



2018 Flying Fifteen National Championships.

12th to 14th January 2018.

Waikawa Boating Club.

The Organising Authority is the Waikawa Boating Club Inc.

Waikawa, P.O. Box 52, Picton 7220.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board WBC wardroom located at WBC Club House.

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 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at WBC flagstaff, which is located on the marina side of the clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

4.3 When a visual signal is displayed over a division flag, it applies to that division only.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES/CLASS FLAGS

5.1 Briefing:

5.1.1 The briefing for the National Championships is scheduled for 0900hrs on Friday 12th January in the WBC club rooms.

5.1.2 The briefing for the Invitation Race Fun Race is scheduled for 1700hrs on Friday 12th January in the WBC club rooms.

5.1.3 The briefing for the Lawson's Dry Hills New Year Regatta is scheduled for 0830hrs on Saturday 13th January in the WBC club rooms.

5.2 Schedule of Racing:

Day/Date:	Class:	Class Flag:	No of Races:	Time of First Warning Signal:
Friday 12 th January	Flying Fifteen	Flying Fifteen	3	1020
Friday 12 th January *** (Invitation Race)	Flying Fifteen	Flying Fifteen	1	1815
Saturday 13 th	Flying Fifteen	Flying Fifteen	3	1020
Sunday 14 th	Flying Fifteen	Flying Fifteen	3	1020

***** Note this is an invitation race with the Lawsons Dry Hills Regatta and is not part of the National Championship.**

5.3 One extra race maybe sailed each day. Changes will be made in accordance with SI 3. Race Committee will advise this on VHF CH 77.

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 the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1530.

6 RACING AREAS

Attachment "B" shows the location of racing areas.

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1** 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.
- 7.2** No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the course to be sailed and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

8 MARKS

- 8.1** Mark descriptions are as follows:

Mark:	Description:	Alternate mark description:
1	Red inflatable triangle buoys.	Orange cylindrical buoys.
1a	Yellow cylindrical	Yellow cylindrical
2	Red inflatable triangle buoys.	Orange cylindrical buoys.
3	Red inflatable triangle buoys.	Orange cylindrical buoys.
4	Red inflatable triangle buoys.	Orange cylindrical buoys.
Start – starboard end	R.C. Boat with Orange Staff	
Start – port end	Orange Buoy & Orange Flag	
Finish – starboard end	Finish Boat with Orange Staff	
Finish – port end	Orange Buoy with Orange Flag	

- 8.2** A race committee vessel signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in SI 11.2.

9 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1** All ferries and ships over 500 tonne shall be classed as an obstruction.
- 9.2** There are specific clearance distances around ships over 500 tonne in the Sounds this is a Marlborough District Council (MDC) Navigational bylaw. The zone around the ships extends 500 meters ahead, 50 meters down either side and 50 meters astern.
- 9.3** If a formal complaint is received by the MDC harbor master, the identified yacht will be scored DSQ without a hearing from that race. If the complaint relates to an incident while the identified yacht is not racing, a discretionary penalty [DP] may apply. This changes RRS A4 and A5. [DP]

10 STARTS

- 10.1** Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal 5 minutes before the starting signal.

- 10.2** The start line shall be a line between an orange staff on the Race Committee Boat and the starting pin (buoy) with an orange flag.
- 10.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.4** A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1** 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.
- 11.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1** The finishing line for divisions will be a line between an orange staff on the race finish boat at one end and the pin (buoy) with an orange flag, at the other end.

13 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 13.1** Time limits and target times are as follows:

CLASS	TARGET TIME	FINISH WINDOW	TIME LIMIT
<i>Flying Fifteen</i>	50 mins	20 mins	100 mins

- 13.2** Boats failing to finish within the Finish Window after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1** Protest forms are available at the race office, located at WBC Office at the WBC clubrooms. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

- 14.2** 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.
- 14.3** Immediately after finishing a boat intending to protest shall, in addition to the requirements of RRS61.1(a), inform the race 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. This changes RRS 61.
- 14.4** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after 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 at WBC.
- 14.5** Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.6** Breaches of SIs 10.3, 16, 18, 19, and 20 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 14.7** 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 RRS 62.2.

