



2023 Secondary Schools Team Sailing **National Championships**



Sunday 16th April – Friday 21st April 2023
Sandspit Yacht Club, Warkworth



Notice of Race

The Organising Authority for this event is the New Zealand Team Sailing Association in association with the Sandspit Yacht Club.

1.0 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by 'the rules' as defined in 'The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024', including Appendix D.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations: Part 1 shall apply.

2.0 CHANGES TO RACING RULES

All amendments to the RRS will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

3.0 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The event is open to all teams consisting of six (6) sailors, plus up to two (2) reserves and a manager/coach. All sailing crew members shall be:
 - 3.1.1 Able to meet the NZTSA requirements set out in Appendix X, including attendance at a regional regatta.
 - 3.1.2 Members of a yacht club affiliated with Yachting New Zealand (including proof of membership).
 - 3.1.3 Full time pupils of the school that they represent
 - 3.1.4 Under 19 years of age on 1st January 2023.
- 3.2 If a school has entered a 'one-school' team, up to two members of that school may sail for another team, with a maximum of one of these members skippering. All-girls teams are exempt from this requirement.
- 3.3 A composite team comprising of members of more than one school may be entered but shall be made up of sailors from schools from the same region. All composite teams must consult with NZTSA and be approved for entry. Composite teams may not compete in the gold fleet.

- 3.4 The combined weight of the crew of each boat must be at least 110kg, except for those between 105-110kg who may make up their weight to 110kg with sand filled bottles. These correcting weights must be always carried and attached near the mast foot of their boat. If a combination is close to the weight limit, they can request to be weighed in normal, dry sailing gear. **Note: It is accepted that the optimum weight for sailing a 420 dinghy is 120-125kg.**
- 3.5 Teams from other countries may be invited by NZTSA, these teams may include sailors normally domiciled in said country but are attending school in New Zealand. This is provided they meet the requirements of NOR 3.1(d) and are full time pupils of the secondary school that they are attending. Teams from other countries are permitted to sail in the gold fleet.
- 3.6 Entries will be accepted until the closing date of 23:59 on Saturday 1st April 2023, submitting the online form found here (<https://form.jotform.com/230453165182855>) and paying the respective entry fee of \$2300 for North Island schools or \$2000 for South Island schools via direct credit to NZTSA. Account details can be found at the end of the Notice of Race.
- 3.6.1 No late entries will be accepted.
- 3.6.2 If a team has entered and the entry fee is not paid by close of entries, a late entry charge of \$200 will be required.
- 3.6.3 A damage deposit of \$500 per team is required and lodged with the entry fee, unless one is already held with NZTSA. In the event of a team causing major damage to equipment, they will be required to pay an additional amount to cover the cost of the damage if they wish to continue competing.
- 3.7 All teams must provide a support person to assist with the regatta for the duration of the event, this person needs to be highlighted to nztsasecretary@gmail.com ahead of the regatta so that support roles can be allocated. Failure to provide any support for the regatta may result in an additional payment of \$500 to support the regatta.

4.0 BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

- 4.1 The championships will be sailed in modified 420 type boats. Spinnakers and trapezes are not permitted. NZTSA will co-ordinate the supply of the 420s required for the championships. Boats will be allocated in a draw and shall not be modified in any way not permitted by the Sailing Instructions.
- 4.2 Boats will be fitted with coloured mainsails and jibs; the mainsails shall be 200mm shorter in the leech than a standard 420 mainsail and the size of a 'Sunburst' mainsail when reefed. Mainsails will, be reefed at the discretion of the Race Officer.
- 4.3 Boats will be supplied with red protest flags that shall be permanently attached to the shrouds and yellow breakdown flags that shall be attached to the vang.
- 4.4 All teams must supply their own bailers and optional distinctive bibs to make teams recognizable when racing. Where possible, these should be school colours.
- 4.5 Buoyancy vests must be always worn by competitors and support persons while afloat.

5.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 Registration

Registration & weigh-in will take place from 1300-1730 on Sunday 16th April, at the Mahurangi Community Centre.

5.2 Briefings

Competitors Briefing will take place at 1800 on Sunday 16th April at the Mahurangi Community Centre. Daily briefings will take place at 815 outside the Sandspit Yacht Club (Algies Bay). **All teams are expected to have representation at briefings.**

5.3 Managers' Meeting

The Managers' Meeting details will be confirmed closer to the regatta.

5.4 Racing Schedule

5.4.1 The scheduled warning signal for the first race on Monday 17th April is 9:57, on all subsequent days it will be 9:12.

