



2021 NEW ZEALAND WINDFOIL CHAMPIONSHIPS
The Organising Authority is the – Bay of Islands Yacht Club.
March 26th to 28th 2021

Sailing Instructions

- [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Race Committee and may be less than disqualification.
[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protests by a board.
This changes WCR 60.1

1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing - Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR), except as modified by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 [DP][NP] The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations shall apply.
 - All crew shall wear buoyancy vests, impact vests, or lifejackets in good repair properly secured about their persons and complying with YNZ minimum standard at all times while afloat.
- 1.3 [DP][NP] A suitable protective helmet must be worn at all times while afloat.
- 1.4 [DP][NP] During long distance races some or all sailors may be asked to carry a flare, and may also be asked to carry a tracking device and/or application associated with the sailor's mobile phone.
- 1.5 Equipment must comply with the rules set out in these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.6 For protests where only a Rule of Part 2 is alleged to have been broken an informal mediation may be offered prior to any formal hearing.



- 1.7 If there is conflict between these Sailing Instructions and any other document governing the regatta, these Sailing Instructions will take precedence. **This changes WCR 63.7.**
- 1.8 This regatta comprises one event in the New Zealand Boardstore Windfoil Series (2019/2020).
- 1.9 Competitors must wear a safety helmet to the minimum standard of EN 1385 or EN 1077 while afloat. Failure to wear a helmet will result in a disqualification.

2.0 Advertising [DP][NP]

- 2.1 Sailors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 2.2 Regatta lycras, if provided, shall be worn outside any other clothing or equipment at all times when afloat and during media interviews ashore.
- 2.3 Regatta lycras and stickers shall not be cut, trimmed or altered in any way.

3.0 Notice to Competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the clubhouse.

4.0 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 4.1 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 20.00hrs on the day before.

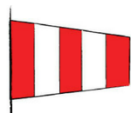
5.0 Signals Made Ashore

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club 'race flagpole'.
- 5.2 Signals made over a class flag apply to that class only.

- 5.3 [DP][NP] Flag D with one sound means - the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed. Boards are requested not to leave the shore until this signal is made.



- 5.4 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'. **This changes WCR Race Signals.**



6.0 Schedule of Regatta

Date		
Wednesday 17-2-2021	Registration	1600-1800
Thursday 25-3-2021	Registration	0800-0900
Thursday 25-3-2021	Briefing	0900
Thursday 25-3-2021	Up to 2 Races	First possible warning signal 10.30 these races do not count towards Windfoil Nationals
Friday 26-3-2021	Up to 4 Races	First possible warning signal 11.00
Saturday 27-3-2021	Up to 4 Races	First possible warning signal 11.00
Sunday 28-3-2021	Up to 4 Races	First possible warning signal 11.00

- 6.1 Should conditions favor an early start, a new scheduled start time may be posted by 20.00hrs the day before.
- 6.2 A 'daily intended race schedule and format', and the scheduled time of different types of races may be published on the Official Notice Board.

- 6.3 There will be a daily skippers meeting 90 minutes before the first possible warning signal.
- 6.4 There shall be a maximum of 4 Classic Course Races on any day. Races in other formats may be held in addition to the Classic Course Racing.
- 6.5 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.
- 6.6 On the last day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1530hrs.
- 6.7 The prize giving will be held as soon as reasonably possible after the completion of racing.

7.0 Format of Racing

- 7.1 Racing may be multi-format, including some or all of the following: Classic Course Racing, Slalom Sprints, Long Distance, Point-to-Point, and Time/Speed Trial.
- 7.2 Not every format needs to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 7.3 [NP] The Organising Authority reserves the right to limit the number of entries in any long distance race format, and/or to restrict any long distance race fleet based on seeding and/or according to skill level.
- 7.4 When Slalom sprints are run there may be evenly divided fleets with heats and a final. Silver Fleet may race separately from Gold.
- 7.5 The overall results will count towards the New Zealand Boardstore Windfoil Series 2019/2020.

8.0 Equipment and Measurement [DP][NP]

- 8.1 Foils can be composite, or metal, or a combination of both.
- 8.2 All foil boards must not exceed 100.5 cm width. Tolerances subject to Measurers discretion. All existing Formula boards are grandfathered in.
- 8.3 Only one board may be used during the regatta.
- 8.4 A maximum of 3 sails are allowed – not exceeding 10 sqm.
- 8.5 A maximum of 2 foil masts are allowed – not exceeding a depth of 115cm below the underside of the hull.
- 8.6 A maximum of 2 fuselage are allowed – total length of the foil from the leading edge of the front wing to the trailing edge of the back wing not exceeding 120 cm.
- 8.7 A maximum of 2 sets of foil wings are allowed (2 x front, 2 x back) – not exceeding a width of 100cm.



- 8.8 Any board or equipment may be checked for compliance with these Sailing Instructions at any time.
- 8.9 A competitor may replace equipment that is damaged and beyond immediate repair, and thereafter get permission from the Measurer as soon as reasonably possible.