15 SCORING

- 15.1** 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2**
- a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1** Boats not leaving the shore for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the race committee.
- 16.2** At the beginning of each day prior to racing when the Committee boat is on station, it will call competing yachts in alphabetical order. Call sign will be Flying fifteen and Boat number.
- 16.3** A boat retiring from racing shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the racing area.

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 17.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18 EVENT ADVERTISING

Boats shall display any event advertising supplied by the organising authority.

19 SUPPORT BOATS

- 19.1** Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where yachts are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the start of the first division until all yachts have finished or retired from the race or if the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment.
- 19.2** Support boats are required to register at WBC during regatta registration.
- 19.3** Attention is drawn the relevant local council bylaws regarding wearing of lifejackets and other restrictions.
- 19.4** When flag V (with a long sound signal) is displayed on a committee boat all support boats are requested to remain afloat and assist all sailors.

20 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 communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

21 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

Wilkin-Anderson Half Model - 1st, National Champion

Air New Zealand Plate - 2nd Place, National Championship

Te Wharau Trophy - 3rd Place, National Championship

Tauranga Classic Trophy – 1st place unmodified pre-Sniffer (3079) Models

Tauranga Trophy – 1st place Silver Fleet, pre 3500 sail numbers

Leatham Edmond Memorial Trophy - First male/female crew

Spencer Salver - Best Placed Helm over 55 years

Pinkies Pot - Top Fleet on Average Points

Improvers Trophy (Presented by Rowell Winters) - Improvement During Regatta



Trustbank Handicap Cup - Time corrected handicap scores
Craddock Cup - Improvement from previous Nationals (points difference)
Sam Mason Memorial Trophy - Invitation Race/Race 1
Other prizes may also be awarded.

22 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

23 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.

Attachment A

BUOY COURSES (Divisions 1-3)

FLYING FIFTEEN COURSES

All marks to be left to PORT

Course

1 S, 1, 1A, 2, 3, 4, F

2 S, 1, 1A, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, F

3 S, 1, 1A, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, F

4 S, 1, 1A, 4, 1, 1A, 2, 3, 4, F

5 S, 1, 1A, 4, 1, 1A, 4, 1, 1A, 2, 3, 4, F

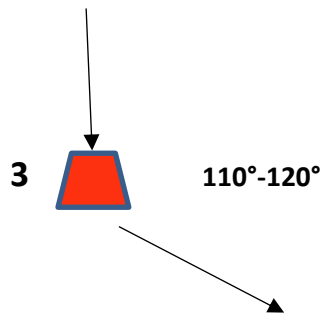
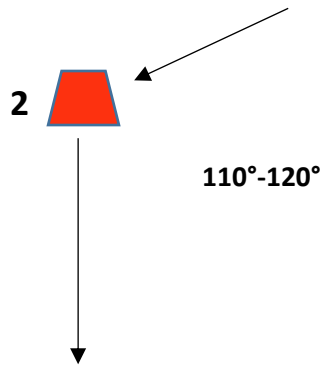
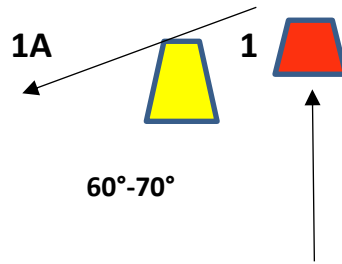
6 S 1, 1A, 4, 1, 1A, 4, 1, 1A, 4, 1, 1A, 2, 3, 4 F

W2 S, 1, 1A, 4, F

W3 S, 1, 1A, 4, 1, 1A, 4, F

W4 S, 1, 1A, 4, 1, 1A, 4, 1, 1A, 4, F

MARKS (BUOY COURSES AND FLYING FIFTEENS)



Attachment B

