2027 New Zealand iQ and Windfoil National Championship

February 26th – 28th 2027

NOR and SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organising Authority is the Manly Sailing Club Incorporated

65 Laurence Street Manly 0930

[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a board. This changes RRS 60.1.
[DP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the Protest Committee with a hearing.

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1. Rules

1.1 The event will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix B.
1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
1.3 [DP] All sailors shall wear buoyancy vests, impact vests, or lifejackets at all times while afloat.
1.4 [DP] A suitable protective helmet must be worn at all times while afloat.
1.5 [DP] Competitors shall comply with RRS 78.1 at all times.
1.6 During long-distance races, each sailor may be required to carry a flare and may also be asked to carry a tracking device and/or application associated with the sailor's mobile phone.
1.7 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

2. Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

2.1 This document will be posted at www.manlysailingclub.org.nz. Printed copies will NOT be provided.

3. Notice to Competitors

3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board. All competitors will be added as members of a WhatsApp Event community. Failure to received or read any official notice will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1.
3.2. Any change to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board at least 60 minutes before the scheduled start of the first race affected, except that any changes affecting the first possible start of the next day's racing shall be posted not later than 2000hrs on the day before.

4. Signals Made Ashore

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed via the Official Notice Board. Refer to 3.1 above.

4.2. Signals made over a class flag apply to that class only.

4.3. A board shall not go afloat until flag D is displayed ashore. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed.

5. Communications

5.1. [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a board shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boards.

6. Eligibility, Entry and Fees

6.1. The event is open to all windsurfing boards on foils.

6.2. The Entry Fee is NZD$180.00. There will be no refund if entered competitors withdraw their entry after the entry deadline.

6.3. Eligible boards may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, at www.manlysailingclub.org.nz either by credit card or direct bank transfer by 1800 on the 22nd February 2027.

6.4. [DP] Competitors will need to submit their equipment serial numbers as part of this form and to comply with Class measurement requirements.

6.5. Late entries will not be accepted.

6.6. To be eligible to compete in this event, each competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the competitor's national authority. Proof of affiliated club membership shall be presented at registration.

6.7. New Zealand competitors shall be members of Windfoil New Zealand Inc. New Zealand.

6.8. New Zealand competitors must display a Windfoil New Zealand registered sail number. International Competitors shall comply with their country's equivalent or similar.

6.9. All competitors in the Youth Class shall be under the age of 19 years on 31 December 2027.

6.10. All competitors in the Junior Class shall be under the age of 17 years on 31 December 2027.

7. Advertising

7.1. Sailors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

7.2. Event lycra, if provided, shall be worn outside any other clothing or equipment at all times when afloat and during media interviews ashore.

7.3. Event lycra and stickers shall not be cut, trimmed or altered in any way.

8. Event Schedule

8.1. The daily schedule will be determined by weather forecasts and conditions.

8.2. Registration will be upstairs in Manly SC.

8.3. Equipment inspections may take place at any time during the event.

8.4. Event Schedule and briefings:

Date:	From:	To:	Event
Fri 26th	0800	0930	Registration
Fri 26th	0930	1000	Briefing
Sat 27th	0915	0930	Briefing
Sun 28th	0915	0930	Briefing

9. Racing Schedule:

Date:	Time of the First Warning Signal:	No Warning signal shall be made after:
Fri 27th	1130	1800
Sat 28th	1000	1800
Sun 29th	1000	1530

9.1. In consultation with the Class Association, a 'daily intended race schedule and format', and the scheduled time of different types of races may be published on the Official Notice Board or announced at the daily briefing.

9.2. On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1530hrs.

9.3. The prize giving will be held as soon as reasonably possible after the completion of racing.

10. Format of Racing

10.1. Racing will be a mix of windward/leeward, Upwind Sprints, and slalom courses. Refer to **Addendum B**

10.2. If conditions allow, there will be a marathon race that will count towards a sailor's score.

11. Equipment and Measurement [DP][NP]

11.1. iQ Competitors will submit their equipment serial numbers on the entry/registration form.

