



WORSER BAY BOATING CLUB



2026 PREDICTWIND NZ WINGFOIL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Race Fleet: 13th to 15th March 2026

Social Fleet: 14th & 15th March 2026

The Organising Authority is the Worsler Bay Boating Club (WBBC) in association with the New Zealand Wingfoil Association.

Notice of Race

NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification and the notation [NP] in a rule in the Notice of Race means rules that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. Rules

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS").
- 1.2. Appendix WF – Wingfoiling races shall be sailed under the RRS as changed by this appendix. The term 'boat' elsewhere in the racing rules means 'wingfoil' or 'boat' as appropriate.
- 1.3. The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.4. Appendix B, of the RRS will also apply.
- 1.5. Helmets shall be used while racing. Impact Vests/PFD to be worn at all times. Refer YNZ current regulation.
- 1.6. The Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to remove any competitor from the race course and regatta that they deem to be racing in an unsafe or reckless manner
- 1.7. RRS Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.
- 1.8. In all rules governing the event the terms 'rider', 'competitor', 'crew', 'athlete' and 'owner' mean a person competing, or intending to compete, in the event.

2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available after 2000 hours Thursday 12 February 2026 at wbcc.org.nz
- 2.2. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions and a copy will be posted on the official notice board located in the WBBC clubrooms.
- 2.3. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official noticeboard before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.



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3. Code of conduct

3.1. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

4. Advertising [DP]

4.1. [DP] Competitors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

4.2. Regatta lycra, if required and provided, shall be worn outside any other clothing or equipment at all times when afloat.

5. Eligibility and Entry

5.1. To be considered an entry in the event, a competitor shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5.2. Eligible competitors may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, at www.wbbc.org.nz by 2000hrs Sunday, 1 March 2026.

5.3. Late entries accompanied by the late entry fee may be accepted at the Race Committee's discretion until 1000hrs on Monday, 9 March 2026.

5.4. To be eligible to compete in this event each Race fleet competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the competitor's national authority. This is not required for Social fleet competitors.

6. Fees

6.1. Entry Fee is as follows:

Class	Entry Fee: (until NZT 2000hrs 1 March 2026)	Late Fee in addition: (no entry fees accepted after NZT 2000hrs 9 March 2026)
Wingfoil Open (Gold/Silver) & Masters	NZ\$150	NZ\$50
Wingfoil Social Fleet	NZ\$65	NZ\$25

6.2. On payment of the applicable Entry Fee, all New Zealand entrants are deemed to be a member of Wingfoil New Zealand for the current season and therefore have all rights that are bestowed on a member of Wingfoil New Zealand. This membership right does not apply to Overseas entrants.



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7. Schedule

7.1. Registration, briefing and racing as follows:

Date	Activity	From	To
Friday 13 March	Race Fleet Registration	0800hrs	0930hrs
	Briefing	1000hrs	1015hrs
	Racing	1100hrs	1730hrs
Saturday 14 March	Social Fleet Registration	0800hrs	0930hrs
	Briefing	1000hrs	1015hrs
	Racing	1100hrs	1730hrs
Sunday 14 March	Briefing	0900hrs	0915hrs
	Racing	1000hrs	1600hrs
	Prizegiving	ASAP	-

7.2. Registration will take place in the Worser Bay Boating Club (WBBC) clubrooms.

7.3. Races and class flags:

Day	Fleet	Number of races	First time of warning signal	Class flag
Friday 13 March	Open (Gold/Silver) & Masters	2	1100hrs	TBC
Saturday 14 March	Open (Gold/Silver) & Masters	6	1100hrs	TBC
	Social	2	1100hrs	TBC
Sunday 14 March	Open (Gold/Silver) & Masters	6	1000hrs	TBC
	Social	2	1100hrs	TBC

7.4. Number of races:

Fleet	Total number scheduled	Races per day	Races per day maximum
Open (Gold/Silver) & Masters	14	2 / 6	6
Social	4	4	4

7.5. On Sunday, 14 March 2026, no warning signal will be made after 1600hrs.

8. Equipment Inspection and gear change

8.1. General

8.1.1. Competitors shall use equipment that complies with this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.



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8.1.2. All equipment shall be in safe working order.