9.0 Divisions and Class Flags

- 9.1 There will be 3 scoring divisions: Gold, Silver, **Bronze** Fleets.
- 9.2 Men, Women, Youth, and Masters in each Division will all race together in one start.
- 9.3 Gold Fleet and Silver Fleet may race together.
- 9.4 **Gold Fleet:**
- Full Race Foil Setup
 - Design Setup for performance
 - Adjustable cambered rigs
- 9.5 **Silver Fleet**
- Intermediate level racers
 - Race Foil Setup
 - Design Setup for performance
- 9.6 **Bronze Fleet**
- Entry level racers or beginner windfoilers
 - Any Foil Setup
 - Design Setup for Foiling
 - Any Sails or rigs
- 9.6 Class flags will be:

- Gold Fleet – RED FLAG with WHITE 'F'
- Silver Fleet – BLUE FLAG with WHITE 'F'



10.0 Racing Area



- 10.1** The Race Area will be on the waters off the Bay of Islands Yacht Club.

11.0 Courses

- 11.1** The diagrams in Attachment A 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.
- 11.2** The Race Committee will determine the race format and the courses at their discretion.
- 11.3** 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 on a white board or flag.
- 11.4** Any races started from the beach will be described at the daily briefing.

12.0 Marks

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

13.0 The Start

- 13.1** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
- 13.2** The following shortened start sequence will be used:
- 3 minutes – Warning Signal - Class Flag(s) displayed.
 - 2 minutes – Preparatory Signal Flag P, black flag
 - 1 minute – Preparatory Flag removed
 - Starting Signal – Class Flag(s) removed
 - **This changes WCR 26 –System 1.**
- 13.3** [DP][NP] If Flag R has been displayed at the Preparatory Signal then:
- A board shall not start the race on port tack; and
 - A board shall not foil in the immediate start line area during the last minute and until the start gun goes. The 'immediate start line area' is defined as an area 10 meters behind the start line and its extensions.
 - The purpose of this rule is to promote the safety of competitors.
- 13.3** A boat starting later than 2 minutes after their starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. **This changes WCR A4 and A5.**

14.0 Change of Course

- 14.1 There will be no change of course, except as described at the daily briefing.

15.0 The Finish

- 15.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing boat at one end and the orange buoy at the other end.
- 15.2 Grand Prix finishes may be used. See Appendix C for details

16.0 Target Times and Time Limits & Rest Periods [NP]

COURSE	TARGET TIME	FINISH WINDOW	TIME LIMIT
Classic	15 min	10 min	30 min

17.0 Penalty System

- 17.1 **B44.4 WCR** shall apply: If an infringement is acknowledged by a competitor, they shall complete a One-Turn penalty clear of any other competitor; or
- 17.2 Alternatively, a competitor may elect a Scoring Penalty in lieu of completing a One-Turn penalty (B44.4 WCR). The penalty will be 2 points.

18.0 Protests and Requests for Redress

- 18.1 Please note clauses 1.6, 17.2, and the 'Scoring Penalty' system being offered.
- 18.2 Protest forms are available at the Race Office, located in the clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 18.3 [DP][NP] Boards retiring from racing after finishing shall notify the Race Office before the end of the protest time limit.
- 18.4 [DP][NP] Boards taking a voluntary One-Turn penalty, or a 'Scoring Penalty' shall notify the Race Office before the end of the protest time limit.
- 18.5 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.
- 18.6 Notices will be posted 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.

- 18.7 Breaches of rules in the Sailing Instructions marked [NP] will not be grounds for protest by a board. **This changes RRS 60.1(a).** Penalties for breaches marked [DP] are at the discretion of the Race Committee and may be less than disqualification if they so decide.

19.0 Scoring

- 19.1 5 races are required to constitute a valid result for the regatta.
 19.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a board's score will be the total of her race scores.
 19.3 When from 5 to 17 races have been completed, a board's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 19.4 When 8 or more races have been completed, a board's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
 19.5 Long distance -- will be scored as duplicate points. That is, 2 separate race scores will be recorded in the results.
 19.6 Course Race – 1 point per finishing position.
 19.7 Slalom Sprint – 1 point per final position, or heat position (for those that did not advance).
 19.8 Point to Point - shall be scored the same as one course race.
 19.9 GPS Speed - a sailors top 10 second average will be ranked relative to the fleet and they will receive points as if they finished a course race in that ranking position.

20.0 Safety [DP][NP]

- 20.1 Competitors may be required to sign on and off in the clubhouse before and after sailing.
 20.2 Boards not leaving shore for the day's races shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
 20.3 A board that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

21.0 Official Boats

- 21.1 Official boats will be as described at the briefing.

22.0 Radio Communications

- 22.1 Except in an emergency, a board shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boards. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.







23.0 Awards

Prizes will be given as follows:

- a) First Overall NZ Champion
- b) First Women NZ Champion
- c) First NZ Master (45+ as at 20/2/2021)
- d) First NZ junior (under 20 as at 20/2/2021)
- e) First 3 Positions in the Gold Fleet
- f) First 3 Positions in the Silver Fleet
- g) First 3 positions in the Bronze Fleet no Bronze fleet
- h) Other prizes at the discretion of the Organising Authority

24.0 Disclaimer of Liability

- 24.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising 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.

25.0 Media Rights, Cameras and Electronic Equipment

- 25.1 By entering the regatta, 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 regatta, for the said regatta as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.
- 25.2 By entering the regatta, competitors automatically grant the New Zealand Boardstore, and any other sponsors of any regatta comprising the New Zealand Boardstore Windfoil Series, 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 regatta, for the said regatta as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.





- 25.3 Competitors may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment, or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.





APPENDIX A LOCATION OF RACING