11.2. Any board or equipment may be checked for compliance with these Sailing Instructions at any time.

11.3. A competitor may replace equipment that is damaged and beyond immediate repair. Any replacement equipment must be notified to the Race Committee immediately after racing. Damaged items are to be sighted.

12. Divisions and Class Flags

12.1. The class flags, divisions, and equipment to be used are described below.

Fleet and Class Flags	Division	Equipment to be used
	iQFoil Male ≥19y @ 31 Dec 2027 iQFoil Youth Male (<19y at 31 Dec 2027)	8M iQ Foil Equipment
	iQFoil Women (≥19y @ 31 Dec 2027) iQFoil Youth Female (<19y at 31 Dec 2027)	7.3M iQ Foil Equipment
	iQFoil Junior (<17y at 31 Dec 2027)	6M iQ Foil Equipment

	iQFoil Youth (<19y at 31 Dec 2027)	7M iQ Foil Equipment
	Open Men and Women	Board: Max Width 100.5cm Foil: 1 mast any size 2 fuselage any size 2 front wings any size 2 back wings any size Sails: Any three sails, Men max sail area: 9.5M Women max sail area: 8M

13. Venue

13.1. The venue is detailed at Addendum A.

14. Racing Area

14.1. The Race Area will be the waters of Polkinghorne Bay, Manly; see Addendum A. The indicative location within the Race Area will be communicated to sailors at the daily briefing.

15. Courses

15.1. The diagrams in Addendum B show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

15.2. The Race Committee will determine the race format and the courses at their discretion.

15.3. If more than one race format and/or if more than one course option is prescribed for the day's racing, no later than one minute before the warning signal, the Race Committee signal vessel shall display the course to be sailed.

15.4. For the Silver and Open Fleets only, any Course Racing will consist of one lap and will be discussed with the fleet at the briefing each day.

16. Marks

16.1. The starting marks, finishing marks, and marks on the course will be described at the daily briefing.

17. The Start

17.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting vessel at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.

17.2. To alert boards that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least 2 minutes before a warning signal is made. No sound will be made when the flag is lowered.

17.3. The following start sequence will be used:

Minutes before starting signal	Visual Signal	Sound Signal	Meaning
5	Orange Flag displayed	one long	
3	Class Flag displayed	one	warning

2	U or Black flag displayed	one	Preparatory
1	U, or Black flag removed	one long	one minute
0	Class flag removed	one	start
2	Orange flag removed	none	start closed

17.4. Board starting later than 2 minutes after their starting signal will be scored as Did Not Start "DNS" without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.

18. Change of Course

18.1. From the time of the Class flag being displayed, the courses will not be changed.

19. The Finish

19.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing vessel at one end and the orange buoy at the other end.

20. Target Times and Time Limits [NP]

Course	TARGET TIME	FINISH WINDOW	TIME LIMIT
Slalom	6 min	4 min	8 min
Course	16 min	6 min	23
Upwind Sprints	7 min	5 min	12 min
Marathon	60 min	30 min	90 min

21. Penalty System

21.1. RRS 44.1 is changed to a penalty consisting of upwind, one tack, and downwind, one gybe (360 degrees), to be done continuously and as soon as possible.

21.2. Alternatively, in accordance with RRS 44.1 of Appendix B, a competitor may elect a Scoring Penalty instead of completing a One-Turn penalty. The Scoring Penalty will be 2 points added to the competitor's finishing place in that race.

22. Scoring

22.1. There will be 7 scoring divisions as per 10.1 above.

22.2. There must be a total of 4 entrants per division to constitute a start.

22.3. 5 races are required to constitute a series.

22.4. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a board's score will be the total of her race scores.

