



New Zealand National Keelboat Championships 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026  
The Organising Authority is the Royal Akarana Yacht Club, 8-10 Tamaki Drive, Okahu Bay

## **SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SSI)**

This document, Addendum A and Appendix UF are supplements to Appendix S of the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 - 2028

### **RULES**

**SSI 1** Boats shall at all times observe the Auckland Council Navigation Safety bylaws in particular Part 8, 55. A Moving Prohibited zone:

A moving prohibited zone extending to 100m astern and 100m to each side of a large vessel, and continued at such width to 500m ahead, following the line of the buoyed channel when changing course, is reserved around a large vessel, when that large vessel is underway within the pilotage areas of Auckland Harbour.

When navigating within a marked channel, the moving prohibited zone to the side of the vessel is reduced to the width of the marked channel and the zone ahead of the vessel shall follow the line of the marked channel.

The owner or person in charge of a vessel must not navigate the vessel within the moving prohibited Zone of a large vessel, within the pilotage areas of Auckland (excluding Tamaki River) and Manukau.

For the purpose of this clause, a tug and barge are considered a composite unit.

### **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS (SI 2)**

**SSI 2** The race office is located at the Akarana Marine Sports Centre, telephone 09 5200203, email [sailing@rayc.co.nz](mailto:sailing@rayc.co.nz).

The official notice board is located at <https://rayc.co.nz/event/nz-national-keelboat-championships/> VHF channel 77 will be used on the water.

### **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE (SI 4)**

**SSI 3** Signals made ashore shall be displayed on the flagstaff located between the Akarana Marine Sports Centre and the main boat ramp.

**SSI 4** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

## SCHEDULE OF RACES AND CLASS FLAGS (SI 5)

### SSI 5

Day/Date	Number of Races	Time of first warning signal
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Up to 5	1000
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Up to 5	1000

On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026 no warning signal shall be made after 1500.

### CLASS FLAGS (SI 6)

**SSI 6** The Class Flag shall be a white flag

### THE COURSES (SI 7)

**SSI 7** 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 8** 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 9** The description of the marks is in the table in Addendum A.

### THE START (SI 9)

**SSI 10** A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and 5.2.

### CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE (SI 10)

**SSI 11** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee shall lift and move the original mark to a new position (or move the finishing line). If the windward mark has been moved, a new offset mark (mark 1a) shall not be laid. This changes SI 10.1

### TIME LIMITS (SI 12)

#### SSI 12

Fleet/Class	Target time for first finisher	Finish Window	Race time limit
MRX	40 minutes	15 minutes	75 minutes

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

### PENALTY SYSTEM

**SSI 13** Rule 44.1 is changed so the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

### SCORING

#### SSI 15

15.1 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 15.2 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 15.3 When from 6 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15.4 When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## **BOATS & SAILS**

### **SSI 16**

- 16.1 The regatta will be sailed in Farr MRX Yachts allocated by the Race Committee. Competitors shall not make any alterations to the boats and may only use the equipment and sails supplied by MRX Yachting.
- 16.2 The sail combination to be used shall be displayed using code flags from the RC vessel not less than 5 minutes before the warning signal.
- 16.3 The signal's displayed shall have the following meanings:
  - NO Signal- Mainsail, any Jib/Genoa, Spinnaker
  - Code Flag R- Mainsail, Jib #2, Spinnaker
  - Code Flag O- Mainsail, Jib #2
  
  - Code Flag H- No Spinnaker (may be displayed at any rounding mark)

## **BREAKDOWN & TIME FOR REPAIRS**

### **SSI 17**

- 17.1 Before the warning signal of a race or within two minutes of finishing, whichever is later, a boat may display a Green Flag and make radio contact with the RC to signal a breakdown or damage to the boat, her sails or injury to her crew and request a delay to the next start. She shall proceed as soon as possible to the leeward side of the RC vessel and remain there unless otherwise directed.
- 17.2 The time allowed for repairs shall be at the discretion of the RC.
- 17.3 After the warning signal of a race, a race shall not be postponed or abandoned due to a breakdown unless the breakdown signal was displayed as per SSI 17.1.
- 17.4 Except when Rule 61.2(b)(1) applies, failure to effect repairs in the time allowed, or breakdowns after the warning signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 61.

## **LIFE JACKETS for CREW MEMBERS**

- SSI 18** At the discretion of the RC, not less than 5 minutes before the warning signal, code flag Y may be displayed requiring all crew to wear life jackets.

## **SUPPORT VESSELS**

- SSI 19** All official and 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.

## Addendum A

Mark Description

1 Orange Inflatable Cylinder

1a Orange teardrop

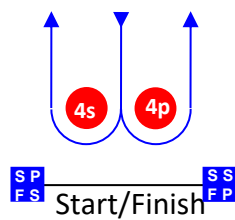
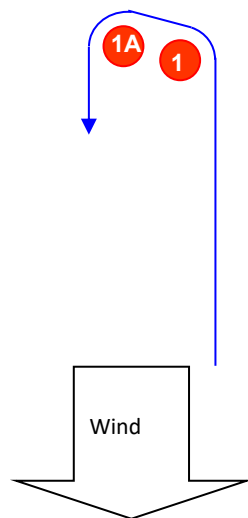
4p and 4s Two Orange Inflatable Triangles

Start Mark – Starboard End Committee Boat

Start Mark - Port End Yellow Inflatable Cylinder

Finish Mark – Starboard End Yellow Inflatable Cylinder

Finish Mark – Port End Committee Boat



### Course: Leeward finish

Signal Mark Rounding Order

**LA2** Start – 1 – 1 a - 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish

**LA3** Start – 1 – 1a- 4s/4p – 1 – 1a- 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish