



Course Outline

RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINARS

Duration: 2 days (over a weekend)

Cost: Free

Prerequisite to appointment/revalidation as a Club or National Race Officer

Race management seminars aim to provide the knowledge and skills required to ensure quality, consistent and fair race management for sailors. They are suitable for anyone interested in learning or improving the knowledge and skills required to undertake any of the on the water duties to run round the buoys type yacht races.

The course is suitable for beginners who want to know more, those with some experience on start boat or mark boat, those who have some experience as a race officer and wish to seek qualification as a Club Race Officer or National Race Officer and those very experienced wishing to revalidate. It is expected that experienced members will assist sharing their knowledge during the seminars.

For those who wish to take the test to gain Club/ National Race Officer status, there is an opportunity at the end of the seminar.

Sessions will include:

- Terminology, governing rules, event structure, Notice of Race and sailing instructions.
- Types of courses and aids to assist course laying.
- The issues and mitigations when starting races
- Possible race management interventions during a race
- Finishing issues and scoring
- Common judgment calls and possible solutions

Prior Preparation:

- Obtain a Racing Rules of Sailing book and familiarise yourself with:
 - o RACE SIGNALS (pages 6&7) and
 - o PART 3 Conduct of a Race (page 29-34)
- We recommend you complete [Yachting NZ's online learning course](#) "Start...Officiating".

Hardcopies of RRS can be purchased from Yachting NZ online shop
<https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/shop>

RACING RULES OF SAILING 2017-2020 Online version
[http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/WorldSailingRRS20172020-\[20946\].pdf](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/WorldSailingRRS20172020-[20946].pdf)