saturday, 3 October 2020
Warning signal:	0455	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Offshore, and PHRF Passage	
Special series	Special race day	Saturday, 3 October 2020
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 2	Friday, 9 October 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Interclub and fleet series	Opening Day at EBYMBC	Saturday, 10 October 2020
Warning signal:	1310	
Start line:	EBYMBC	
Divisions:	Combined, Spinnaker, and Non-spinnaker	

Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, Interclub, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 3	Friday, 16 October 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Offshore series	Fitzroy Bay race	Saturday, 17 October 2020
Warning signal:	0955	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Offshore, and PHRF Passage	
Fleet series	Fitzroy Bay race	Saturday, 17 October 2020
Warning signal:	0955	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 4	Friday, 23 October 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 5	Friday, 30 October 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Two-handed series	Race day 1	Saturday, 31 October 2020
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Spring series	Race day 1	Saturday, 31 October 2020
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	
Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 6	Friday, 6 November 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	

Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Two-handed series	Race day 2	Saturday, 7 November 2020
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Spring series	Race day 2	Saturday, 7 November 2020
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	
Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 7	Friday, 13 November 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Two-handed series	Race day 3	Saturday, 14 November 2020
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Spring series	Race day 3	Saturday, 14 November 2020
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	
Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 8	Friday, 20 November 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Two-handed series	Race day 4	Saturday, 21 November 2020
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	

Spring series	Race day 4	Saturday, 21 November 2020
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	
Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 9	Friday, 27 November 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Social series	Social sail and Christmas party - details to be advised	Saturday, 28 November 2020
Rum series	Race day 10	Friday, 4 December 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Offshore series	Kapiti-Chetwodes-Ship Cove race	Friday, 4 December 2020
Warning signal:	1855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Offshore, and PHRF Passage	
Offshore open series	Ship Cove race	Saturday, 5 December 2020
Warning signal:	0725	
Start line:	Wellington	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Passage	
Comment:	This race allows boats that are not in the offshore fleet to do a short offshore race and then join the offshore fleet for a raft up in the Sounds, with a return to Wellington on Sunday 6 December.	
Special series	Latitude race	Saturday, 5 December 2020
Warning signal:	0955	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 11	Friday, 11 December 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	

Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
EBYMBC poker race		Saturday, 12 December 2020
Rum series	Race day 12	Friday, 18 December 2020
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Offshore series	Cook Strait Classic	Saturday, 19 December 2020
Warning signal:	0725	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Offshore, and PHRF Passage	
Fleet series	Reserve race day	Saturday, 19 December 2020
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 13	Friday, 8 January 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Twilight series	Race day 1	Wednesday, 13 January 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	On the water	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Twilight, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 14	Friday, 15 January 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Special series	Three clubs' race	Saturday, 16 January 2021
Warning signal:	0955 at RPNYC, 1125 at EBYMBC and 1255 at LBYC	
Start line:	RPNYC, EBYMBC and LBYC respectively	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	

Twilight series	Race day 2	Wednesday, 20 January 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	On the water	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Twilight, and PHRF Inshore	
Offshore series	Nelson race	Friday, 22 January 2021
Warning signal:	1055	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Offshore, and PHRF Passage	
Rum series	Race day 15	Friday, 22 January 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Fleet series	Fleet race day	Saturday, 23 January 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, and PHRF Inshore	
Nelson regatta		22-26 January 2021
Twilight series	Race day 3	Wednesday, 27 January 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	On the water	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Twilight, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 16	Friday, 29 January 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Two-handed series	Race day 5	Saturday, 30 January 2021
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Summer series	Race day 1	Saturday, 30 January 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	

Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	
Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	
Twilight series	Race day 4	Wednesday, 3 February 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	On the water	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Twilight, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 17	Friday, 5 February 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Offshore series	Catherine Cove to Wellington	Saturday, 6 February 2020
Warning signal:	0555	
Start line:	Vicinity of Catherine Cove	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Offshore, and PHRF Passage	
Special series	Veterans' race	Saturday, 6 February 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Social series	Waitangi Day social sail – details to be announced	Monday, 8 February 2021
Rum series	Race day 18	Friday, 12 February 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Two-handed series	Race day 6	Saturday, 13 February 2021
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Summer series	Race day 2	Saturday, 13 February 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	

Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	
Port Nicholson Regatta		18-21 February 2021
Rum series	Race day 19	Friday, 26 February 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Two-handed series	Race day 7	Saturday, 27 February 2021
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Autumn series	Race day 1	Saturday, 27 February 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	
Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	
Offshore two-handed series	Two-handed Brothers Island	Wednesday, 3 March 2020
Warning signal:	0655	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Rum series	Race day 20	Friday, 5 March 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Two-handed series	Race day 8	Saturday, 6 March 2021
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Autumn series	Race day 2	Saturday, 6 March 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	
Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	

Rum series	Race day 21	Friday, 12 March 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Two-handed series	Race day 9	Saturday, 13 March 2021
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Alan Martin series	Race day 1	Saturday, 13 March 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	
Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	
Rum series	Race day 22	Friday, 19 March 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
EBYMBC regatta		20-21 March 2021
Rum series	Race day 23	Friday, 26 March 2021
Warning signal:	1755	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Offshore series	Island Bay race	Saturday, 27 March 2021
Warning signal:	0955	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Offshore, and PHRF Passage	
Fleet series	Island Bay race	Saturday, 27 March 2021
Warning signal:	0955	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, and PHRF Inshore	
Social series	Sounds Easter cruise – details to be announced	1-5 April 2021


Two-handed series	Race day 10	Saturday, 10 April 2021
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Alan Martin series	Race day 2	Saturday, 10 April 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	
Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	
Two-handed series	Race day 11	Saturday, 17 April 2021
Warning signal:	0855	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Alan Martin series	Race day 3	Saturday, 17 April 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	1, 2 and 3	
Handicaps:	Line, Divisional, and PHRF Inshore	
Special series	Anzac Day race	Sunday, 25 April 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Special series	Commodore's Trophy	Saturday, 1 May 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Comment:	This race doubles as the Ambassador's Trophy race.	
Special series	Ambassadors' Trophy	Saturday, 1 May 2021
Warning signal:	1255	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Rum, and PHRF Inshore	
Comment:	This race doubles as the Commodore's Trophy race.	
Winter two-handed series	Race day 1	Saturday, 12 June 2021
Warning signal:	0955	
Start line:	RPNYC	

Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Winter series	Race day 1	Sunday, 13 June 2021
Warning signal:	1155	
Start line:	RPNYC or Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, and PHRF Inshore	
Comment:	Race day 1 of the winter series doubles as the Navy Cup special race, which will be handicapped using the Fleet Rum handicap.	
Winter series	Race day 2	Sunday, 27 June 2021
Warning signal:	1155	
Start line:	RPNYC or Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, and PHRF Inshore	
Winter two-handed series	Race day 2	Saturday, 10 July 2021
Warning signal:	0955	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Winter series	Race day 3	Sunday, 11 July 2021
Warning signal:	1155	
Start line:	RPNYC or Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, and PHRF Inshore	
Winter series	Race day 4	Sunday, 25 July 2021
Warning signal:	1155	
Start line:	RPNYC or Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, and PHRF Inshore	
Winter two-handed series	Race day 3	Saturday, 7 August 2021
Warning signal:	0955	
Start line:	RPNYC	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Two-handed, and PHRF Shorthanded	
Winter series	Race day 5	Sunday, 8 August 2021
Warning signal:	1155	
Start line:	RPNYC or Pt Jerningham	
Divisions:	Combined	
Handicaps:	Line, Fleet Inshore, and PHRF Inshore	

