

ROYAL PORT NICHOLSON YACHT CLUB

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CENTREPORT INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MATCH RACING CHAMPIONSHIPS

12-16 February 2020 ROYAL PORT NICHOLSON YACHT CLUB NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club (RPNYC).

2. VENUE

The venue will be the Wellington Harbour adjacent to Oriental Bay, Wellington, New Zealand.

3. EVENT GRADING

- 3.1 The event is an ISAF Grade 3 event.
- 3.2 This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Racing Advisory Board. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

- (a) Up to eight teams will be invited to participate in the event. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.
- (b) The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- (c) To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing (email is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- (d) All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing Elgibility Code, regulation 19.2.
- (e) All competitors shall have a World Sailing Sailor ID (obtained by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor). Skippers shall inform the OA of their ISAF Sailor ID at registration.
- (f) All competitors shall be under 23 years of age as at 12th February 2020.
- (g) To be eligible to compete in this event each entrant and crew member shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the entrant and crew member's national authority.

5 ENTRIES

- Entries will accepted from invited youth skippers who have filled out an Expression of Interest by Sunday 12 January. If you wish to be invited please register as soon as possible with the OA by completing an Expression of Interest form found online here.
- 5.2 The team shall be entered on completion of registration and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made by credit card, electronic funds transfer or cash.
- 5.3 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee of \$NZD1250 shall be paid by 1700hrs NZT Sunday 26th January 2020. Failure to pay the fee by this date makes the entry ineligible.

- 5.4 Damage Deposit
 - (a) An initial damage deposit of \$NZD1000 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the team as a result of any one incident.
 - (b) The damage deposit is the limit of liability for each boat for each incident. For multiple boat collisions the skipper(s) at fault will be liable for \$1000.00 per boat and may be required to pay the damage deposit for each boat.
 - (b) In the event of a deduction from the damage deposit being made, the OA may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the team will be permitted to continue in the event.
 - (c) Any remaining deposit at the conclusion of the event will be refunded within 10 days of the event.

6 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

6.1 The event will be held from Wednesday 12th – Sunday 16th February 2020

Wednesday 12 February

1000-1700hrs Registration and Crew Weigh-in

1200-1400hrs Practice session 1500-1700hrs Practice session 1800hrs First briefing

Thursday 13 - Sunday 16 February

0730-0830hrs Breakfast
0830hrs Daily Briefing

0953hrs First Attention Signal

Sunday 16 February

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- 6.2 On Sunday 16th February no attention signal will be made after 1600hrs.
- 6.3 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:
 - (a) Initial briefing for skippers.
 - (b) Daily briefing for skippers.
 - (c) Prize giving

6.4 Schedule and Prize-giving may be amended subject to weather or time constraints.

7 RULES

- (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017 2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix C
- (b) The Notice of Race including any amendments.
- (c) The Sailing Instructions (available at registration) and any amendments.
- (d) The rules for the handling of boats will apply for the event and any practice sailing.
- (e) All sailors shall wear a personal floatation when aboard the Elliot 6 yachts and when not docked.
- (f) Class rules will not apply.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in Elliot 6 Class Boat provided by the OA.
- (b) Four boats will be provided.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, jib, symmetrical spinnaker
- (d) Boats will be allocated by a draw by the Race Committee for each round robin prior to the regatta, and prior to each elimination round.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 3 or 4. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 262.5kg, when wearing at least shorts and a t-shirt.
- (c) Crew weight may be checked during the regatta. At any reweighing the total weight is increased by 10 kg. Any crew weighing in excess of this increased limit shall not be penalized, but they shall reduce their weight to the increased weight limit before racing again
- (d) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise an original crewmember to substitute.
- (e) When a registered crew is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise a substitute, temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10 EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The event will consist of the following stages:
 - Stage 1- Two Round Robins
 - Stage 2- Semi Finals
 - Stage 3- Finals
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any stage, when weather conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

11 COURSE

- (a) The intended course will be windward/leeward with all marks rounding to starboard and a downwind finish.
- (b) The intended course area will be in the vicinity of Wellington Harbour adjacent to Oriental Bay, Wellington, New Zealand.

12 ADVERTISING

- (a) Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- (b) Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

13 PRIZES

- (a) The principal prize for first place will be the CentrePort International Youth Match Racing Cup.
- (b) The OA may reduce a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

14 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

The OA shall have the right to use any video, images and sounds recorded during the event free of charge.

15 COACH BOATS

- (a) Coach boats are not permitted.
- (b) A boat will be provided for coaches to be on the water during racing.

16 ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

The OA will provide breakfasts and lunches to all competitors on the days that they are racing. RPNYC will endeavour to provide accommodation, if requested by national and international competitors.

17 DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in any sailing events controlled by RPNYC do so at their own risk and responsibility. The RPNYC, WYST, its sponsors and their respective officers, volunteers and members have no liability for any damage, loss or any penalty suffered by any boat crew or any other person taking part in such events, or be responsible for the competence of a skipper or crew. RPNYC reserves the right in its sole and uncontrolled discretion to refuse any entry.

18 CONTACT

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