

Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club

2015–2016 Offshore Series

30 October 2015–13 May 2016

Race Appendix: Latitude Race

This appendix is for yachts that are competing in the Offshore Series. Other yachts should refer to the Latitude Race sailing instructions.

1 Racing Areas

Racing shall take place in Wellington Harbour and Cook Strait.

2 Course

2.1 The courses will appear in a notice to competitors. The courses will require yachts to start, cross a specific latitude, and then finish. The latitude which a yacht must cross will be determined by the yacht's handicap.

2.2 After crossing the required latitude, yachts must take a photograph of their GPS screen showing a latitude below the latitude they must cross, and provide the photograph to the Race Committee if asked to do so.

2.3 Yachts shall not sail through the following areas, which shall also be obstructions:

- (a) between the Point Jerningham Light and the nearest point of land;
- (b) between the Steeple Rock Light and Steeple Rock; or
- (c) between Thoms Rock and the nearest point of land.

3 The Start

3.1 The starting line is an extension of the line between the start box flagpole and the light at the outer end of the Clyde Quay Boat Harbour entrance, bearing approximately 155°–335°M.

3.2 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 and/or sail number on VHF channel 62. Failure to make a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

4 The Finish

4.1 The finishing line is an extension of the line between the start box flagpole and the light at the outer end of the Clyde Quay Boat Harbour entrance, bearing approximately 155°–335°M.

4.2 Yachts will record their own finishing time using GPS as the time source. If the Race Committee records a finishing time for a yacht, then the Race Committee's time will be used.

4.3 Any yacht that does not have a finishing time taken by the Race Committee and does submit a finish declaration by email by 1700 on Monday 18 April 2016 shall be deemed not to have finished (and will thus be scored DNF without a hearing). This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

5 Scoring

5.1 General Handicap placing will be determined by yachts' finishing order.

5.2 Line honours placing will be determined by calculating an adjusted elapsed time:

Elapsed time / Club TCF

5.3 IRC and PHRF corrected times will be calculated as follows:

Elapsed time / Club TCF * IRC TCF

Elapsed time / Club TCF * PHRF TCF

5.4 Instructions 5.1-5.3 change the Offshore Sailing Instructions.