



2019 CHAINS ROPES & ANCHORS ENDURO 250

Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

9 May – 12 May 2019

The Organising Authority is the Short Handed Sailing Association of New Zealand. (SSANZ)
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1 General and Safety Rules

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 ("RRS"), along with the Auckland Harbour Navigation Safety Bylaws 2014.
- 1.2 All yachts in the Longhaul Division shall comply with Part II of the Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations ("SR"), Category 3 modified as follows must be carried:
 - (a) A 406MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) and it must be registered with the Rescue Coordination Centre of Maritime New Zealand in the name of the entered yacht.
 - (b) A Life raft that must be in service and comply with SR Appendix 2.
- 1.3 All yachts in the Shorthaul and Cruising Divisions shall comply with Part II of the Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations ("SR"), Category 4 modified as follows:
 - (a) A 406MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) and it must be registered with the Rescue Coordination Centre of Maritime New Zealand in the name of the entered yacht.
 - (b) A Life raft or Dinghy capable of carrying all crew.
 - (i) Liferaft must be in service and comply with SR Appendix 2.
 - (ii) Dinghy's must have positive buoyancy when swamped, stowed above decks and be ready to deploy. (e.g. will not sink when overturned, inflated if it is an inflatable dinghy, and with oars installed.)
 - (c) Carry fitted lifelines and jackstays to category 3. (SR 17.17 to 17.28)
 - (d) Carry a floating grab bag containing the following items:
 - (i) Cat 4 Flare pack
 - (ii) 406MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB), or PLB registered with the Rescue Coordination Centre of Maritime New Zealand in the name of the yacht or crew person's name.
 - (iii) Waterproof floating torch

- (iv) Cell phone and/or handheld VHF
 - (v) All electrical devices will be waterproof, or in a waterproof holder, and be fully charged.
- 1.4 All boats competing in Longhaul & Shorthaul Divisions shall hold a current and valid PHRF certificate available from Yachting New Zealand to be eligible for handicap results. All boats competing in the Cruising division will be given a General Handicap.
 - 1.5 Life jackets are to be serviced in accordance with manufacturer's requirements and the necessary documentation available for the Safety Inspector at the time of inspection or the organising authority at the time of declaration. (YNZ SR 17.07). Documentation to be carried on board at all times.
 - 1.6 SSANZ recommend that ALL competitors wear lifejackets whilst underway that meet New Zealand Standard 5823:2005 (inflatable type 401 150N+) with crotch strap, and the use of personal EPIRBs/PLBs and strobe lights.
 - 1.7 All crew are recommended to be clipped on before leaving the safety of the cockpit.
 - 1.8 All yachts must display navigation lights between sunset and sunrise that comply with Part II of the Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations.
 - 1.9 If any damage is caused, however minor, to a Ports of Auckland red or green navigational buoy or beacon the yacht shall immediately inform the race officer and the Auckland Harbourmaster (phone 09 366 0055) of the occurrence and the extent of the damage to the buoy or beacon.
 - 1.10 Competitors shall keep clear of all ships over 500 tonnes when in pilotage waters. This particularly refers to, but is not limited to, ships in the main navigational channels. This rule is not open to protest by other competitors.
 - 1.11 Safety checks of any yacht in any division may be made at any time.
 - 1.12 In the Cruising Divisions, yachts should use only headsails used to advantage to windward (Close-hauled) and attached the full length of the luff to a permanent load bearing forestay. One sail is allowed per forestay. Headsails may be boomed out using a spinnaker pole.
 - 1.13 All boats shall have 2 crew. Yachts in the Cruising Division may carry children under the age of 13 years of age as passengers, and these children are not to be involved with the sailing of the yacht whilst racing.

2 PHRF Rules

- 2.1 PHRF certificate compliance measurement may be conducted at any time.

3 Changes to Racing Rules

- 3.1 Racing rules will be changed as follows:
 - (a) Yachts with lifting keels shall have keels locked in the down position and not moved whilst racing. This changes RRS 51.
 - (b) 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.
 - (c) Boats may use an autopilot or other self-steering device. This changes RRS 52.
 - (d) Powered winches, either electric or hydraulic are permitted. This changes RRS 52.
 - (e) RRS 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of a canting keel or water ballast.
 - (f) Between the hours of sunset and sunrise the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea shall apply. This changes the rules, Part 2.
 - (g) Yachts will be required to operate a Predictwind tracker on a smart phone or similar device whilst racing.
 - (h) Movement of sails not in use while racing is allowed; however sails not being flown must remain within the boat's lifelines. This modifies RRS 51 only as to the movement of sails.
 - (i) Suspension of racing:

- (i) A yacht may suspend racing for any reason, provided that she notifies the Organising Authority at the first reasonable opportunity.
 - (ii) A yacht that has suspended racing may use a propulsion engine, haul out, or make fast, until she resumes racing.
 - (iii) A yacht that has suspended racing may motor or be towed in or out of any harbour or anchorage.
 - (iv) A yacht that has suspended racing, may, before resuming racing, remove garbage, use any equipment or receive help to effect repairs but shall not take on food or other provisions, or replace equipment, without the prior permission of the Organising Authority.
 - (v) Before resuming racing, a yacht shall:
 - (i) return to the position where she suspended racing; and
 - (ii) inform the Organising Authority.
 - (iii) this changes RRS 41 and RRS 47.1.
 - (j) Yachts may receive and use information freely available to all yachts, and any publicly offered internet or broadcast weather information from sources available to all competitors (whether on a subscription or free basis). Permitted sources of information must provide the same information to all competitors who seek it, and must not provide yacht specific weather routing information. Competitors may use any means to retrieve information. This changes RRS 41.
- 3.2 For protests where only a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to any formal protest hearing.

