

# Queen Charlotte Yacht Club.

## Club CHAMPIONSHIPS

**April 8th-9th 2017**

**On the waters of Queen Charlotte Sound and Picton Harbour**

Organising authority is Queen Charlotte Yacht Club. PO Box 47, Picton 7250.

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### **1 RULES**

**1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*

**1.2** The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.

**1.3** Laser class rule 7 (a) is restricted as follows:

Only one person shall be on board whilst racing. The person shall be named on the entry form

#### **1.4 CODE OF CONDUCT**

Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.

#### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Queen Charlotte Yacht Club.

#### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800, or at end of protest time, whichever is earlier on the day before it will take effect.

#### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

**4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at QCYC Start Box.

**4.2** Flag D with one sound means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after flag D is displayed. [Boats are requested not to leave the harbour until this signal is made.]'

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1

Day:	Date:	No of Races	Time of First Warning Signal:
Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup>	3	1200
Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup>	3	1200

5.2 One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to instruction 3.

5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1200 hrs.

5.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

5.5 On Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> no warning signal will be made after 1600.

## 7 RACING AREAS

7.1 The Race Area will be on the waters of Picton Harbour or Queen Charlotte Sounds.

## 8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment 1 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. Other courses if to be used will be on the briefing board at the QCYC Boat shed.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed. The course will be displayed as abbreviations per the attachment.

9.2 Marks are described in Attachment

9.3 New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be Orange Pop up.

**9.4** The ends of the starting and finishing line are described in Attachment A

**9.5** A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.2.

**10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

The following areas are designated as obstructions: \_\_\_\_\_.

**11 THE START**

**11.1** Races will be started by using rule 26, *Starting Races*, with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

**11.2** The starting line will be between a Orange Staff on the start boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.

**11.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

**11.4** A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4, *Low Point System*, and A5, *Scores Determined By The Race Committee*.

**12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

**12.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

**12.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28, *Sailing The Course*.

**13 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between Finish boat orange staff and Orange Buoy marks.

**13.1**

**14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

**14.1** For the Paper Tiger class rule 44.1, *Taking A Penalty*, is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

**15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

**15.1** Time limits and target times are as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Target time</i>
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- 15.2** Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, Time Limit And Scores, A4, Low Point And Bonus Point Systems, and A5, Scores Determined By The Race Committee.

## **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.2** Immediately after finishing a boat intending to protest shall, in addition to the requirements of rule 61.1(a), *Informing the Protestee*, inform the [race committee] [protest committee] at the finishing line of her intention to protest and the identity of the boat(s) protested against. The protesting boat must receive an acknowledgement from the [race committee] [protest committee]. This changes rule 61, *Protest Requirements*.
- 16.3** Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 to take a penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a scoring penalty as calculated in rule 44.3(c) equal to 40% of the number of entries in her fleet or 50% of the difference between her finishing position and the number of entries in her fleet, whichever is less
- 16.4** For protests where only a rule of Part 2, *When Boats Meet*, or Rule 31, *Touching A Mark*, is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any formal hearing. Yachting New Zealand 4.5.5 will apply. (This changes Rule 44.1, *Taking A Penalty*). The scoring abbreviation for a penalty accepted at an arbitration hearing is ARB.
- 16.5** Protest forms are available at the race office[, located at Queen Charlotte Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.6** For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.7** Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 16.8** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b), *Informing the Protestee*.
- 16.1** Breaches of instructions 11.3, 18, 21, 23, 24, 25 and 26 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a), *Right to Protest; Right to Request Redress or Rule 69 Action*. Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 16.1** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;

- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66, *Reopening A Hearing*..

- 16.1** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1** 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

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

- (b) When from 4 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1** Competitors or their representatives shall check out each time they leave the shore to enter the course area, and shall check in each time they come ashore from the course.

- 18.2** A boat that retires from a race or returns to the launching area before she finished the last race of the day shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

## **19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 19.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the [race committee] [protest committee]..

- 19.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the [race committee] [protest committee]. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

- 19.3** Change of sail numbers will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

## **20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **21 EVENT ADVERTISING**

Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority.

## **22 OFFICIAL BOATS**

Official boats will be marked as follows: \_\_\_\_\_.

## 23 SUPPORT BOATS

- 23.1** Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and are restricted to a 5 knot speed limit, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start of a sequence of starts until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment of all races. The areas the boats are racing in is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 metres of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail.
- 23.2** When the wind is less than 10 knots support boats shall not exceed 5 knots within 500m of the area where boats are racing.
- 23.3** Kill Cords shall be worn and attention is drawn the relevant local council bylaws regarding wearing of lifejackets and other restrictions.
- 23.4** When flag W (with a long sound signal) is displayed on a committee boat all support boats are requested to remain afloat and assist all sailors.
- 23.5** Support boats shall be marked.

## 24 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

## 25 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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.

## 26 PRIZES

Castle Insurance – Optimist	Optimist Open Fleet – Club Champs
Mariners Mall (66) Trophy	Laser Radial Winner – Club Champs
Oxley Intermediate Club Champion	Intermediate Winner Starling – Club Champs
Oxley Monohull Club Champion	Senior Monohull Winner Laser – Club Champs
Peek Cup	Open Class
Oxley Multihull Club Champion	Senior Multihull Winner – Club Champs
The Villa Novice Optimist Trophy	Optimist Green Fleet Winner – Club Champs

## 27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, *Decision to Race*. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 28 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

