

Harken New Zealand Secondary Schools National Keelboat Championships 2022

8th-10th April 2022

The Organising Authority is the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron
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Notice of Race (NoR)

AMENDMENTS

A1 4.5, 5.2 – (1st March 2022)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 2 category 5 shall apply.
- 1.3 A correctly fitted buoyancy aid/lifejacket shall be worn at all times whilst on the water.
- 1.4 On-water umpiring will be used for this event. Addendum U will as attached to the supplementary sailing instructions will apply.
- 1.5 The event will be sailed in up to 10 Elliott 7 yachts as provided by the OA and allocated by a draw. These boats will be rigged and equipped as closely as possible to each other, to the satisfaction of the OA. Competitors shall not make any alterations to the boats and may only add or remove equipment specified in the sailing instructions.
- 1.6 The Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron Covid Policy will apply. The policy can be found here <https://www.rnzys.org.nz/racedoc-course-info/>

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on Monday 4th April 2022 on the RNZYS website www.rnzys.org.nz
- 2.2 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the RNZYS website.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://www.rnzys.org.nz/rnzys-events/nz-keelboat-nationals/>
- 3.2 [DP] All boats will be provided with a VHF radio, the race management channel will be allocated in the SSI's any emergency to be communicated over channel 16.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SSIs.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This does not include any communication with the race committee over the designated race channel.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open for up to 20 New Zealand Secondary School teams consisting of four or five sailors, if more than 20 team enter preference will be given to one team per school.
- 4.2 All team members (helm and crew) shall be a full time current students of the school they are representing.
- 4.3 All skippers and crew shall be financial members of a yacht club affiliated to their National Authority
- 4.4 Composite school teams may be accepted at the discretion of the OA. A composite school team will be unable to finish in the top 3 overall placings in the Gold Fleet.

- 4.5 Team may enter by filling out an expression of interest online form found <https://www.rnzys.org.nz/rnzys-events/harken-schools-champs/> before 15th March 4th March 2022
- 4.6 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 4.7 A minimum of 6 entries are required for the winner to be recognised as National Champion by Yachting New Zealand.
- 4.8 In the event of a registered crew member (or helmsman) being unable to continue the Race Committee may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other replacement.

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee, which includes the boat charter for race days, plus prize giving dinner for team members is \$400 (inc Gst) per team
- 5.2 The non-refundable entry fee deposit of \$200 (including GST) per school team must be paid following an entry expression of interest before 1700hrs Monday 15th March 4th March 2022. The remaining \$200 (including GST) per school team must be received before 1700hrs Thursday 1st April 2022
- 5.3 Extra tickets for the prize giving dinner can be purchased for \$20 per person
- 5.4 Extra training session can be organised with RNZYS at the schools/teams expense.
- 5.5 An initial damage deposit form for NZ\$1,000 shall be confirmed at or before registration. An at fault skipper(s) limit of liability in an incident is the sum of \$1,000 per boat involved in the incident. In the event that a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it will require the deposit be reinstated to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event. Any deposit remaining after the event will be refunded within 10 days of the finish of the event.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 The maximum number of crew, including the helm, shall be five (5) and the maximum crew weight is 350kg.

7 ADVERTISING

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

- 8.1 The confirmed Racing Schedule will be outline in the SSI's with the confirmed number of teams entered. The regatta is expected to consist of a Qualifying/seeding series and a Final series.
- Qualifying Series A (Friday) Up to six races are scheduled (the top five teams will qualify for the GOLD fleet and the remaining teams will quality for the SILVER fleet.
- Qualifying Series B (Saturday) Up to six races are scheduled (the top five teams will qualify for the GOLD fleet and the remaining teams will quality for the SILVER fleet.
- Final Series (Sunday) Up to four races are scheduled for the SILVER fleet and up to four races are scheduled for the GOLD fleet. The number of races may be reduced at the discretion of the OA to fit the schedule.

9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 The below is an expected schedule of events, and will be confirmed in the SSI's with confirmed number of teams entered.

Date	Time	Item	Races	Location
8 th April	0900	Registration & Briefing Group A		RNZYS
	1000	Racing Qualifying A	Up to 6 Races	
	1600 approx.	Debriefing		RNZYS
9 th April	0900	Registration & Briefing Group B		RNZYS
	1000	Racing Qualifying B	Up to 6 Races	
	1600 approx.	Debriefing		RNZYS
10 th April	0900	Briefing		RNZYS
	1000	Racing Silver Fleet	Up to 4 Races	
		Racing Gold Fleet	Up to 4 Races	
	1600 approx.	Prizegiving BBQ		RNZYS

9.2 Number of races:

Class	Total Number Scheduled per team	Races per Day Scheduled per team	Races per day maximum per team	Target time Minutes
Elliott 7	10	6 Qualifying, 4 finals	6	20

9.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1000

9.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1600

10 EQUIPMENT

10.1 The Regatta will be raced in up to ten (10) Elliott 7 keelboats supplied by the OA

10.2 Symmetrical spinnakers will be used for this event

11 VENUE

11.1 The regatta will be based out of the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron.

11.2 The intended racing area is on the Waitemata Harbour in front of the RNZYS or any other nearby location deemed suitable by the Race Officer.

12 COURSES

12.1 The courses will be windward/leeward courses, with a gate as the bottom mark.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 Addendum U for on water umpiring will apply, this will be attached to the SSI's.

14 SCORING

14.1 Qualifying Rounds A & B One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
Final Series One (1) race is required to be completed for the Gold & Silver Fleet's to constitute a series.

14.2 Overall placings will be decided by finishing positions in the Finals Series. Points from the qualifying series will not count towards overall placings, unless there is no racing in the final series.

14.3 Teams must race in 5 races for the event to be recognised as a National championship by Yachting New Zealand

15 BERTHING

15.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places as instructed by the OA.

16 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

16.1 Keelboats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means

17 COVID CANCELLATION

17.1 Decision making on the event in relation to Covid restrictions will be made according to the local Auckland status at the time.

If it becomes necessary to cancel the event, payments made to RNZYS by competitors in relation to the event will be refunded.

18 RISK STATEMENT

18.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

- 18.2 All those taking part in RNZYS races or any other sailing events controlled by the RNZYS, as between the RNZYS and each of those so taking part, do so at their own risk and responsibility. The RNZYS, and any sponsor associated with the event has no liability for any damage, loss or any penalty suffered by any boat crew or any other person taking part in such events. The RNZYS is not responsible for sufficiency/adequacy of an entry's equipment or the competence of its skipper or crew. The RNZYS reserves the right in its sole and uncontrolled discretion to refuse any entry.

19 INSURANCE

- 19.1 Each boat is insured with RNZYS the skipper's damage deposit is the limit of liability per incident. Personal liability and medical insurance is responsibility of the skippers and crew.

20 PRIZES

- 20.1 The winner of the GOLD fleet will be awarded the HARKEN Schools Regatta Trophy.
20.2 The winning team will receive entry to the 2022 Auckland Match Racing Championships held in August 2022 and the 2022 Harken New Zealand Match Racing National Championships held in October 2022.
20.3 Teams finishing in second and third place in the Gold Fleet will receive entry to the Auckland Match Racing Championships.

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

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