



SSANZ

2020 SSANZ Two-Handed Round North Island

Notice of Race

22 February - 13 March 2020

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This Notice of Race states the requirements that a yacht and the co skippers must meet to enter the race. The Sailing Instructions provide the detail of how the race will be run on the water. All yachts must meet all requirements of this Notice of Race to be acknowledged as an accepted competitor.

1. Rules

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, Wellington Regional Navigation and Safety Bylaws 2003, and the Hawke Bay Regional Council Navigation Safety Bylaws 2012.
- 1.2 All yachts shall comply with Part II of the Yachting New Zealand ("YNZ") Safety Regulations 2017-2020 ("SR"), Category 2 modified as follows:
 - (a) Communications:
 - (i) Yachts shall carry communications equipment to comply with SR 18.1. All yachts will carry a satellite voice communication system.
 - (ii) The satellite voice communication system shall be powered on, and able to receive calls at all times.
 - (iii) Yachts will provide the satphone number and satellite system e-mail address to the race committee.
 - (iv) Yachts must produce evidence from Maritime Radio that transmissions from their VHF have been received clearly, and satellite voice and e-mail communications are functioning properly.
 - (v) Yachts must carry a copy of the "Failed Communications Plan" and store it near their VHF radio, satellite voice communication system and single sideband marine radio transmitter (if carried).
 - (vi) All boats must carry and maintain SSANZ supplied Trackers, which must remain switched on while racing.
 - (vii) All yachts to carry an AIS Transponder capable of transmitting and receiving AIS data.
 - (viii) The AIS Transponder shall be switched on at all times, such that it is transmitting data.
 - (b) Category 2 liferaft for the duration of the race as defined by rule 17.11 (refer SR Appendix 2)
 - (c) A Coastal First Aid/Medical Kit that meets or exceeds the requirements of a "Coastal Kit" as defined in SR Appendix 1
 - (d) Yachts must carry sufficient engine fuel at the start of each leg to give the yacht a motoring range of at least 150nm in flat water.
 - (e) Each yacht shall carry a minimum of 20L of the above engine fuel in one or more suitable separate containers.

- (f) Co-Skippers need to have a method to connect a hose to the primary filter for the engine from the spare fuel container, and the fuel return line, in order to run the engine.
- (g) All yachts shall carry sufficient paper charts and associated publications to ensure they can continue to navigate satisfactorily in the event of the failure of electronic navigation aids. The following list is recommended as a minimum. Each yacht is responsible for its own safety and should consider additional charts for inshore navigation and ports of refuge
 - (i) NZ42 (Cape Reinga to Manukau)
 - (ii) NZ43 (Manukau to Cape Egmont)
 - (iii) NZ45 (Cape Egmont to Rangitikei River)
 - (iv) NZ46 (Cook Strait)
 - (v) NZ4633 (Wellington Harbour)
 - (vi) NZ51 (Tauroa Point to Cape Brett)
 - (vii) NZ52 (Cape Brett to Cuvier Island)
 - (viii) NZ532 (Approaches to Auckland)
 - (ix) NZ54 (Cuvier Island to East Cape)
 - (x) NZ55 (Cape Runaway to Table Cape)
 - (xi) NZ56 (Table Cape to Blackhead Point)
 - (xii) NZ5612 (Napier Harbour)
 - (xiii) NZ57 (Blackhead Point to Castle Point)
 - (xiv) NZ58 (Castle Point to Cape Palliser)
 - (xv) NZ4432 (Taranaki Roads)
 - (xvi) NZ5322 (Auckland Harbour East)
 - (xvii) NZ5324 (Tamaki Strait and Approaches)
 - (xviii) NZ5412 (Port of Tauranga)
 - (xix) NZ5571 (Gisborne)
 - (xx) NZ615 (Marlborough Sounds)
 - (xxi) Symbols, Terms and Abbreviations NP5011 or equivalent.
 - (xxii) Current NZ Almanac, including tide tables 2016/2017
 - (xxiii) Cruising Guides

- 1.3 The above charts shall also be stored electronically and shall be stored on at least two (2) separate chart plotting devices, one of which must be able to be powered separately from the yacht's main power source and be able to be recharged independently of the main engine and operate for an extended period of time. These devices must not be reliant on cellular coverage to function.
- 1.4 Additional safety checks of any yacht in any division may be made at any time.
- 1.5 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 1.6 This racing is classified as on consecutive days, the sails carried at the start must remain the same throughout the entire race.
- 1.7 Exceptionally, in the case of significant damage or loss:
 - (a) With prior permission from the Race Committee, sails may be replaced with similar sails; and
 - (b) With permission from the Race Committee, sails may be removed from the yacht and no longer carried.