8.1.3. Equipment will not be inspected by the Organising Authority for compliance prior to racing; competitors are solely responsible for ensuring that their equipment meets the requirements of this Notice of Race.

8.2. Wings

8.2.1. Wings shall have an inflatable leading edge and centre strut.

8.2.2. Wings shall be fitted with windows to ensure adequate visibility.

8.2.3. Wings of all configurations are permitted, including single skin, semi-double skin, and double skin constructions.

8.2.4. There is no restriction on the size of wings used.

8.2.5. There is no limitation on the number of wings that may be used during the event.

8.3. Foils and Boards

8.3.1. There are no restrictions on the type, design, or configuration of foils or boards.

8.3.2. There is no limitation on the number of foils or boards that may be used during the event.

8.4. Gear Changes and Assistance

8.4.1. Competitor 'on-water' gear changes are not permitted. Competitors must make all gear changes or adjustments onshore.

8.4.2. Assistance by a spectator or support vessel is not permitted for the purpose of adjusting or changing wing foil equipment.

8.4.3. Competitors are not permitted to swap equipment with any other competitor during the event.

8.5. Changes to RRS Appendix B.

8.6. For the purpose of this event, the rules within RRS Appendix B (Windsurfing, Kiteboarding and Board Foiling) are modified as stated above to accommodate all approved Wingfoil equipment configurations.

9. Venue

9.1. **Appendix A** shows the plan of the event venue.

9.2. **Appendix B** shows the location of the event venue and approximate location of the preferred racing areas. Note that other sailing areas in general proximity to the WBBC may be used.

10. Courses to be Sailed

10.1. The courses to be sailed, and the description of the marks will be advised at the daily briefings.

10.2. Two of the fourteen (14) scheduled races will be a "Distance" Race with a target time of 20-25 minutes, the remainder of the races will have a Target time of 10 minutes for the leading boat.

11. Penalty System

11.1. RRS 44.1 and 44.2 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a gybe whilst sailing an upwind course or a tack whilst sailing a downwind course. Whilst on a reach either is permissible except when rounding a mark and continuing in new course direction.



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12. Scoring

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

12.1.1. When six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

12.1.2. When from six to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12.1.3. When nine or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12.2. Each Distance Race (if held) will be scored as two races (i.e. double points), with the finishing position recorded twice.

12.3. Rule A5.3 applies.

13. Support Person Vessels

13.1. [DP] Support person vessels shall be registered with the Organising Authority.

13.2. All support person vessels and support person must register and comply with the local legislation, Race Officer instructions, and attend daily support boat briefings.

13.3. Support vessels (private or mark boats) shall not interfere with competitors who are racing. From the Preparatory Signal until all competitors have finished or the race committee signals otherwise, support vessels shall remain outside the racing area and not less than 100 metres from any competitor who is racing.

13.4. [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. Risk Statement

14.1. 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.

15. Photography Consent [DP] [NP]

15.1. By entering the Regatta competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using the regatta facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication, and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.

16. Launching [DP] [NP]

16.1. Unless otherwise directed by the Organising Authority, all competing boats and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the Worsler Bay beach, south of the Yacht Club.



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17. Radio Communication [DP]

17.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. For the avoidance of doubt, compasses and other GPS tracking equipment is allowed.

18. Insurance

18.1. It is recommended that each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Any liability, loss or damage arising from the actions of a competitor shall be the responsibility of the competitor.