4 Notices to Competitors

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the SSANZ website not later than 1 hour before the start of the race.

5 Changes to the Sailing Instructions

- 5.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions made prior to the pre-race briefing will be notified at the briefing and posted on the SSANZ website.
- 5.2 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.

6 Eligibility and Entry

- (a) The event is open to all self-righting monohull yachts of not less than 6.096m hull length and Multihulls over 8m crewed by two (2) people. (Length as defined in the Equipment Rules of Sailing).
- (b) Each yacht must, in the opinion of the Organising Authority, be capable of safely taking part in the race.
- (c) To be eligible to compete, each entrant and crew member shall:
 - (i) be a financial member of a club recognised by the entrant and crew member's national authority; and,
 - (ii) the skipper shall sign the entry form or declaration form at the briefing;
- (d) Eligible yachts may enter by completing the online entry form at www.ssanz.co.nz and pay the entry fee by 1830hrs on Friday 3 May 2019.
- (e) Late entries will be accepted until 1830hrs on Sunday 5 May 2019.
- (f) In the event of an entrant being found to have made a false statement, their entry will be refused and their entry fee will be forfeited.

- (g) The Organising Authority reserves the right to include or exclude any yacht or person for whatever reason.
- (h) Fees
 - (i) Required fees are as follows:

Entry fee:	\$95.00 (Non SSANZ members)
	\$85.00 (SSANZ members)
Late entry fee:	\$145.00
 - (ii) Entry fees will not be refunded unless the entry is rejected by the Organising Authority.
 - (iii) Payment of entry fees to be made on the SSANZ website.

7 Signals Made Ashore

7.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag pole at the Westhaven carpark tower.

8 Schedule of Events

Briefing: Held at RNZYS Westhaven, at 1900 on Wednesday 8th May 2019. Skipper and/or Co-Skippers must attend.

8.1 Racing Schedule:

- (a) The warning signal for Longhaul division will be at 1725 hours Thursday 9th May 2019.
- (b) The warning signal for Shorthaul division will be at 1725 hours Friday 10th May 2019.
- (c) The warning signal for Cruising division will be at 1730 hours Friday 10th May 2019.

8.2 Informal Rally home Sunday 12 May 2019. Details to be advised at the prizegiving.

9 Class Flags and Divisions

9.1 The following flags will be flown for each division:

- (a) Longhaul Division – Green
- (b) Shorthaul Division – Blue
- (c) Cruising Division – Purple

9.2 Division pennants shall be flown from the backstay or port shroud.

9.3 A divisional flag shall be minimum size of 200mm x 300mm.

10 Courses

10.1 Longhaul Course:

Start, Poor Knights to Starboard, Cuvier Island to Starboard, Channel Island to Port, Finish at Bottom end of Waiheke Island.

Course length approximately 215 nm.

This will be accepted as a qualifying voyage for the 2020 Round North Island Race

10.2 Shorthaul Course:

Start, Flat Rock to Starboard, Gannett Rock to Starboard, Finish at Bottom end of Waiheke Island.

Course length approximately 53 nm.

10.3 Cruising Course:

Start – Shearers Rock to Starboard, Gannett Rock to Starboard, Finish at Bottom end of Waiheke Island.

Course length approximately 36 nm.

10.4 Courses may be shortened prior to the start.

11 Fairway Marks

12.1 The following will be deemed to be obstructions and shall be passed on the main channel side only:

- (a) Green Beacon on Sandspit (SW of Torpedo Wharf by No.19 Buoy)
- (b) Small Craft mooring Areas as defined on chart 5322 including all moored vessels and mooring buoys adjacent to these areas
- (c) Rangitoto Lighthouse
- (d) Cable beacons east of Devonport Wharf
- (e) Westhaven mooring area defined by the line representing an extension of the permanent wave breaks.

12 The Start

12.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

12.2 The starting line will be a line from the signal mast of the Westhaven starting tower to the yellow permanent Outer distance Mark (ODM).

12.3 A yacht starting later than 30 minutes after the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12.4 If a recall is signalled, the Race Committee may attempt to broadcast a yachts name and/or sail number on VHF Channel 77. Failure to make a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12.5 Start times and location for the Return Rally will be advised at the prizegiving.

13 The Finish

13.1 The finish line is located at the northwestern end of Pakatoa Island (bottom end of Waiheke).

13.2 The finish line will be a line between the SSANZ Finish Boat and the end of the wharf located at the northwest end of Pakatoa Island

13.3 Yachts are to call SSANZ Sport Radio on Channel 77 approximately 1 hour prior to finishing.

13.4 It is each yachts responsibility to identify itself and be acknowledged by the race committee when finishing.

13.5 At night a yacht must illuminate its sail numbers and contact the Race Officer on Channel 77 or by any other means.

13.6 Yachts finishing after 1700 on Saturday 11th May 2019 may have to take their own time and advise the Race Officer on Channel 77 or by any other means. The yachts GPS to be used as the time source for the finishing time. If the finish boat isn't on station there will be a Yellow Buoy laid in its place to mark the line.

14 Race Postponements

14.1 The Race Officer may postpone by any amount of time that they see fit up to 24 hours

14.2 Postponements will be notified on Channel 77 and posted on SSANZ.CO.NZ

15 Radio Regulations

- 15.1 All yachts must identify themselves as starters to the Race Officer by calling SSANZ Sports Radio on Channel 77 prior to the start and receiving acknowledgement from the race committee. SSANZ will monitor Channel 77 from 1 hour prior to the start time.
- 15.2 A yacht shall not receive radio communications that are not available to all yachts. This restriction applies to mobile telephones. Boats are permitted to communicate with media for the purpose of publicity and promotion but not to gain information to help their performance.

16 Radio Position Reports

- 16.1 All yachts are required to do radio safety position reports.
- 16.2 Yachts in the Longhaul division are to complete a radio position report with Maritime Radio at 0703 and 1903 hours, starting 1903 Thursday 9th May until finished.
 - (a) Maritime Radio will contact the Longhaul fleet on VHF Channel 16 and advise the channels that the reporting will be conducted on. Yachts shall then select the required channel for their area. **Maritime Radio will call each yacht in alphabetic order, wait for your boat name to be called out.**
 - (b) Boats shall report their position in latitude and longitude (using degrees, and minutes).
- 16.3 Yachts in the Shorthaul division are to contact Coastguard on VHF Channel 60 or 64 after rounding Flat Rock and Gannett Rock at their first opportunity.
- 16.4 Yachts in the Cruising Division are to contact Coastguard on VHF Channel 60 or 64 after rounding Shearers Rock and Gannett Rock at their first opportunity.
- 16.5 Yachts failing to comply with the radio position requirements will receive a 1% time penalty for every report they don't complete.
- 16.6 A separate Communications Document will be available prior to the race briefing

17 Time Limits

- 17.1 Time limit for all divisions is 2200 hours on Saturday 11 May 2019.
- 17.2 Boats not finishing within the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35 and A4.
- 17.3 In the event of a postponement, the time limit will be extended by the amount of time that the start was postponed.

18 Protests and Requests for Redress

- 18.1 For protests where only a rule of Part 2 is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any formal hearing. Yachting New Zealand regulation 4.5.5 will apply. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 18.2 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to a SSANZ race official within the protest time limit.
- 18.3 The protest time limit is 2 hours after the protesting yacht has finished.
- 18.4 The time limit for protests by the race committee will be 2 hours after the last yacht has finished. This changes RRS 61.3.
- 18.5 Competitors will be informed of hearings in which they are parties.
- 18.6 The Protest Committee may apply an alternative penalty to that of disqualification as provided for in RRS 64.1(a). The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI. This changes RRS A11.

19 Results and Prizegiving

- 19.1 Race results will be posted on the SSANZ website: www.ssanz.co.nz.
- 19.2 Prizes will be awarded for line honours, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd on PHRF or General handicap in each division.
- 19.3 The intention is to have the prizegiving on Saturday 11th May 2019 at 2000 hours at the bottom end of Waiheke. The exact time and location of the prizegiving will be advised upon finishing.

20 Safety Regulations

- 20.1 All yachts must carry their registered sail numbers on mainsails, trysails, all spinnakers and overlapping headsails, as well as on both sides of the hull. The minimum size on the hull is 50mm. Rule G1.3 (excluding references to class insignia and national letters) shall apply.
- 20.2 Any yacht withdrawing from the race for any reason must advise the race committee as soon as possible by the best means available.
- 20.3 All forms of navigational aids, GPS, weather facsimiles, radar etc are permitted. GPS should be regarded as a navigational aid, not a navigational system.

21 Engine Use

- 21.1 No yacht shall be under power or tow after the Preparatory Signal. Yachts are permitted to run their engines during the race for the purpose of charging batteries or other functions (i.e. cant keel, operate winches) but the engine shall not cause the propeller to rotate.

22 Disclaimer of Liability

- 22.1 Competitors participate in all races 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.

23 Insurance

- 23.1 Each yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per event.

23 Summary of key dates

Regular entries close	1830hrs	Friday 3 May 2019
Late entries close	1830hrs	Sunday 5 May 2019
Briefing (to be held at RNZYS)	1900hrs	Wednesday 8 May 2019
Longhaul Division Start	1730hrs	Thursday 9 May 2019
Shorthaul Division Start	1730hrs	Friday 10 May 2019
Cruising Division Start	1735hrs	Friday 10 May 2019

Further Information

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