22.5. When 6 to 8 races have been completed, a board's score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

22.6. When 9 or more races have been completed, a board's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

22.7. A course race will be scored as a single race in a series

22.8. A sprint slalom race will be scored as a single race in a series.

22.9. An Upwind Sprint will be scored as a single race in a series.

22.10. A marathon will be scored as two races in a series. The score for any marathon race shall not be excluded. This changes RRS Appendix A.

23. Safety

23.1. Competitors shall, within 30 minutes of departing or coming ashore, sign-on each time they leave the shore to enter the course and shall sign-off each time they come ashore from the course. The sign off/sign on station will be described at the briefing.

23.2. Boards not leaving shore for the day's races shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
23.3. A board that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
23.4. [DP]. Failure to comply with Safety rules will result in a penalty point.

24. Official, Support and Spectator Vessels.
24.1. Official vessels will be as described at the briefing.
24.2. All support vessels shall keep at least 100m from the racing area whilst boards are racing.
24.3. 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.
24.4. Kill-cords must be worn at all times.

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

26. Risk Statement
RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers or his 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.

27. Insurance
27.1. It is recommended that each competitor holds third party marine insurance for an amount not less than NZ$1,000,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

28. Media Rights, Cameras and Electronic Equipment
28.1. By entering the event, competitors automatically grant Yachting New Zealand, and the Organising Authority and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of them or their equipment, taken during the period of the event, for the said event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

29. Protests and request for redress
29.1. Please note clause 21.2 and the 'Scoring Penalty' system being offered.
29.2. Protest forms are available at the Race Office, located downstairs in the MSC. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
29.3. [DP][NP] Boards retiring from racing after finishing shall notify the Race Office before the end of the protest time limit.
29.4. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last board has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
29.5. Notices will be posted on the official notice within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the Clubhouse. Hearings may start before the scheduled time with the agreement of all parties.

30. Prizes
30.1. National Champions will be recognised in accordance with Yachting New Zealand Regulation 4.5.4.
30.2. The following prizes for the event may be given at the discretion of the Class Association:
- 1st / 2nd / 3rd 8M men
- 1st / 2nd / 3rd 7.3M women
- 1st / 2nd / 3rd 8M Youth men
- 1st / 2nd / 3rd 7.3M Youth women
- 1st / 2nd / 3rd 7,6, Junior Women and men combined
- 1st Open Men
- 1st Open Women
- 1st / 2nd / 3rd NZ masters/Grand Master

31. For further information please contact:

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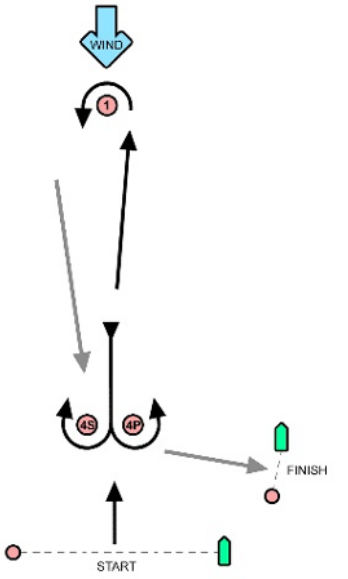
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ADDENDUM A Event and Course location





