



2024 New Zealand Noelex 25 National Championship

Friday 2nd February to Monday 5th February 2024

The Organising Authority is the Noelex 25 Association of New Zealand and the Lake Taupo Yacht Club Inc., 9 Ferry Road, Taupo

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1** The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 and the class rules of the Noelex 25 Trailer Yacht Association.
- 1.2** The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part V Category C shall apply to all trailer yachts.
- 1.3** All boats must have a minimum of 5 litres of fuel each day of the event and an operational engine of not less than 8HP.
- 1.4** RRS 35 & 40 will be changed as follows:
 - 1.4.1** Rule 35 will be changed to state that boats still racing but failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored "did not finish" DNF.
 - 1.4.2** Rule 35 will further be changed to state that a boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start, DNS
 - 1.4.3** Rule 40 will be changed to require personal floatation devices to be worn at all times while afloat,
 - 1.4.4** The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.5** Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions and supplementary sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located at 9 Ferry Road, Taupo
- 2.2** The sailing instructions will be available online at <https://www.ltyc.org.nz> from 1st December 2023. Printed copies will be available at registration.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1** All boats must carry a VHF radio transceiver capable of receiving and transmitting VHF channel 77 and local emergency channel 61.
- 3.2** On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be 77 and stated in the Sailing instructions.
- 3.3** [DP], While racing, from the first warning signal and until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.4** Notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the window at the clubhouse entrance.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1** The event is open to the members of the Noelex 25 Association of New Zealand, affiliated to a Yacht Club that is affiliated to Yachting New Zealand.
- 4.2** To be eligible to compete in this event each competitor and crew members shall be a financial member of a club recognised by Yachting New Zealand. Proof of affiliated club membership may be requested at registration.
- 4.3** Entries will open 1 November 2023, Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form accessed through the Lake Taupo Yacht Club website: <https://www.ltyc.org.nz/> and completing payment of the appropriate entry fee by the closing date for entries, which is Tuesday 30 January 2024
- 4.4** Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: Late entries accompanied by the late entry fee may be accepted at the Race Committee's discretion until 1000 hours on Saturday 3 February. No entries will be accepted beyond this date.

5 FEES

- 5.1** The entry fee for all boats is \$150.00 per boat; late entry fee is \$200.00.

6 ADVERTISING

- 6.1** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1** **SAIL MEASURING** will be available at Lake Taupo Yacht Club on Friday 2nd February 2024 from 1000 hours
- 7.2** **Registration:** at Lake Taupo Yacht Club, Friday 2nd February 2024 0900 hours – 1700 hours.

7.3 **Briefing** will be at Lake Taupo Yacht club on Saturday 3 February 2024 at 1000.

7.4 **Dates of racing:**

Nine (9) races are scheduled for the series.

Date	Races scheduled	Time of first Warning signal
Saturday 03 February	3 races back to back	1155hrs
Sunday 04 February	3 races back to back	0955hrs
Monday 05 February	3 races back to back	0955hrs

7.5 The Race Committee reserves the right to schedule one more race each day to ensure a series is completed.

7.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1530hrs.

8 **MEASUREMENTS**

8.1 Each boat shall comply with the rules of the N25 Trailer Yacht Association of New Zealand and shall produce a N25TYA approved weight certificate.

8.2 A safety declaration is to be completed by all entrants at the time of registration.

8.3 Except when racing, a safety check may be made on any boat at any time during the event.

9 **VENUE**

9.1 The event venue will be Lake Taupo Yacht Club, 9 Ferry Road, Taupo.

9.2 The racing venue will be Tapuaeharuru Bay, Lake Taupo. (See addendum A)

10 **THE COURSES**

10.1 The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward courses. The target time for each race will be 50 minutes for the leading boat.

11 **PENALTY SYSTEM**

11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two turn's penalty is replaced by the one turn penalty.

12. **SCORING**

12.1 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.2 a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed a boats score will be the total of her race scores.

b) When 6 to 8 races have been completed, a boats score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

- c) When 9 races have been completed, a boats score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her two worst scores.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1** Support boats are not allowed.

14 LAUNCHING RAMP FEES:

- 14.1** Permits are required for Lake Taupo and can be purchased online at: <http://ramp-permit-taupo.dia.govt.nz/>

15 RISK STATEMENT

- 15.1** RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

16 INSURANCE

- 16.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per incident, or the equivalent.

17 PRIZES

- 17.1** The event prize giving will be held in the clubrooms at the conclusion of racing.
- 17.2** Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

18 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

- 18.1** For further information, please contact
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