



2026 New Zealand Noelex 22 National Championship

Lyttelton Harbour

5th - 8th February 2026

The Organising Authority is Naval Point Club Lyttelton

Notice of Race (NoR)

'[NP]' denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat under RRS 60.1.

1 RULES

- 1.1** The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part III, Category C shall apply.
Refer to [Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations 2025 – 2028](#)
- 1.3** New Zealand Noelex 22 Trailer Yacht Association Class Rules apply.
- 1.4** While racing, all Noelex 22 boats must leave their centreboard in the “fully downward” position at all times and in addition, those with provision as provided in their class rules and YNZ Safety Regulations, must “lock” their centreboard in the “fully downward” position at all times.
- 1.5** [DP] All Noelex 22 boats competing must carry a minimum of five (5) litres of fuel at the start of racing.
- 1.6** [DP] Canterbury Regional Council Harbour Navigation Safety ByLaws apply.
<https://www.ecan.govt.nz/document/download?uri=2473039>. Boats must keep clear of working vessels in the main navigational channel. Boats that infringe this by-law shall be liable to disqualification after protest by the race committee.
- 1.7** Personal Flotation Devices. RRS 40 is changed as follows: RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 1.8** RRS 35, and A5 will be changed as follows:
 - 1.8.1 RRS 35 and A5 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.
 - 1.8.2 RRS A5 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
- 1.9** Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.



2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** The supplementary sailing instructions will be available before 1700 on 26th January 2026 at <https://www.navalpoint.co.nz/major-events/noelex-22-nationals-2026> . Printed copies of the supplementary will not be provided.
- 2.2** The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the NPCL website at <https://www.navalpoint.co.nz/major-events/noelex-22-nationals-2026>

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1** Notices before the event will be posted online at <https://www.navalpoint.co.nz/major-events/noelex-22-nationals-2026>
- 3.2** The online official notice board is located at <https://www.navalpoint.co.nz/racing/official-noticeboard-1>.
- 3.3** [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 77.
- 3.4** On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SSIs.
- 3.5** [DP] While racing 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.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1** The event is open to all boats of the Noelex 22 class that are members of New Zealand Noelex 22 Trailer Yacht Association.
- 4.2** Eligible Boats may enter the event by completing the online entry form on the event website at <https://www.navalpoint.co.nz/major-events/noelex-22-nationals-2026> and paying the required fee.
- If paying by internet banking, please reference any payments with N22, your sail number, and if space permits, the skippers surname.
- 4.3** To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by 1700 on 30th January 2026.

4.4 Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: Late entries accompanied by the additional late entry fee may be accepted at the Race Committees discretion. No entries will be accepted after 1700 on 5th February 2026.

4.5 To be eligible to compete in this event each entrant and crew member(s) shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the entrant's and crew member(s)' national authority.

Proof of affiliated club membership must be submitted with entry or presented at registration.

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees are as follows:

Class	Entry Fee until 30 th January 2026	Additional Late Fee
Noelex 22	\$150	\$50

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

6.1 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the organising authority may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

7 ADVERTISING

7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

8 SCHEDULE

8.1 Registration:

Date	From	To
5 th February	1200	1700

8.2 Equipment inspection and event measurement:

Date	From	To
5 th February	1200	1700

8.3 Dates of racing:

Date	Noelex 22
6 th February	Briefing at 0900 in NPCL clubrooms
6 th February	Racing
7 th February	Racing
8 th February	Racing

8.4 Number of races:

Class	Total Number Scheduled	Races per Day - Scheduled	Races per Day - Maximum	Target time (minutes)
Noelex 22	9	3	4	45

8.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100.

8.6 On Sunday 8th February no warning signal will be made after 1530.

9 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

9.1 [NP][DP] Boats shall be available for equipment inspection from 1200 on Thursday, 5th February.

9.2 Except during racing boats may be inspected at any time.

9.3 The following equipment will be inspected or measured:

- a) Weight. Noelex 22 Trailer Yacht Association Class Rules, 11.0 Weight
- b) Sails. Noelex 22 Trailer Yacht Association Class Rules, 6.0 Sails
- c) Safety Equipment. Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part III, Category C



10 VENUE

10.1 NoR Addendum A shows the location of the event venue.

10.2 NoR Addendum B shows the location of the racing areas.

11 COURSES

11.1 The course to be sailed will be W/L using laid marks. The detailed course, including the order in which marks are to be rounded and the side on which each mark is to be left will be advised in the supplementary sailing instructions.

12 SCORING

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

13 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

13.1 [DP] All support person 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.

14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

14.1 [NP][DP] Boats shall launch and retrieve at the Naval Point Club Lyttelton ramp during the event except with permission of the race committee.

15 RISK STATEMENT

15.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing 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 a third-party liability insurance, with a minimum cover \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.
- 16.2** Boats must provide a certificate of insurance.

17 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 17.1** By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and the event sponsor(s) the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue for the event, until their final departure, without compensation.

18 PRIZES

- 18.1** National Champions will be recognised in accordance with Yachting New Zealand regulation 4.5.4.
- 18.2** Prizes will be given as follows:
- 1) National Championship Trophy and Noelex Trophy Plate - presented to the overall line winner
 - 2) National Championship Handicap Trophy - decided by the N22 Association Committee
 - 3) National Championship B Division Plate (Cando Vincent Holdings Trophy) - presented to the B Division winner, decided by the N22 Association Committee



19 FURTHER INFORMATION

19.1 For further information please contact.

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Addendum A. Location of NPCL



Directions:

At the Lyttelton Tunnel Exit, turn right at roundabout onto Simeon Quay, after 200m turn left into Godley Quay, follow the road for 800m and turn right at the recreation ground, follow the road to the NPCL gate.

Addendum B. Location of Racing Area.