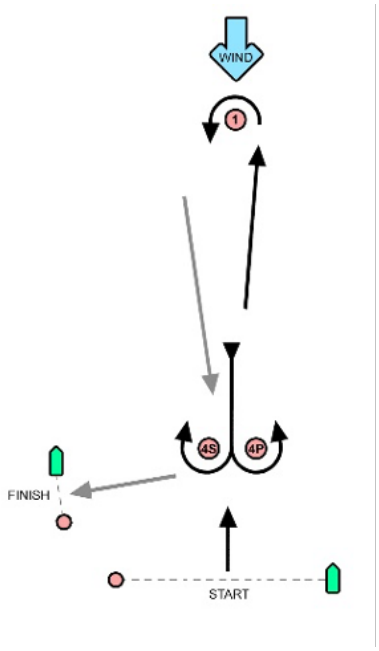
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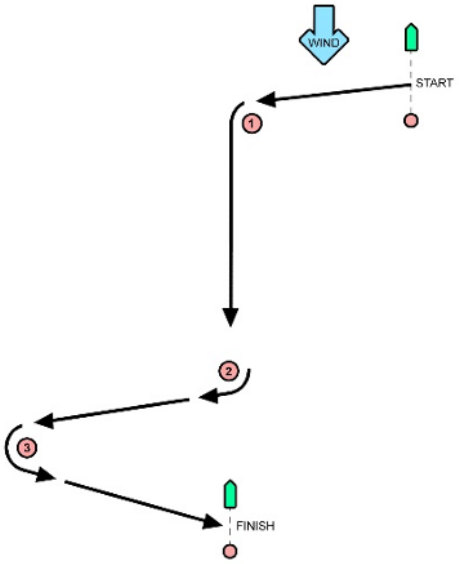
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Start,1, 4S/4P,1 4S/4P Finish



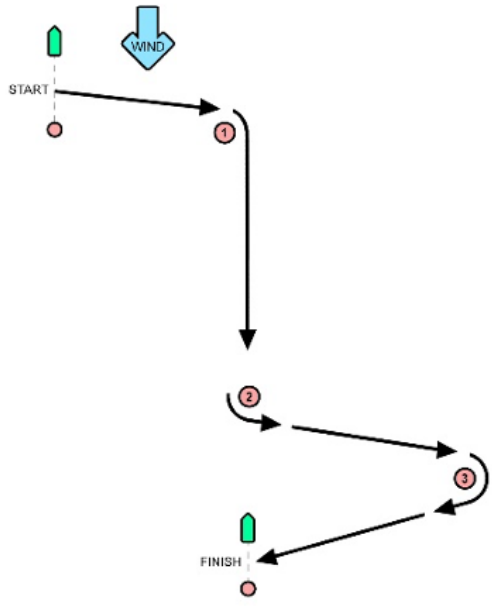
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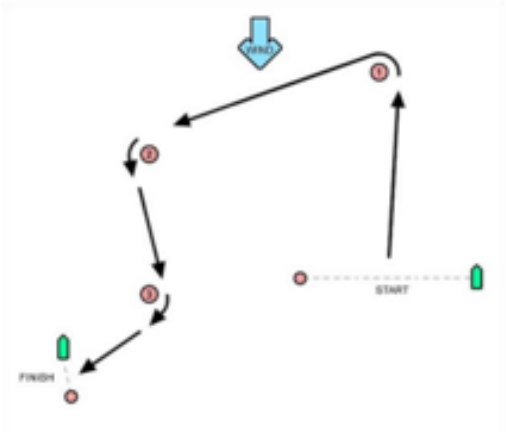
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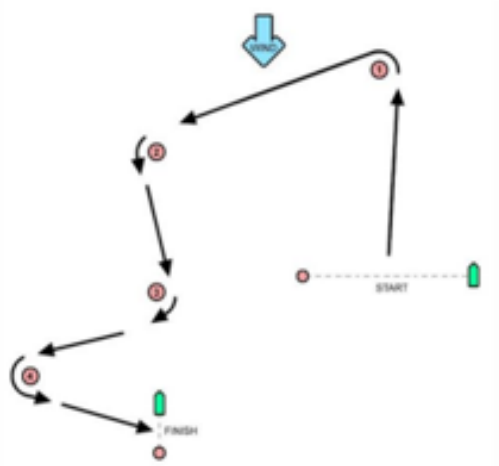
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Start,1,2,3, Finish

Sprint racing – Upwind sprint course



Signal	Mark rounding order
US3	Start-1- 2-3-Finish



Signal	Mark rounding order
US4	Start-1- 2-3-4-Finish

If a marathon race is to be held then the course will be explained at the briefing