

## 2021 HARKEN NATIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS KEELBOAT CHAMPIONSHIP 5th – 7th March 2021

### NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron (RNZYS)  
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#### 1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Sailing Instructions will consist of the Standard Sailing Instructions, that will be posted to the RNZYS event website and available at registration.
- 1.3 A correctly fitted buoyancy aid/lifejacket shall be worn at all times whilst on the water.
- 1.4 On the water judging will be used for this event. Addendum U will apply and will be attached to the Sailing Instructions.

#### 2.0 Advertising

Boats will be required to display advertising as supplied by the Organising Authority.

#### 3.0 Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The event is open to up to 20 NZ Secondary School teams consisting of four or five sailors.
- 3.2 All team members (helm and crew) shall be a full time current students of their school they are representing.
- 3.3 The maximum number of crew, including the helm, shall be five (5) and the maximum crew weight is 350kg.
- 3.4 The event will be sailed in the Elliott 7 fleet as supplied by the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron.
- 3.5 The total entry fee is \$400 (including GST) per school team.  
The non-refundable entry fee deposit of \$200 (including GST) per school team must be paid following an entry expression of interest before 1700hrs Friday 19th February 2021. The remaining \$200 (including GST) per school team must be received before 1700hrs Friday 26th February 2021. The entry expression of interest online form can be found <https://www.rnzys.org.nz/rnzys-events/harken-schools-champs/>.
- 3.6 The damage bond of \$1000 per school team shall be completed before registration.
- 3.7 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 3.8 Composite school teams may be accepted at the discretion of the OA. A composite school team will be unable to finish in the top 3 overall placings in the Gold Fleet.

#### 4.0 Format

- 4.1 The confirmed Racing Schedule will be outline in the Sailing Instructions with the confirmed number of teams entered. The regatta is expected to consist of a Qualifying/seeding series and a Final series.

Qualifying Series A (Friday) Up to six races are scheduled (the top five teams will qualify for the GOLD fleet and the remaining teams will qualify for the SILVER fleet.

Qualifying Series B (Saturday) Up to six races are scheduled (the top five teams will qualify for the GOLD fleet and the remaining teams will qualify for the SILVER fleet.

Final Series (Sunday) Up to four races are scheduled for the SILVER fleet and up to four races are scheduled for the GOLD fleet. The number of races may be reduced at the discretion of the OA to fit the schedule.

## 5.0 Schedule of Events

5.1 The below is an expected schedule of events, and will be confirmed in the Sailing Instructions with confirmed number of teams entered.

Date	Time	Item	Races	Location
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	0900	Registration & Briefing		RNZYS
	1100	Windward/Leewards Qualifying A	Up to 6 Races	
	1600 approx	Debriefing		RNZYS
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	0900	Registration & Briefing		RNZYS
	1000	Windward/Leewards Qualifying B	Up to 6 Races	
	1600 approx	Debriefing		RNZYS
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	0900	Briefing		RNZYS
	1000	Windward/Leewards Silver Fleet	Up to 4 Races	
		Windward/Leewards Gold Fleet	Up to 4 Races	
	1600 approx	Prizegiving BBQ		RNZYS

5.2 The warning signal for the first race of each day is scheduled for 0955hrs

5.3 A total of six (6) qualifying races are scheduled per group and four (4) races for the Silver fleet and four (4) for the Gold fleet.

5.4 The warning signal for a subsequent race on the same day will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the last boat in the preceding race.

5.5 On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March, no warning signal will be made after 1530 hours.

## 6.0 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available from 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021 on the RNZYS website or at Registration.

## 7.0 The Venue

7.1 The regatta will take place in the Waitemata Harbour in front of the RNZYS or any other nearby location deemed suitable by the Race Officer.

## 8.0 The Courses

8.1 The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward courses and shown in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9.0 Scoring

9.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

9.2 Qualifying Rounds A & B One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

Final Series One (1) race is required to be completed for the Gold & Silver Fleet's to constitute a series.

9.3 Overall placings will be decided by finishing positions in the Finals Series. Points from the qualifying series will not count towards overall placings, unless there is no racing in the final series.

## 10.0 Radio Communication

10.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

10.2 The Race Committee will be contacted on VHF Channel 17.

## 11.0 Prizes

11.1 The winner of the GOLD fleet will be awarded the HARKEN Schools Regatta Trophy.

11.2 The winning team will receive entry to the NZ Match Racing National Qualifying Regatta and the NZMRC event.

11.3 Teams finishing in second and third place in the Gold Fleet will receive entry to the NZ Match Racing Nationals Qualifying Regatta.

11.4 Other prizes may be awarded.

## 12.0 Disclaimer

12.1 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 other person taking part in such events. The RNZYS and any sponsor associated with this event shall not be

responsible for the competence of the skippers or crews. The RNZYS reserves the right in its sole and uncontrolled discretion to refuse any entry.

### **13.0 Further Information**

For further information please contact the RNZYS Youth Training Programme Coaching Staff Reuben Corbett  
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