2020-2021 summary of races

Interclub series		Offshore series	
RPNYC Opening Day	19 Sep 20	Brothers Island	3 Oct 20
LBYC Opening Day	27 Sep 20	Fitzroy Bay	17 Oct 20
EMYMBC Opening Day	10 Oct 20	Kapiti-Chetwodes-Ship Cove	4 Dec 20
Fleet championship series		Cook Strait Classic	19 Dec 20
RPNYC Opening Day	19 Sep 20	Nelson	22 Jan 21
LBYC Opening Day	27 Sep 20	Catherine Cove to Wellington	6 Feb 21
EMYMBC Opening Day	10 Oct 20	Island Bay	27 Mar 21
Fitzroy Bay	17 Oct 20	Offshore open series	
Reserve race day	19 Dec 20	Ship Cove	5 Dec 20
Fleet race day	23 Jan 21	Offshore two-handed series	
Island Bay	27 Mar 21	Brothers	3 Mar 21
Divisional championship series		Special series	
Spring race day 1	31 Oct 20	Special race day	3 Oct 20
Spring race day 2	7 Nov 20	Latitude race	5 Dec 20
Spring race day 3	14 Nov 20	Three clubs' race	16 Jan 21
Spring race day 4	21 Nov 20	Veterans' race	6 Feb 21
Summer race day 1	30 Jan 21	Anzac Day race	25 Apr 21
Summer race day 2	13 Feb 21	Commodore's Trophy	1 May 21
Autumn race day 1	27 Feb 21	Ambassador's Trophy	1 May 21
Autumn race day 2	6 Mar 21	Social series	
Alan Martin race day 1	13 Mar 21	Christmas party social sail	28 Nov 20
Alan Martin race day 2	10 Apr 21	Waitangi Day social sail	8 Feb 21
Alan Martin race day 3	17 Apr 21	Sounds Easter cruise	1-5 Apr 21
Two-handed series		Twilight series	
Race day 1	31 Oct 20	Race day 1	13 Jan 21
Race day 2	7 Nov 20	Race day 2	20 Jan 21
Race day 3	14 Nov 20	Race day 3	27 Jan 21
Race day 4	21 Nov 20	Race day 4	3 Feb 21
Race day 5	30 Jan 21	Rum series	
Race day 6	13 Feb 21	Race day 1	2 Oct 20
Race day 7	27 Feb 21	Race day 2	9 Oct 20
Race day 8	6 Mar 21	Race day 3	16 Oct 20
Race day 9	13 Mar 21	Race day 4	23 Oct 20
Race day 10	10 Apr 21	Race day 5	30 Oct 20
Race day 11	17 Apr 21	Race day 6	6 Nov 20
Port Nicholson Regatta 18-21 Feb 21		Race day 7	13 Nov 20
		Race day 8	20 Nov 20
		Race day 9	27 Nov 20

Rum series continued		Winter series	
Race day 10	4 Dec 20	Race day 1 / Navy Cup	13 Jun 21
Race day 11	11 Dec 20	Race day 2	27 Jun 21
Race day 12	18 Dec 20	Race day 3	11 Jul 21
Race day 13	8 Jan 21	Race day 4	25 Jul 21
Race day 14	15 Jan 21	Race day 5	8 Aug 21
Race day 15	22 Jan 21	Winter two-handed series	
Race day 16	29 Jan 21	Race day 1	12 Jun 21
Race day 17	5 Feb 21	Race day 2	10 Jul 21
Race day 18	12 Feb 21	Race day 3	7 Aug 21
Race day 19	26 Feb 21		
Race day 20	5 Mar 21		
Race day 21	12 Mar 21		
Race day 22	19 Mar 21		
Race day 23	26 Mar 21		



