



New Zealand Youth Match Racing Nationals

~~08th – 12th December 2021~~
15th – 19th December 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

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1. **ORGANISING AUTHORITY**
The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club (RPNYC).
2. **VENUE**
The venue will be the Wellington Harbour, Wellington, New Zealand.
3. **EVENT GRADING**
The event is a World Sailing Grade 3 event. This grading is subject to review by the World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.
4. **PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME**
 - 4.1 The event will be held from Wednesday 15th December to Sunday 19 December 2021.

Wednesday 15 December
1000-1200 hrs Registration and crew weigh in
1000-1200 hrs Practice session A
1400-1600 hrs Practice session B
1800 hrs Event Opening & First Briefing. (Mandatory)

Thursday 16 December - Saturday 19 December
0830 hrs Daily Briefing
0953 hrs First Attention Signal

Sunday 19 December
0830 hrs Daily Briefing
0953 hrs First Attention Signal
1800 hrs Prizegiving
 - 4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:
 - (a) Initial briefing for skippers.
 - (b) Daily briefing for skippers.
 - (c) Prize giving.
 - 4.3 Schedule may be amended subject to weather or time constraints.
 - 4.4 On Sunday 19 December no attention signal will be made after 1500hrs.
5. **SKIPPER ELIGIBILITY**
 - 5.1 Up to 8 teams will be invited to participate in the event. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.

- 5.2 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 5.3 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing (email is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- 5.4 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing Eligibility Code, regulation 19.2.
- 5.5 All competitors shall have a World Sailing Sailor ID (obtained by registering online at <https://www.sailing.org/isafsailor>). Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.
- 5.6 All competitors shall be under 23 years of age as at 20 December 2021.

6 ENTRIES

- 6.1 The skipper/team shall be entered on completion of registration and the payment of all fees and deposits.
- 6.2 **Entry Fee:** A non-refundable entry fee of NZ \$900 shall be paid by 1700hrs NZT Friday 3rd December 2021. Failure to pay the fee by this date makes the entry ineligible. Payment is to be made by bank deposit to Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club

Bank Account number: 03-0539-0056585-000
Reference: [Skippers surname] e.g. Smith

6.3 Damage Deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of \$NZD1000 shall be paid at registration.
- (b) The damage deposit is the limit of liability for each 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 team 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.

7 RULES

- 7.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021 – 2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix C.
- 7.2 All sailors must wear approved PFD's at all times whilst on board the Elliot 6's.
- 7.3 The rules for the handling of boats will apply for the event and any practice sailing.
- 7.4 Major alterations to the RRS.
- (a) Add to RRS 41e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
- (b) RRS C8.6 and C6.3 will be changed in the Sailing Instructions.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

- 8.1 The event will be sailed in Elliot 6m Sports boats provided by the OA.
- 8.2 Four boats will be provided.
- 8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: mainsail, jib, asymmetrical spinnaker.
- 8.4 Boats will be allocated by a draw by the Race Committee unless otherwise advised for each round robin prior to the regatta.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 9.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 3 or 4. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 9.2 The maximum crew weight limit, determined prior to racing shall be 262.5kg, when wearing at least shorts and a t-shirt.
- 9.3 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 penalised, but they shall reduce their weight to the increased weight limit before racing again.
- 9.4 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- 9.5 When a registered crew is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise a substitute, temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10 EVENT FORMAT

- 10.1 Skippers will be seeded based on World Sailing ranking list prior to the event.
- 10.2 The event will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 - Two Round Robins
Stage 2 - Semi Finals
Stage 3 - 7th vs 8th Sail off
Stage 4 - 5th vs 6th Sail off.
Stage 5 - Petit Finals
Stage 6 - Finals
- 10.3 The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any stage, when weather conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

11 COURSE

- 11.1 The intended course will be windward/leeward with all marks rounded to starboard and a downwind finish.
- 11.2 The intended sailing area will be in the vicinity of Wellington Harbour adjacent to Oriental Bay, Wellington, New Zealand.

12 ADVERTISING

- 12.1 Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- 12.2 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 The principal prize for first place will be the Warren "Wolfie" Williams trophy and the title of National Youth Match Racing Champion 2021.
- 13.2 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 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

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

15 COACH BOATS

- 15.1 Coach boats are not permitted.
- 15.2 A boat may be provided for coaches to be on the water during racing.

16 DISCLAIMER

16.1 All those taking part in any sailing events controlled by RPNYC do so at their own risk and responsibility. The RPNYC, WYST, its sponsors and their respective officers, volunteers and members have no liability for any damage, loss or any penalty suffered by any boat crew or any other person taking part in such events, or be responsible for the competence of a skipper or crew. RPNYC reserves the right in its sole and uncontrolled discretion to refuse any entry.

17 INVITATIONS

Entries will be accepted from invited youth skippers who have filled out an Expression of Interest by 27 November 2021, unless extended by the OA. If you wish to be invited please register as soon as possible with the OA by completing an Expression of Interest form found online [here](#).

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ATTACHMENT 1. EVENT VENUE & SAILING AREA

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