



Olympic and Youth Classes Event.
Wednesday 28th January to Sunday 1st February 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is Yachting New Zealand, and the event will be hosted by the Torbay Sailing Club, 948 Beach Rd, Waiake, Auckland 0630.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 RRS 40.1 applies: each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device except briefly while changing or adjusting personal equipment at all times afloat.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on Tuesday 20th January 2026 at:
<https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/nzl-sailing/oceanbridge-nzl-sailing-regatta>

3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/>
- 3.2 [DP] From the first warning signal 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.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the class(es) that comply with their class rules.

Classes:		
ILCA 6	29er	iQFOIL 7.3m
ILCA 7	49er	iQFOIL 8m
420	49erFX	International Kite Racing Class and Foil
470 Mixed	Nacra 17	Wingfoil

- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the electronic entry form that is located at <https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/nzl-sailing/oceanbridge-nzl-sailing-regatta>
- 4.3 NO entries will be received after 1700hrs on Thursday 22nd January 2026.
- 4.4 If at the closing date of entries, fewer than four (4) entries have been received in any class, the Organising Authority reserves the right to either cancel racing or make other arrangements for the class or classes concerned.
- 4.5 All entrants and crew members shall be financial members of a yacht club affiliated to

Yachting New Zealand, or be a member of his/her Member National Authority or one of its affiliated organisations (such membership shall be established by the competitor).

4.6 For the Olympic classes each crew shall comply with World Sailing Regulation 19.

5 FEES

5.1 The early entry fee for the event is \$200 per sailor, payable to the OA as outlined in the entry form. This rate applies to entries received on or before December 31st, 2025.

5.2 A late entry fee of \$100 in addition of the \$200 entry fee per sailor will apply to entries received on or after January 1st, 2026.

5.3 No refunds will be issued for competitors who withdraw after the entry deadline.

6 ADVERTISING

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

6.2 The organising authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

7 FORMAT

7.1 The event will consist of a single series for each class.

8 SCHEDULE

8.1 Registration confirmation for all competitors and support vessels will be upstairs inside the Torbay Sailing Club on: Wednesday 28th January 2026 from 1600hrs to 1800hrs and Thursday 29th January 2026 from 0800hrs to 1000hrs.

8.2 A competitors briefing will be held at 1030hrs on Thursday 29th January 2026, at the Torbay Sailing Club.

8.3 The time of the warning signal of the first race on each race area on Thursday 29th January is 1230 hours. The time of the warning signal of the first race on each race area on subsequent days is 1200 hours.

8.4 The number of races for each class are as follows:

Class	Total number of races	Target time (minutes)	Maximum number of races per day
ILCA 6	10	35	4
ILCA 7	10	35	4
420	10	30	4
470 Mixed	10	30	4
29er	12	25	5
49er	12	25	5
49er FX	12	25	5
Nacra 17	12	25	5
iQFoil 7.3 m	15	Course 16	6
iQFoil 8 m	15	Sprint Slalom 4- 5	6
Wingfoil	15	Course 12 Sprint slalom: 4-5	6

8.5 On Sunday 1st February 2026, no warning signal will be made after 1700hrs

9 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT

9.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate.

9.2 Boats may be inspected at any time during the event.

10 VENUE

10.1 Addendum A shows the location of the event and the appropriate location of the possible racing areas.

11 COURSES

11.1 The courses sailed will be either trapezoid, windward/leeward, upwind sprint or slalom courses.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply

12.2 For the 49er, 49FX, 29er, IQFOIL, Windfoil, Kitefoiling, Wingfoiling and Nacra 17 Foiling classes, RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

13 SCORING

13.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

13.2 (a) When fewer than four (4) have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) 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.

14 COACH VESSELS, SUPPORT VESSELS AND SPECTATORS [DP]

14.1 Support vessels shall register with the organising authority with the names of the competitors they are supporting at registration.

14.2 All support vessels shall keep at least 100m from the racing area whilst boats are racing.

14.3 Sufficient personal flotation devices for each crew member must be carried or worn in all support vessels at all times in accordance with New Zealand Maritime Law.

14.4 [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.

14.5 All support and coach boats are asked to have VHF communications and be available to assist the race committee if required.

15 DRUG TESTING

Competitors are reminded of the World Sailing rules and regulations concerning the use of banned methods and substances, which are contained in World Sailing Anti-Doping Code. Drug testing may take place during this event.

16 PRIZES

Prizes shall be awarded to the winners of categories as follow:

420 girls	ILCA 6 youth girls	Kite youth girls	Wingfoil youth girls	29er girls	IQ 7.3 youth girls
420 boys or mixed	ILCA 6 youth boys	Kite youth boys	Wingfoil youth boys	29er boys or mixed	IQ 7.3 senior women
470 mixed	ILCA 6 senior women	Kite senior women	Wingfoil senior women	49erFX	IQ 8 youth boys
	ILCA 6 Overall				
Nacra 17	ILCA 7 senior men	Kite senior men	Wingfoil senior men	49er	IQ 8 senior men

17 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In signing the Entry Form and participating in the event a competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live or taped television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the event and in all material related to the event without compensation.

18 RISK STATEMENT

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.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact: clara@yachtingnz.org.nz

21 AMENDMENTS TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

The Notice of Race may be changed. Changes will be posted on www.yachtingnz.org.nz

ATTACHMENT 1

RACING AREAS:

