

# The Brothers



# NOTICE OF RACE

25 September 2021

Part of the Versatile Offshore Series

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The organising authority is the  
Waikawa Boating Club (WBC)  
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## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The racing will be governed by the rules as defined in – Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS) and the following Yachting New Zealand (YNZ) safety regulations will apply.
- 1.2 All yachts must have a current Category 3 (minimum) safety certificate and carry either a life raft or an approved inflated dinghy.
- 1.3 All yachts must carry a fixed marine VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on all international channels.
- 1.4 All yachts are expected to have a registered Maritime Call Sign.
- 1.5 Competitors shall keep clear of ships over 500 tonne (within areas controlled by Picton and Wellington Harbour Masters)
- 1.6 Safety checks may be made on any yacht at any time.
- 1.7 Should there be any conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI's) the SI's shall prevail. This amends RRS 63.7.

## 2 CHANGES TO THE RACING RULES

Racing rules will be changed as follows:

- 2.1 Yachts with lifting keels shall have keels locked in the down position and not moved whilst racing.
- 2.2 For protests where only a Rule of Part 2 is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to any formal hearing.
- 2.3 Yachts with movable ballast, in the form of a canting keel or water ballast, may move that ballast to increase or decrease weight, or to change trim or stability. This changes RRS 51.
- 2.4 Powered winches, either electric or hydraulic are permitted. This changes RRS 52.
- 2.5 RRS 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of canting keel or water ballast.
- 2.6 Between the hours of sunset and sunrise the International Rules for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) shall apply. This changes the rules, Part 2.

## 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Entry is open to all self-righting monohull yachts of not less than 7.0 metres in hull length.
- 3.2 Yacht owners and skippers shall be financial members of a club recognised by the competitor's national authority.
- 3.3 Waikawa Boating Club (WBC) reserves the right to refuse entry to any boat for any reason.
- 3.4 Yachts must be registered with Yachting NZ and display the sail number on main sail and hull.
- 3.5 The entry fee:
  - \$15.00 per boat

## 4 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 4.1 A race briefing will be held at the Waikawa Boating Club clubrooms on Friday 24 September, 1900hrs. Skippers must attend.
- 4.2 Start time 0930hrs, Saturday 25 September 2021.

## 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The sailing Instructions will be available on the WBC website from 12 September 2021.

## 6 THE COURSE

- 6.1 The Course is weather dependent, and you will be advised at briefing, but is likely to be starting at Motuara Island, round Cape Jackson light house, Walker Rock and Brothers Island all to Starboard, finishing at Ruakawa Rock - Tory Channel. Or Starting at Ruakawa Rock – Tory Channel, rounding Brothers Island, Walker Rock and Cape Jackson Light House all to Port, finishing at Motuara Island.

## **7 HANDICAPS**

- 7.1 All yachts competing will be issued with a WBC handicap.

## **8 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 8.1 Notices to competitors will be posted at WBC, no later than 1900hrs on Thursday 14 October 2021.
- 8.2 Any changes made to the Sailing Instructions prior to the race briefing will be notified at the briefing and posted on the WBC website. All skippers will be texted any changes to Sailing Instructions.
- 8.3 For all subsequent changes, "L" flag (A notice to competitors has been posted) will be displayed, and any change will be announced verbally to yachts checking in prior to the start.

## **9 RACE POSTPONEMENTS**

- 9.1 Due to adverse conditions the Race Officer (RO) may postpone the start of the race for up to 24 hours. The RO may postpone by any amount of time that they see fit or alternatively elect to make a postponement whereby the race start will not take place before a certain time. Any postponement will be notified on VHF channel 77.

## **10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 10.1 Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk, refer to Rule 4. 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 race.
- 10.2 Although the WBC and its volunteers do all they can to ensure the safety of its competitors, competitors take part entirely at their own risk.

## **11 INSURANCE**

- 11.1 Each participating yacht shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) for the race.

## **12 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- 12.1 Contact: Waikawa Boating Club  
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