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2020-2021 courses

Course		Distance, NM
1	S ... 1P ... 3P ... F	
2	S ... 1P ... 3P ... 1P ... F	
3	S ... 1P ... 3P ... 1P ... 3P ... F	
4	S ... 1P ... 3P ... 1P ... 3P ... 1P ... F	
5	S ... 1P ... 3P ... 1P ... 3P ... 1P ... 3P ... F	
6	S ... 2P ... 3P ... F	
7	S ... 2P ... 3P ... 2P ... F	
8	S ... 2P ... 3P ... 2P ... 3P ... F	
9	S ... 2P ... 3P ... 2P ... 3P ... 2P ... F	
10	S ... 2P ... 3P ... 2P ... 3P ... 2P ... 3P ... F	
11	S ... 1P ... 3S/3P ... F	
12	S ... 1P ... 3S/3P ... 1P ... F	
13	S ... 1P ... 3S/3P ... 1P ... 3S/3P ... F	
14	S ... 1P ... 3S/3P ... 1P ... 3S/3P ... 1P ... F	
15	S ... 1P ... 3S/3P ... 1P ... 3S/3P ... 1P ... 3S/3P ... F	
16	S ... 1P ... 2P ... 3P ... 1P ... F	
17	S ... 1P ... 2P ... 3P ... 1P ... 2P ... 3P ... 1P ... F	
18	S ... 1P ... 2P ... 3P ... 1P ... 3P ... 1P ... 2P ... 3P ... 1P ... F	
19	SR ... 11P ... FR	7.2
20	SR ... 11S ... 5S ... FR	8.1
21	SR ... 25P ... 4P ... FR	8.2
22	SR ... 25P ... 5P ... FR	9.6
23	SR ... 25P ... FR	4.9
24	SR ... 4P ... FR	4.7
25	SR ... 4S ... 25S ... FR	8.2
26	SR ... 4S ... 5S ... FR	7.5
27	SR ... 5P ... 11P ... FR	8.1
28	SR ... 5P ... 4P ... FR	7.5
29	SR ... 5P ... FR	6.9
30	SR ... 5S ... 25S ... FR	8.7
31	SR ... 5S ... FR	6.9
32	SR ... 9P ... 4P ... 9P ... 8P ... 4P ... 9S ... FR	10.0
33	SR ... 9P ... 4S ... 25S ... 9P ... FR	8.5
34	SR ... 9P ... 4S ... 8P ... 4S ... 8P ... 4P ... 9S ... FR	14.4
35	SR ... 9P ... 4S ... 9S ... FR	5.2
36	SR ... 9S ... 25P ... 4P ... 9S ... FR	8.5

Courses

Course	Distance, NM
37 SR ... 9S ... 8P ... 4P ... 8P ... 9P ... FR	7.5
38 SR ... 9S ... 8P ... 4P ... 9P ... 8P ... 4P ... FR	10.9
39 SR ... 6S ... 7S ... 14S ... 13S ... 7P ... FR	17.8
40 SR ... 11S ... 6S ... 7S ... 14S ... 13S ... 7P ... FR	21.4
41 SR ... 7S ... 13P ... 14P ... 7P ... 6P ... FR	17.8
42 SR ... 7S ... 13P ... 14P ... 7P ... 6P ... 11P ... FR	21.4
43 SR ... 4S ... 28S ... FR	18.5
44 SR ... 28S ... 14S ... 13S ... 7P ... FR	20.0
45 SR ... 4S ... 28S ... 14S ... 13S ... 7P ... FR	22.4
46 SR ... 28P ... 5P ... FR	19.3
47 SR ... 7S ... 13P ... 14P ... 28P ... FR	19.0
48 SR ... 7S ... 13P ... 14P ... 28P ... 5P ... FR	23.2
49 SJ ... 4S ... 10P ... 5P ... 8S ... FJ	11.1
50 SJ ... 4S ... 10P ... 11P ... 8S ... FJ	12.5
51 SJ ... 4S ... 6P ... 11P ... 8S ... FJ	14.4
52 SJ ... 8P ... 5S ... 10S ... 4P ... FJ	11.1
53 SJ ... 8P ... 11S ... 10S ... 4P ... FJ	12.5
54 SJ ... 8P ... 11S ... 6S ... 4P ... FJ	14.4
55 SJ ... 8P ... 4S ... 15S ... 4P ... FJ	8.1
56 SJ ... 8P ... 4S ... 15S ... 4S ... 15S ... 4P ... FJ	11.5
57 SJ ... 8P ... 4S ... 15S ... 4S ... 15S ... 4P ... 8P ... FJ	12.2
58 SJ ... 11S ... 12S ... 5P ... FJ	11.1
59 SJ ... 11S ... 12S ... 5P ... 10S ... 5P ... FJ	16.5
60 SJ ... 11S ... 12S ... 5P ... 10S ... 11P ... FJ	18.0
61 SJ ... 4S ... 10P ... 5P ... FR	11.4
62 SJ ... 4S ... 10P ... 5P ... 8S ... FR	11.9
63 SJ ... 4S ... 6P ... 5P ... 8S ... 4P ... FR	17.2
64 SJ ... 4S ... 10P ... 5P ... 8S ... 4P ... FR	15.4
65 SJ ... 4S ... 10P ... 11P ... 8S ... 4P ... FR	16.7
66 SJ ... 4S ... 6P ... 11P ... 8S ... 4P ... FR	18.6
67 SJ ... 8P ... 5S ... 10S ... 4P ... FR	11.5
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69 SJ ... 8P ... 11S ... 6S ... 4P ... FR	14.7
70 SJ ... 8P ... 5S ... 6S ... 4P ... FR	13.3
71 SJ ... 8P ... 5S ... 10S ... 4P ... 8P ... 4P ... FR	16.1
72 SJ ... 8P ... 5S ... 6S ... 4P ... 8P ... 4P ... FR	18.0

