

2020/2021 Aon National Youth Programme

Aon National Youth Clinics are focused on supporting the best young New Zealand sailors working towards being capable of competing for medals at international events and world championships.

This training enables sailors from different clubs and regions an opportunity to:

- Share information on set-up/technique
- Access knowledge and advice from coaches and support staff
- Build bonds (sailors, parents and coaches) and plans before international events
- Test their skills against their peers
- Push each other hard

Eligibility

Before entering the programme, Sailors need to be signed off as having met the eligibility requirements of the programme.

There requirements are:

1. Assessed to have a basic competency in the class and of a sufficient level to take part safely and at the desired level of the clinics. Sailors must be confident in controlling their boat in winds up to 25 knots, so coaches do not get diverted to be safety boats during training.
2. Attended a recognised eligibility event where their skills can be assessed by a Yachting New Zealand coach.

These events include:

- Aon new to Youth Classes Clinic
- Regional Aon Youth Clinics
- Oceanbridge NZL Sailing Regatta
- Class New Zealand National Championships

We understand that sailors may not be able to attend all clinics due to exams and other time constraints and we are comfortable with this if there is an overall commitment to the season programme.

We will be using [Teamapp](#) as a primary way of communicating with all members of the program. Through this app sailors need to click whether they will be attending any upcoming camps at least two weeks in advance. It is important you download the app and stay up to date with any updates.

Registration

For 2020 /2021 season, registration will be for the whole season programme. This includes all the Aon National Youth Clinics [on the calendar](#).

It also includes for those that are attending, a coach to provide support at the class Youth Worlds along with all Aon Class Worlds Clinics in the build-up.

The registration fee for the whole season will be \$550 for sailors based in Auckland and \$350 for sailors living outside of Auckland. There is support available for regional sailors to attend national clinics. [Click here](#) for more information.

Each sailor will receive an Aon National Youth Clinic bib to identify the sailors at clinics and regattas to the coaches upon registration, acceptance to the programme and payment.

There will be no individual clinic registration, but you must RSVP to each clinic on the [Teamapp](#) if you are selected into the programme.

If you would like to find out more information, [please contact the Youth Coordinator](#).