



ROYAL PORT NICHOLSON YACHT CLUB

Established 1883

New Zealand Youth Match Racing Nationals 2016

28th September-2nd October 2016

Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club, Wellington

Notice of Race

1.0 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be the Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club.

2.0 VENUE

The venue will be RPNYC, 103 Oriental Parade, Wellington, New Zealand. The racing will be held in the inner Wellington Harbour.

3.0 EVENT GRADING

The event is a World Sailing Grade 3 event. This grading is subject to review by world sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4.0 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

4.1 The event will be held from Wednesday 28th September-Sunday 2nd October 2016.

- (a) The Race office is the RPNYC Ward Room.
- (b) Registration will be open from 1100hrs until 1730hrs.
- (c) Two practice session times will be available from 1200hrs-1400hrs and 1500hrs-1700hrs
- (d) First briefing will be at 1800hrs on Wednesday 28th September.
- (e) First meeting with umpires will follow the first briefing.
- (f) Racing days will be from Thursday 29th September to Sunday 2nd October.
- (f) Daily skippers briefing will be held at 0830hrs each race day.
- (g) Time of the first race each day will be 0953hrs.
- (h) Prize giving ceremony will be on Sunday 2nd October after racing has concluded.

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Initial briefing for skippers and crews
- (b) Daily briefing, for skippers.
- (c) Prize giving.

5.0 SKIPPER'S ELIGIBILITY

- (a) 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 or excused by the OA.
- (c) To remain eligible, a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing (fax or e-mail 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 Eligibility Code, regulation 19.2.

- (e) All skippers shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.
- (f) All competitors shall be under 23 years of age as at 2nd October 2016.
- (g) To be eligible to compete in this event each entrant and crew member shall be a financial member of a club recognized by the entrant and crew member's national authority.

6.0 ENTRIES

6.1 The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew-weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made by credit card, cash, cheque or online transfer.

6.2 A non-refundable entry fee of NZ\$900.00 shall be payable by 1700hrs on Monday 29th August 2016.

6.3 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of \$NZ1000 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (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 skipper 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.

6.4 Insurance

All competitors are required to have adequate third party insurance.

7.0 RULES

- (a) The event will be governed by the RRS 2013-2016, including App. 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 whilst aboard the Elliott 6 and changeover boats a personal flotation device approved by their national governing body.

8.0 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in Elliott 6 Class Boats provided by the OA.
- (b) Four boats will be provided.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat:
Mainsail, Jib and Spinnaker.
- (d) Boats will be allocated by a draw by the OA prior to the regatta.

9.0 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The total 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 re-weighing 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 crew member to substitute.
- (e) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10.0 EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The event format will consist of the following stages:
 - Stage 1 - Two round robins
 - Stage 2 - Fifth/Sixth place sail off
 - Stage 3 - Semi Finals
(four highest scoring skippers after Stage 1)
 - Stage 4 -Third/Fourth Place Petit Final
 - Stage 5- First/Second Place Grand Final
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

11.0 COURSE

- (a) The intended course will be windward/leeward with all marks rounded to starboard and a downwind finish.
- (b) The intended course area will be the inner Harbour, Wellington, New Zealand.

12.0 ADVERTISING

- (a) Each boat may 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).

13.0 PRIZES

- (a) The principal prize for first place will be the Warren "Wolfie" Williams trophy and the title of National Youth Match Racing Champion 2016.
- (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.

14.0 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

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

15.0 COACH BOATS

- (a) The OA will provide a coach boat from which coaches may observe racing and communicate with their teams between matches.
- (b) Individual coach boats and berthage will not be permitted.

16.0 DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in RPNYC races or any other sailing events controlled by the RPNYC, as between the RPNYC and each of those so taking part, do so

at their own risk and responsibility and the RPNYC 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 RPNYC reserves the right in its sole and uncontrolled discretion to refuse any entry.

17.0 INVITATIONS

Entries will only be accepted from invited youth skippers. If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by completing an Expression of Interest form.

18.0 FURTHER INFORMATION

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