Harbour mark descriptions and locations

No 1	Laid windward mark: cylindrical orange or white buoy with number affixed
No 2	Laid windward or wing mark: cylindrical orange or white buoy with number affixed
No 3	Laid leeward mark: cylindrical orange or white buoy with number affixed
No 4	Ngauranga buoy
No 5	Somes Island buoy
No 6	Number One Leading Light (41 19.060S 174 51.350E)
No 7	Barrett Reef buoy (41 21.140S 174 50.110E)
No 8	Evans Bay buoy – located anywhere in Evans Bay
No 9	Point Jerningham buoy – laid in the vicinity of Point Jerningham
No 10	Falcon Shoal buoy
No 11	Korokoro buoy
No 12	Ward Island buoy
No 13	Island Bay Inner buoy – laid between Barrett Reef and Island Bay
No 14	Island Bay Outer buoy – laid between Barrett Reef and Island Bay
No 15	Point Halswell buoy – laid in the vicinity of Point Halswell
No 17	Mahina Bay buoy
No 18	Days Bay buoy
No 19	Petone Wharf buoy
No 20	Northern Somes Island buoy
No 21	Seaview buoy
No 23	Jessie Street buoy
No 24	South Eastern Somes Island buoy
No 25	Fixed light ('Shoal Pile') at southern end of Evans Bay (41 18.610S 174 48.430E)
No 27	South Somes buoy – laid to the south of Somes Island
No 28	Baring Head buoy – laid in the vicinity of Baring Head

Starting/finishing mark: when used, will be yellow cylindrical buoys.

Inner distance mark: when used, will be a spherical orange or red buoy.

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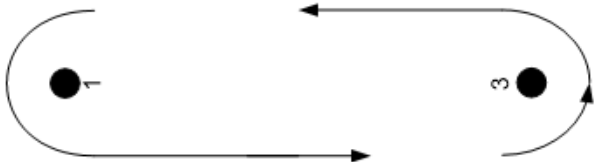
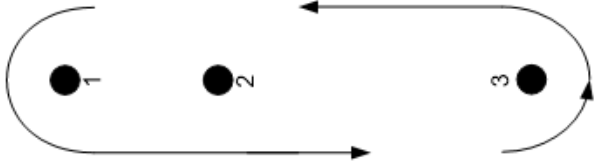
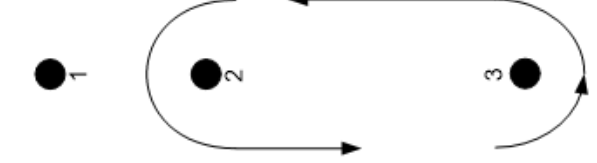