5.4.2 Racing will continue all subsequent days until Friday 21st April.

5.4.3 No round robin shall be started if in the Race Officer's opinion it is unlikely to be completed (except as provided for in RRS D4.2(b) by 15:00 on Friday 21st April.

5.5 Racing Format

Teams will be seeded into fleets mainly based on their results at regional events. It is intended that racing will consist of a series of seeded round robins, these series may or may not include automatic promotion/relegation between fleets. However, this format may be changed at the discretion of the Race Committee if weather conditions, or time constraints do not permit completion of the programme.

5.6 Prizegiving Dinner

It is the intention that a formal prizegiving dinner will be held after the final day of sailing, all teams are expected to wear their formal uniforms. Details surrounding this will be available closer to the regatta.

6.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The full starting sequence will be included in the Sailing Instructions, which will be available no later than at registration. The warning signal will be made three (3) minutes before the start of each race and the preparatory signal will be two (2) minutes before the start.

7.0 RACING AREA

7.1 The sailing area shall be the waters off Algies Bay.

7.2 Changeovers will be made on-water from a designated station, dependent on which course competitors are racing on. Further details will be outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

8.0 COURSES TO BE SAILED

The course will be a starboard hand 'S' course.

9.0 SCORING

9.1 Scoring will be in accordance with RRS D3 and D4 within each fleet, formed as stated in NOR 5.5. Should a team be involved in a promotion/relegation after a round, their wins scored in the subsequent round shall be doubled and any wins from the first round shall be discarded. Should the format be changed and a team changes fleet on multiple occasions, their score shall be modified to appropriately reflect their performance in the most recent fleet.

9.2 For the event to be 'completed', at least one full round-robin shall be completed. This changes RRS D4.2(b).

10.0 PRIZES

10.1 Trophies will be awarded to the top 'open' team, the team at the top of each fleet and the top 'all-girls' team.

10.2 The top three eligible teams will be selected for an Inter-dominion series, it is intended that the top three all-girls teams will also be invited to attend. Selected teams must confirm their intention to attend within 14 days of notification and deposit a 'good faith' bond of \$500 to NZTSA. This bond will be returned when attendance is confirmed. Selected teams unable to attend will be replaced by teams next down in the rankings to 5th place only, except in case of a special agreement with both countries.

10.3 The winning team will be granted New Zealand representative team status, as recognised by Yachting NZ, should they attend the event.

10.4 Non-NZ teams and composite teams cannot win the 'open' team trophy or the 'all-girls' trophy and may not represent New Zealand in the Inter-dominion Championships. They may however, win the 'top of fleet' trophies.

11.0 TEAM SUPPORT BOATS

Spectator boats shall not be allowed on the course unless directed by the Race Committee. All support vessels shall always have an engine 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.

12.0 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

13.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

14.0 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio & video recordings, and other respective reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

15.0 USE OF DRONE FOR MEDIA

All those who take part in this event as competitors, as well as support crew or spectators, agree to be overflown by a drone during the duration of the event for promotion or media purposes. This includes your person and your property (boats).

16.0 FURTHER INFORMATION

Results and other related information will be available online at www.nzteamsailing.co.nz.

Appendix X

NZTSA will use the guidelines set out below to assess a teams' suitability to be accepted for the event.

These are guidelines for accepting entries to the event and they will be applied in the order below. It is NZTSA's sole right to accept or decline any entry. Failure of a team which is accepted, to not meet any of these guidelines shall not be grounds for redress or protest.

The main two criteria and involvement in encouraging team sailing and ability to handle the boats used in the event safely.

NZTSA will **attempt to accommodate** all teams that apply to attend the championships within the following:

- They must demonstrate the ability to handle 420 type sailing dinghies to NZTSA requirements
- They must show they are actively 'playing the sport' of team sailing.
- They must attend a 2023 regional seeding event.
- They must submit the Entry Form, Event Fees and Damage Deposit (if required) by 1st April 2023.



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Entry Information

The online entry form is the only way to enter the regatta, this form can be found here:
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The details required for each sailor within the entry form are as below:

- Name
- School Year
- Sex
- Date of Birth
- Email Contact
- Weight (kg only)
- YNZ/Club Membership Number

The details and contacts of any team managers, coaches and support personnel must also be provided on the form, along with an indication of what skills your support person is able to provide (e.g., on/off water tasks, judging, rigging, repairs etc.).

Principles verification of student eligibility must be given.

Payment Details:

New Zealand Team Sailing Association
12-3091-0150496-01
ASB Bank Ltd

GST: 079-078-948

Please include your team name in the reference field so that we can track entry fees.

If your school requires an invoice ahead of payment, please let Jamie know as early as possible on nztsasecretary@gmail.com so that this can be processed, and fees are paid in good time.