

# 2025 WBC AUTUMN YOUTH REGATTA 29er & 420



**420 Autumn Championship**  
**29er North Island Championship**  
Saturday 10th - Sunday 11th May 2025  
The Organising Authority is the Wakatere Boating Club Inc (WBC)  
Narrow Neck Beach, Devonport, Auckland

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## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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### Abbreviations

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in [The Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#).
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part I shall apply.
- 1.3 Under RRS 86, Changes to The Racing Rules, the following racing rules will be changed as follows:

- RRS 44.1 is changed so that the "two turns" penalty is replaced by the "one turn" penalty
- RRS A4 and A5 are changed to state that a boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

The changes will appear in full in the Supplementary Sailing Instructions. The Supplementary Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

- 1.4 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply

## 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the WBC Clubroom, by the kitchen entry point.
- 2.2 The race office is located at the south-eastern side of the Club

## 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

## 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located on the deck, just outside the race office.
- 4.2 A boat shall not go afloat until flag D is displayed ashore. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed.

## 5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration Saturday 10th May 0900 hours - 1000 hours
- 5.2 Welcome and sailors' briefing Saturday 1000 hours. Support boat briefing to follow sailors' briefing.
- 5.3 Schedule of Racing:

	Date	Number of Races	Time of First Warning Signal
Saturday	10th May	Up to 5 races	1130am
Sunday	11th May	Up to 5 races	1030am

- 5.4 On Sunday 11th May, no warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

## 6 SCORING

- 6.1 10 (Ten) races scheduled
- 6.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.??
- 6.3 When three (3) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 6.4. When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 6.5 When eight (8) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst two (2) scores.

## 7 FLEET FLAGS

Fleet	Flag
29er	White Flag with black 29er insignia
420	White Flag with blue 420 insignia

## 8 COURSES

- 8.1 The courses to be sailed are shown in **Appendix A**.

## 9 MARKS

- 9.1 The description of the marks is in the table in **Appendix A**.

## 10 THE START

- 10.1 The Start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and an orange mark.
- 10.2 When a starting sequence is in progress, boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as a rectangle 50 metres from the starting line and marks in all directions [DP].

## 11 TIME LIMITS

11.1

Target time for first finisher	Finish Window	Race Time Limit
30 minutes	10 minutes	60 minutes

- 11.2 There is no prescribed time limit for the first boat to pass mark 1. Appendix S, SI 12.2 is deleted.
- 11.3 The race committee may award a finishing score to a boat that is still racing by displaying to her from a committee vessel (which may be in motion) flag W with one sound signal. A boat so notified is no longer required to sail the course (changing rule 28), shall stop racing and shall return to the starting area, or return ashore if there is no more racing. A finishing score under this Sailing Instruction will be the score she would have received had she sailed the course and finished within any time limit, without gaining or losing any place. However, when two or more boats that are overlapped are notified, they will be scored as if they were tied.
- 11.4 RRS A4 and A5 are changed to state that a boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

## 12 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 12.1 Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device securely fastened at all times when afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wetsuits and drysuits do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. This changes RRS 40.
- 12.2 All competitors shall personally sign on each time they leave the shore to enter the course and shall sign off each time they come ashore from the course.
- 12.3 A boat that retires from a race or returns to the launching area before she has finished the last race of the day shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 12.4 If a boat does not sign-on or sign-off, for each infringement, a scoring penalty of 10% (rounded up to the next whole number) of the number of entries will, without a hearing, be added to the boats score. However, she

shall not be scored worse than DSQ. This changes RRS 63.1, Requirements for a Hearing, and RRS A5, Scores Determined by the Race Committee.

## 13 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

13.1 A boat may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules and sailing instructions. [DP]

## 14 LAUNCHING AND STORAGE

14.1 Beach trolleys shall be prominently marked with the boat's sail number. [DP]

14.2 While a boat is racing, their beach trolley must be taken up from the beach to the old road parallel to the Clubhouse and left on the Club side of the pavement line. [DP]

## 15 SUPPORT BOATS

15.1 All support boats are required to register via the online form on the website  
<https://www.wakatere.org.nz>

15.2 All support and coach boats are asked to have VHF communications and be available to assist the race committee if required. The VHF channel to be used will be communicated at the support boat briefing.

15.3 Support boat launching is available at any number of ramps including Takapuna boating ramp or Torpedo wharf ramps.

15.4 All outboard-powered support vessels shall always have an engine safety cut-out switch (kill cord) attached to the driver while the engine is running unless prior written exemption has been provided by the Organising Authority [DP].

14.5 Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team support boats and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing, from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment of all races. The areas the boats are racing in is defined as the area inside the course and within 50 metres of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat is racing or may sail. [DP]

## 16 FURTHER INFORMATION

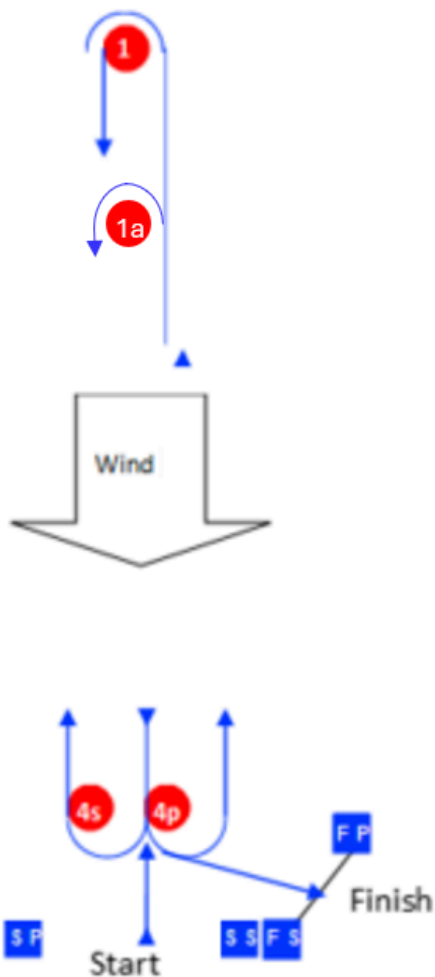
18.1 For further information, please contact:

email [wakatere@gmail.com](mailto:wakatere@gmail.com)

or visit [www.wakatere.org.nz](http://www.wakatere.org.nz)

## Course Illustration – Windward Leeward with reaching finish

LR



Signal	Mark Rounding Order: <b>420</b>
<b>LR2</b>	Start – 1a – 4p – Finish
<b>LR3</b>	Start – 1a – 4s/4p – 1a – 4p – Finish
<b>LR4</b>	Start – 1a – 4s/4p – 1a – 4s/4p – 1a – 4p – Finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order: <b>29er</b>
<b>LR2</b>	Start – 1 – <u>4p</u> – Finish
<b>LR3</b>	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4p – Finish
<b>LR4</b>	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4p – Finish

Mark	Description
<b>1a</b>	Cylinder Orange Mark
<b>1</b>	Cylinder Yellow Mark
<b>4s 4p</b>	Cylinder Orange Mark
<b>SS</b>	Starting mark, starboard end Signal vessel (orange flag)
<b>SP</b>	Starting mark port end Round orange mark
<b>FP</b>	Finishing mark, starboard end, Signal vessel (blue flag)
<b>FP</b>	Finishing mark, port end Orange circle