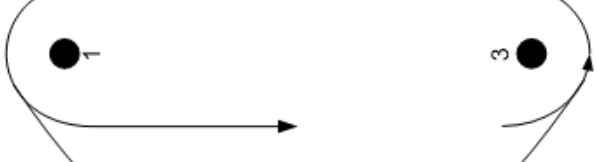
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- All marks may have no number or the actual mark number affixed.
- Refer to sailing instruction 11 for areas that are obstructions.
- If the Falcon Shoal Buoy is missing or unfixed, Falcon Shoal light becomes the mark.



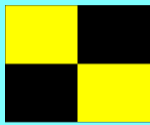

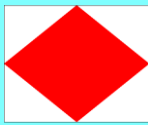

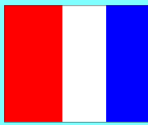
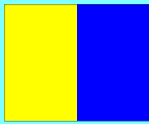

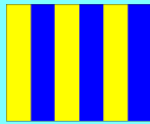
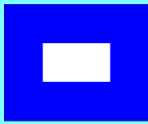
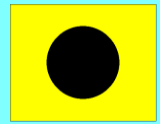




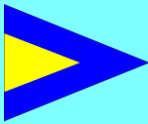





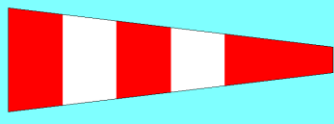

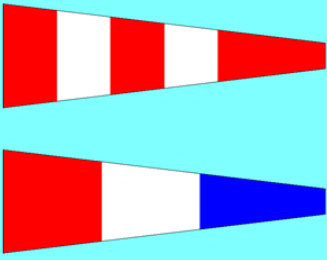
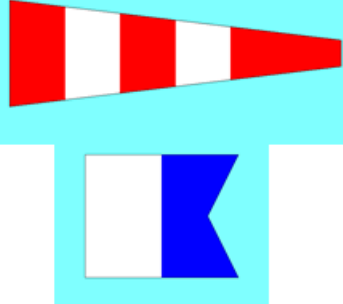
Course abbreviations

SR	Starting line at Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club
SJ	Starting line at Pt Jerningham
FR	Finishing line at Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club
FJ	Finishing line at Pt Jerningham
S	Starting line on the water (race committee boat)
F	Finishing line on the water (race committee boat)
nS	Mark rounding – leave the mark to starboard, where ‘n’ denotes the mark number
nP	Mark rounding – leave the mark to port, where ‘n’ denotes the mark number

Rounding marks for courses 1-18

	Courses 1-5
	Courses 1-5
	Courses 6-10
	Courses 11-15
	Courses 16-18

Race signals

Start sequence 5 min: Sound 4 min: Sound 1 min: Long sound Start: Sound	 L Notice to competitors	 Y Rule 40 in effect Wear a PFD	 F Special course	 Sailing to commence shortly (refer Sis)	 T Combined
 K Division 1	 E Division 2	 G Division 3	 P Preparatory signal	 I Rule 30.1 in effect Round the ends	 Z Rule 30.2 in effect 20% penalty
 U Rule 30.3 in effect Disqualification	 Black flag Rule 30.4 in effect Disqualification	 X Individual recall	 First substitute General recall	 M Replacement mark (refer SIs and rule 34)	 C Next mark position is changed
 S Shorten course Finish at this mark (refer SIs and rule 32.2)	 V Shorten course Proceed to finish (refer SIs and rule 32.2)	 Blue flag Finish boat in position	 AP All races not started are postponed	 N All started races are abandoned. Return to start area.	
AP over a numeral pennant 1-9 A postponement of 1-9 hours from the scheduled starting time	 AP over numeral pennant 3 Example of AP over a numeral pennant. In this instance racing is postponed for three hours from the scheduled time.		 AP over A Races not started are postponed. No more racing today.		



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