



2026

NZ Zephyr National Championships

12-15 March 2026

The Organising Authority is
Howick Sailing Club, Howick Beach, Auckland

SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SSI)

This sheet and Addendum A are supplements to Appendix S of the Racing Rules of Sailing.

The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1. The notation [DP] is defined in the RRS introduction.

NOTICES TO COMPETITORS (SI 2)

- SSI 1. The Race Office is located on the second floor of the Howick Coastguard building. Access to the Race Office is via the path to the second floor on the eastern side of the Howick Coastguard building.
- SSI 2. The official notice board is located on the outside wall of the Howick Sailing Club clubhouse. Notice's will also be posted on the Howick Sailing Club website – howicksailingclub.co.nz and event WhatsApp group.

SIGNALS MADE ASHORE (SI 4)

- SSI 3. Signals ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff located adjacent to the Waterwise kiosk building (west side of HSC Clubhouse).
- SSI 4. A boat shall not leave the shore until flag D is displayed. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed or not before the scheduled time, whichever is the later.
- SSI 5. When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

SCHEDULE OF RACES AND CLASS FLAGS (SI 5 & 6)

- SSI 6. Schedule of races, time of first warning signal and class flag description:

Day / Date	Number of races scheduled	Time of first warning signal	Class Flag
Thursday 12 March	2 races	1400	Zephyr class insignia on white background
Friday 13 March	3 races	1100	Zephyr class insignia on white background



Saturday 14 March	3 races	1100	Zephyr class insignia on white background
Sunday 15 March	1 race	1100	Zephyr class insignia on white background

SSI 7. On Sunday 15 March no warning signal will be made after 1530 hours.

COURSES (SI 7)

SSI 8. The courses to be sailed, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left are shown in Addendum A.

SSI 9. In the event that a gate mark is missing and has not been replaced with an object displaying flag M, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

MARKS (SI 8)

SSI 10. The description of the marks is below each course diagram shown in Addendum A.

THE START (SI 9)

SSI 11. A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and 5.2.

TIME LIMITS (SI 12)

SSI 12. Time limits are as follows:

Target Time	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
45 minutes	60 minutes	15 minutes

There is no prescribed time limit for the first boat to pass mark 1.

CHECK OUT AND CHECK IN

SSI 13. [DP][NP] Boats shall comply with the following check out and check in procedure:

- a. Competitors shall individually check out before racing by personally signing the check-out sheets located in front of the Howick Coastguard building adjacent to the main launch ramp (Ramp 1 – see NoR Addendum A).
- b. Competitors shall individually check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing, by personally signing the check-in sheets located in front of the Howick Coastguard building adjacent to the main launch ramp.
- c. A boat that retires from a race or returns to the launch area before she finished shall notify the Race Office as soon as possible.

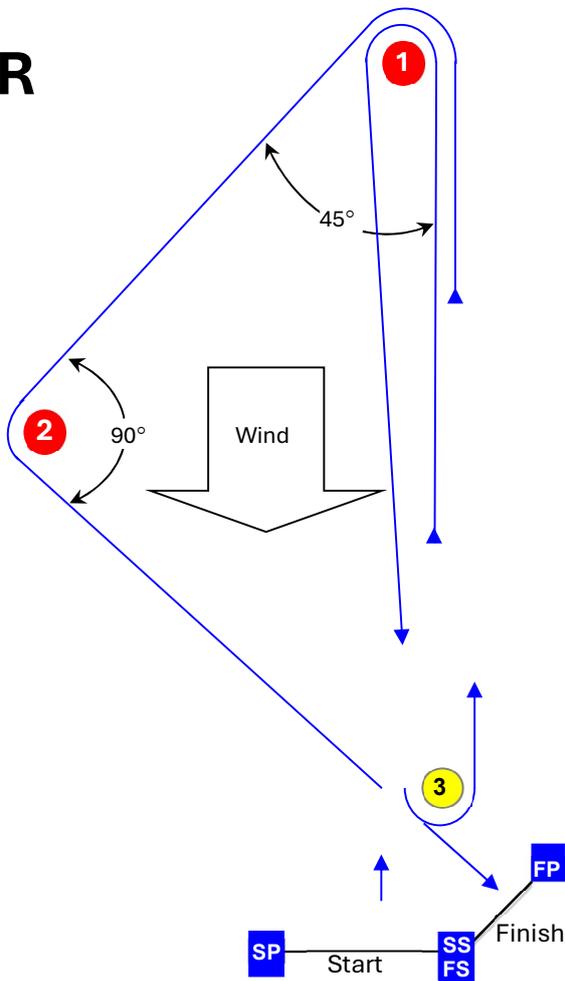
REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

SSI 14. [DP][NP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorised in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

Addendum A: Courses

Course Illustration

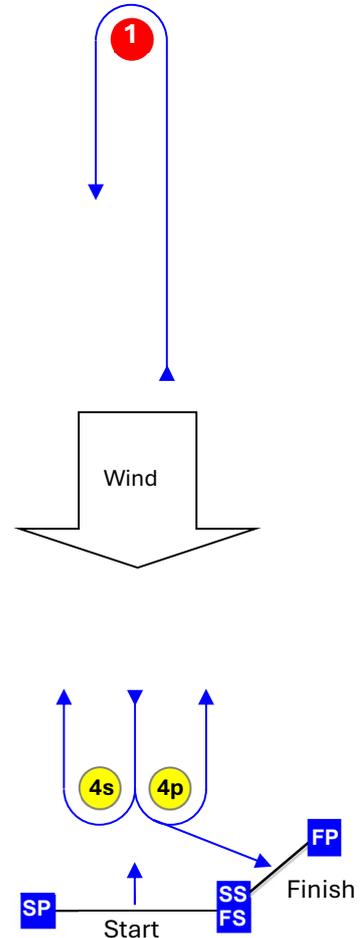
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Course: Triangle with a reach to finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
TR1	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish
TR2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish
TR3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish

LR



Course: Windward/Leeward with reaching finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
LR2	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4p – Finish
LR3	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4p – Finish

Mark	Description
1 2	Red YAMAHA cylinder buoys
3 4s 4p	Yellow cylinder buoys
SS Starting mark starboard end	Committee vessel
SP Starting mark port end	Port-end start pin vessel (with a staff flying orange flag)
FS Finishing mark starboard end	Committee vessel
FP Finishing mark port end	Port-end finish pin vessel (with a staff flying blue flag)
Replacement mark	Orange conical buoy