



ROYAL NEW ZEALAND YACHT SQUADRON



# MRX MASTERS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS NOTICE OF RACE

**28<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019**

The Organising Authority is the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron  
181 Westhaven Drive, Westhaven, Auckland 1011  
in conjunction with the MRX Yachting  
Tel: 09 360 6800 | VHF: CH 17

## **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The Race will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The Farr MRX Class Rules shall apply
- 1.3 The YNZ Safety Regulations Part II, Category 5 shall apply.
- 1.4 The Regatta will be sailed in the Farr MRX Yachts as provided by MRX Yachting Limited and allocated by ballot. 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

## **2 ADVERTISING**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

## **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to helmsman who are over the age of 60 as of the 31<sup>st</sup> of Dec 2019, and crews over the age of 45 as of the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2019.
- 3.2 Eligible helmsman may enter on line at [www.rnzys.org.nz](http://www.rnzys.org.nz).
- 3.3 To be eligible to compete in this event each entrant and crew member shall be a financial member of a Yacht Club recognised by the entrant and crew member's national authority.
- 3.4 Up to 11 boats will be supplied for racing. Up to 22 entries will be accepted and will take place in rotating seeded pools.
- 3.7 Sailing crews shall have a crew of 6 including the helmsman. A list of crew members, including up to two nominated reserves, shall be submitted to the OA at registration.
- 3.8 Damage Deposit:
  - (a) An initial damage deposit form for NZD\$3,000 shall be completed at registration unless extended by the OA.
  - (b) An at fault skipper(s) limit of liability in an incident is the sum of NZD \$3,000.



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- (c) In the event that a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it will require that the deposit be reinstated to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- 3.9 After the preparatory signal for a race the registered skipper shall be helming and shall not leave the helm, except in an emergency.
- 3.10 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the Race Committee (RC) may authorise an original crew member to substitute. When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the RC may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other replacement.

#### 4 FEES

Eligible skippers may enter by completing an entry form online at [www.rnzys.org.nz](http://www.rnzys.org.nz). Race entry fee is non-refundable \$300.00 – payable on entry. A Charter Fee is also required.

- a. Early Bird Charter Fee is \$1,000.00 (50% deposit paid 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019, balance paid by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019)
- b. Late Entry Charter Fee is \$1500.00 (After 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019)

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 Briefing & Registration: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 1800 – RNZYS

- 5.2 Dates of Racing:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Races</u>	<u>Start Time</u>
Friday, 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	up to 4 (w/l) 2 Harbour	1025
Saturday, 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	up to 4 (w/l) 2 Harbour	1025
Sunday, 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2019	up to 4 (w/l) 2 Harbour	1025

- 5.3 A total of twelve (12) W/L races are scheduled.
- 5.4 One or Two (1 or 2) Harbour course may be included each day.
- 5.5 No race shall start after 1600hrs on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

#### 6 MEASUREMENT

The event will be run in the Farr MRX fleet, and allocated at a boat draw on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

#### 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S and the Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSI) that will be posted on the RNZYS website on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

#### 8 VENUE

The races will be held in the Waitemata Harbour, or where the Race Officer deems suitable.

#### 9 COURSES

##### Windward Leeward:

The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed.

##### Harbour Course:

Course sheets will be provided with the Sailing Instructions.



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## **10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **11 SCORING**

11.1 Five (5) races are required to constitute a regatta.

11.3 No score will be excluded until six (6) races have been completed, then a boat's worst (1) score will be excluded.

11.4 Once ten (10) races have been completed, then a boat's worst two (2) scores will be excluded.

## **12. SUPPORT BOATS**

12.1 Team support boats will be allowed.

## **13 BERTHING**

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places on the dock in Westhaven Marina.

## **14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

All boats must remain in the water during the regatta and be so at least 18 hours before the regatta starts, unless written permission is given by the Race Committee.

## **15 NO DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

There will be no cleaning of a boat's hull during the regatta

## **16 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

16.1 Yachts (and support boats) shall maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 17. The failure to receive a radio message from the Race Committee will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

16.3 All radio communications between competitors and the Race Committee shall be through VHF Channel 17.

16.4 Yachts must communicate with the Race Committee, if withdrawing from the race either via VHF Channel 17.

## **17 PRIZES**

17.1 Prizegiving will be held no earlier than 1800 hours in the Quarterdeck Restaurant after racing on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

17.2 The MRX Masters National Championship will be decided by overall points scored on Line. Places will also be awarded for 2nd and 3rd overall.

## **18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

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 and the RNZYS and any sponsor associated with this 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 and any sponsor associated with this event shall not be responsible for the sea-worthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted and/or the sufficiency and/or adequacy of its equipment or the competence of its skipper or crew. The RNZYS reserves the right in its sole and uncontrolled discretion to refuse any entry. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.



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The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**19 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact the RNZYS Sailing Office on 09 360 6809 or via email: [raceoffice@rnzys.org.nz](mailto:raceoffice@rnzys.org.nz).

**Date:** 29 January 2019



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## ATTACHMENT A – WINDWARD/LEEWARD COURSES

RRS Appendix S - Course Diagram L or LA

### Course 1:

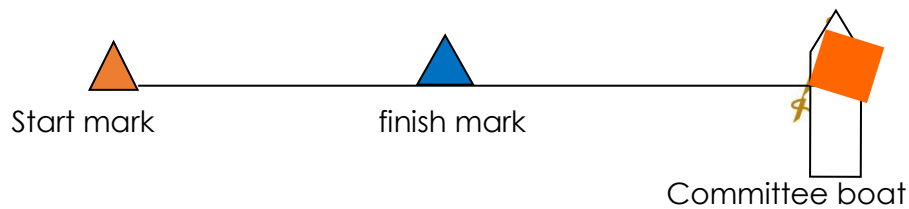
Start – Mark 1 – Mark 1a – Finish

### Course 2:

Start – Mark 1 – Mark 1a – 2s/2p – Mark 1 – Mark 1a – Finish

**All mark rounding's to Port.**

**When a Gate is laid, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.**



### **CHANGE OF COURSE**

For a change of course, a single green buoy will be used to replace mark 1. 