

Flying Fifteen Auckland Championships 2011

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Waitemata Harbour, Auckland, New Zealand

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All times are NZDT

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1.0 Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by:

- the 'rules' as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*
- the International Flying Fifteen Class Rules
- the Sailing Instructions.

1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1, shall apply for dinghy's and open boats.

1.3 A boat shall not discharge rubbish in the water.

2.0 Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the RAYC foyer.

3.0 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4.0 Signals Made Ashore

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on a pole erected on the seawall in front of RAYC Clubrooms.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signal, AP.

5.0 Schedule of Races

5.1 Racing Schedule

DATE	DAY	FIRST WARNING SIGNAL	NO. OF RACES
Saturday 12	1	1000	Up to 6
Sunday 13	2	1000	Up to 6

A total of eight (9) races are scheduled

5.3 Racing will be combined with the Farr 727 Nationals and the F18 Nationals.

5.4 The warning signal for any subsequent race for a division on the same day will be made as soon as practicable after the last boat finishes the previous race for that division.

5.5 No race shall start after 1730 hours on Sunday 13 February.

6.0 Class Flags

6.1 Class/ Divisional flags will be:

Class	Flag
Flying Fifteens	Flying Fifteen

7.0 Racing Areas

The races will be held in the area bounded by Mechanics Bay, Bean Rock, Rangitoto Island, Browns Island and St Heliers.

8.0 The Courses

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the Laid courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing from boat to Mark 1.

9.0 Marks

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2, and 3 will be yellow conical buoys.
Mark 1A will be an orange teardrop buoy
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be black cylindrical buoys.
- 9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at one end and an orange buoy with black markings at the other end.
- 9.4 A race committee boat signalling a change in course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.2

10.0 Areas that are Obstructions; Fairway Marks

- 10.1 The following are Fairway Marks, which must be passed on the main navigation side of the channel:

Orakei Sewer Outlet Beacon	Keep north of
Doris Rock Beacon & Bean Rock Light house	Keep north of
Devonport Cable Marks	Keep south of
Browns Island Beacon	Keep north of

- 10.2 Boats while racing will pass on the main navigation channel side of all mooring buoys and moored boats in or adjacent to the designated mooring areas as shown on chart NZ5322. These areas shall be treated as an obstruction. Boats while racing shall not sail south of a line being an extension of the permanent wave-break at Okahu Bay.

11.0 The Start

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the port end starting mark.
- 11.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes Rule A4.1.
- 11.5 When a subsequent race or series of races are started on the same day the warning signal of the first division to start will be preceded by the display of a postponement signal for at least 1 minute. This instruction will not apply after a general recall or abandonment.

12.0 Laid Courses: Change of the Next Leg of the Course

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

13.0 The Finish

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark and the finishing mark at the other end.

14.0 Penalty System

- 14.1 For all classes rule 44.2 is changed so that the 720° turn is replaced by a 360° turn.
- 14.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31.2, or rule 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.

15.0 Time Limits and Target Times

- 15.1 The time limits and target times in minutes for the first boat are as follows:

Day	Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit	Target Time
Saturday 12	120	30	50
Sunday 13	90	30	50

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

- 15.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in their division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.1.

16.0 Protests and Requests for Redress

- 16.1 Immediately after finishing a boat intending to protest shall, in addition to the requirements of rule 61.1(a), inform the race committee boat 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. This changes rule 61.

- 16.2 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.3 For each division, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in its division has finished the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and protest committee and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2. Protest time limits will be posted.
- 16.4 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. Hearings will be held at RAYC as soon as practicable.
- 16.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.6 Breaches of instructions 1.3, 4.2, 14, and 18 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat under rule 60.1(a). This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 16.7 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party reopening was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.
- 16.8 For the purpose of rule 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the measurer appointed by the organising authority.

17.0 Scoring

17.1 The Low Points Scoring System of rules Appendix A shall apply.

17.2 Appendix A4.2 is modified to read:

A boat that did not *start*, retired after *finishing* or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the series.

A boat that did not *finish* shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the number of boats who finished the race without subsequently retiring or being disqualified. A boat penalised under rule 30.2 or 44.3 shall be scored points as provided in rule 44.3(c).

17.3 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 17.4 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.5 The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty given under instruction 17.9 will be DPI.

18.0 Safety Regulations

A boat that retires from a race should notify the race committee as soon as possible, either directly or via VHF channel 77

19.0 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 appointed measurer or representative to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

20.0 Official Boats

Official boats will be marked with an RAYC pennant.

21.0 Radio Communication

21.1 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.

22.0 Prizes

22.1 Prize Giving will be held at RAYC no earlier than 2 hours after racing finishes on Sunday 13 February.

22.2 First place will be awarded the Auckland Provincial Championship Cup. Other prizes may be awarded at the Organising Committee's discretion.

23.0 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 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.

ATTACHMENT A – COURSES

All rounding marks left to port

Course Number to be sailed will be signalled on the start boat by flying the appropriate numeral penant not later than the warning signal.

Course 1	Start – 1 – 1A – 3 – 1 – 1A – Finish	(WWL – WWL)
Course 2	Start – 1 – 1A – 3 – 1 – 1A – 3 – Finish	(WWL – WWL – Beat)
Course 3	Start – 1 – 1A – 3 – 1 – 1A – 3 – 1 – 1A – Finish	(WWL-WWL- WWL)
Course 4	Start – 1 – 1A – 3 – 1 – 1A – 3 – 1 – 1A – 3 – Finish	(WWL-WWL-WWL- Beat)
Course 5	Start – 1 – 1A – 2 – 3 – 1 – 1A – Finish	(Tri – WWL)
Course 6	Start – 1 – 1A – 2 – 3 – 1 – 1A – 2 – 3 – 1 – 1A – Finish	(Tri – Tri – WWL)