19. Prizes

19.1. A Prizegiving will be held at the completion of racing on the last day.

19.2. Trophies will be awarded to:

- Gold Fleet Overall - 1st New Zealand Champion
- Gold Fleet Female - 1st New Zealand Champion Female
- Gold Fleet Under 19 - 1st New Zealand Champion Youth

19.3. Other Fleet and Age Group prizes may be awarded at the Prizegiving

20. Disposal of trash in the sea [DP]

20.1. A competitor shall not intentionally put trash in the water. This rule applies at all times while afloat.

21. Further Information

For further information please contact:

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APPENDIX A – Plan of the event venue

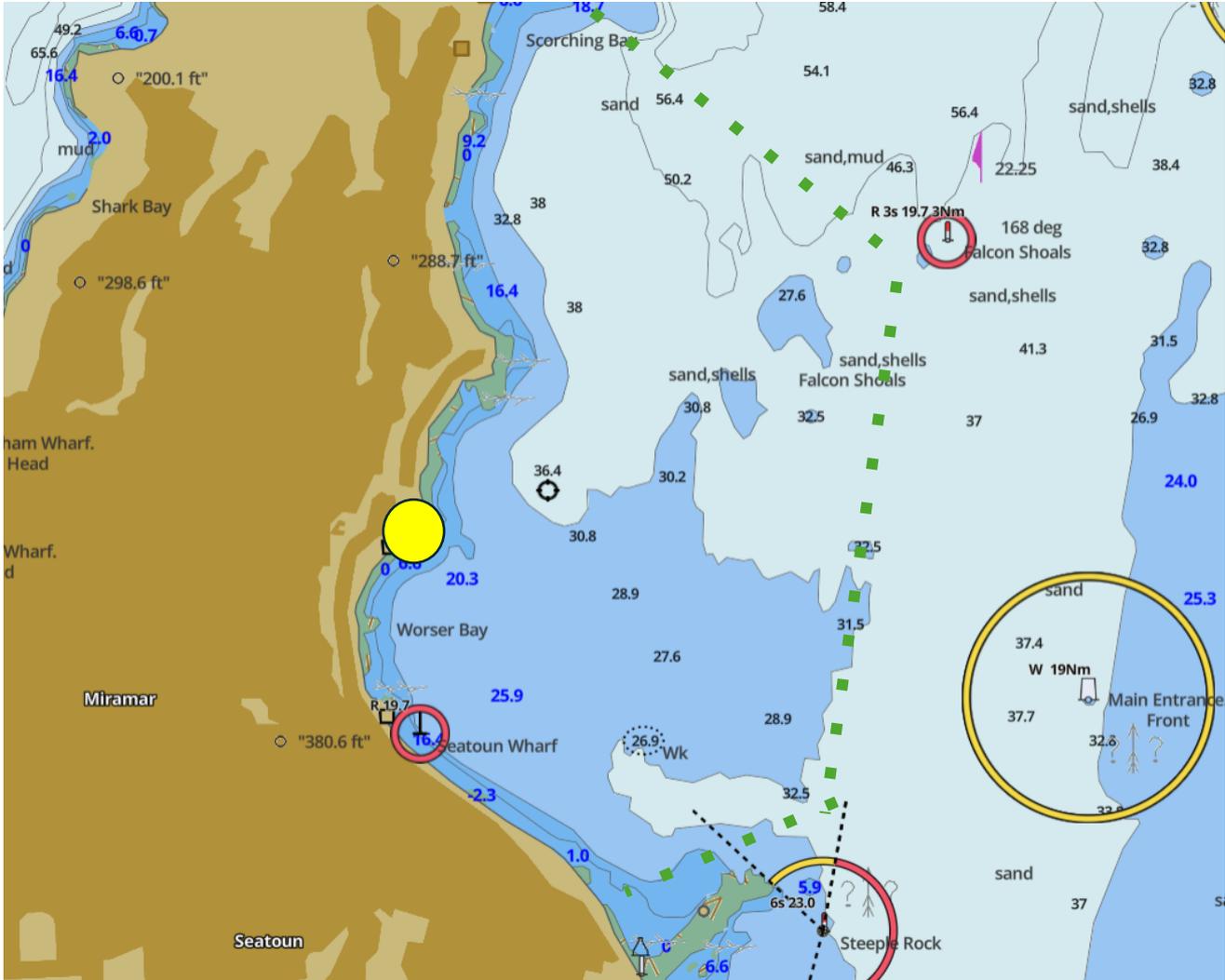




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APPENDIX B - Location of WBBC and associated course area



	Indicative boundary for courses
	Location of Worsler Bay Boating Club