Changes to Racing Rules

- 1.8 Racing rules will be changed as follows. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

- (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 rule 51.
- (c) 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.
- (d) Rule 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of a canting keel or water ballast.
- (e) Yachts may use an autopilot or other self-steering device. This changes rule 52.
- (f) Between the hours of sunset and sunrise the International Regulations for Preventing collisions at Sea shall apply. This changes RRS Part 2.
- (g) Suspension of racing: (changes RRS 41 and RRS 47.1.)
 - (i) A yacht may suspend racing for safety and seamanship reasons, but not be used to gain tactical advantage (e.g. to get out of adverse tide) provided that she informs SSANZ 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, 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 SSANZ.
 - (iv) Before resuming racing, a yacht shall return to the position where she suspended racing and inform SSANZ at the first reasonable opportunity.
- (h) Yachts may receive and use any 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.
- (i) Neither the Skipper nor the Co-skipper may be replaced without the prior written approval of SSANZ. This approval may be given at any time up until six hours prior to the start of a leg. Approval shall be granted provided SSANZ is satisfied that the replacement is eligible to compete. The same crew must complete all legs to be eligible for overall prizes.

1.9 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.

2. Advertising

2.1 Yachts may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by SSANZ in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

3. Eligibility and Entry

All required documentation must be provided to SSANZ by the due date to retain a valid entry.

Eligibility

- 3.1 The event is open to all self-righting monohull yachts of not less than 7.924m hull length (as defined in the Equipment Rules of Sailing).
- 3.2 Each yacht must have a current PHRF certificate.
- 3.3 Each yacht must have a current Category 2 safety certificate. To be submitted no later than 1830 hours 31 January 2020.
- 3.4 Liferaft inspection certificate. To be submitted no later than 1830 hours 31 January 2020.
- 3.5 406 EPIRB registration certificate for all EPIRB's and PLB's to be carried during the race. (see beacons.org.nz) Emergency contacts must be up to date. These certificates to be submitted no later than 1830 hours 31 January 2020.
- 3.6 Each yacht must, in the opinion of SSANZ, be capable of safely taking part in the race.

- 3.7 All yachts are to provide a receipt of antifouling within six months, or having their hulls cleaned before the race. A copy of the receipt or evidence to be provided no later than the briefing on Friday 21 February 2020. Yachts are required to carry a receipt as proof of cleaning onboard for the entire race. This may be required to be produced to get entry into marina's or harbour's during the race.
- 3.8 To be eligible to compete, each Co-Skipper shall:
- (a) Be a financial member of a club recognised by the co-skipper's national authority;
 - (b) Born on or before 20 February 2002;
 - (c) Have completed a qualifying voyage of approximately 250nm or more, non-stop, on open water, together on the entered yacht two handed, and provided evidence of the voyage to the satisfaction of SSANZ.
 - (d) Entrants may be required to submit a log of their qualifying miles showing their course and daily progress, worked up navigation calculations, or independent evidence to substantiate their qualifying miles. Yacht Club Officials, Harbour officials or a person/s authorised by SSANZ would form such evidence. To be submitted no later than 1830 hours, 31 January 2020.
 - (e) Have a current certificate from a Yachting New Zealand approved Advanced Sea Survival course. To be submitted no later than 1830 hours 31 January 2020.
 - (f) Have a current first-aid certificate to work-place first aid or coastal medic level. To be submitted no later than 1830 hours 31 January 2020.
 - (g) All co-skippers must supply a medical certificate declaring them fit to compete. The certificate shall be issued within two months prior to the start to be submitted no later than 1830 hours 17 February 2020.
 - (h) Competitors may be required to produce additional documentation following receipt of their entry and will be given a reasonable amount of time to produce this.
 - (i) For publicity purposes high-resolution digital images of the yacht and co-skippers (approximately 1MB in size) must be forwarded to the Organising Authority no later than the closing date for entries.
 - (j) One or more digital colour photos of the boat, suitable for search and rescue purposes forming part of the required documentation. One photo shall be of the boat under full sail.
 - (k) SSANZ require all required documentation, including items of eligibility to be submitted no later than Friday 29 November 2020, unless otherwise specified in this notice of race.

Entries

- 3.9 Eligible yachts may enter by completing the entry form on the SSANZ website by 1830hrs on Friday 1 November 2019.
- 3.10 Any entry will not be considered complete until full payment has been received by SSANZ
- 3.11 Sign the race declaration form at the pre-race briefing.
- 3.12 Late entries will be accepted until 1830hrs on Sunday 26 January 2020.
- 3.13 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.
- 3.14 All required documentation must be provided to the organising authority by the due date to retain a valid entry.
- 3.15 SSANZ reserves the right to include or exclude any yacht or person for whatever reason.

4. Fees

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows:
- Entry fee: \$1300.00 (Non SSANZ members)
 - \$1200.00 (SSANZ members)
 - Late entry fee: \$2000.00
- 4.2 Entry fees will not be refunded unless the entry is rejected by SSANZ.
- 4.3 Yachts failing to return a tracking device will be charged the full cost to replace the tracking device.

5. Schedule

- 5.1 Both Co-Skippers must attend the following:
- (a) The farewell function at 1900hrs on Thursday 20th February 2020 Westhaven Marina.
 - (b) The event briefing at 1000hrs on Friday 21 February 2020 at the RNZYS.
 - (c) The leg two, leg three and leg four briefings at the time and place set by the Race Officer.
- 5.2 Racing Schedule:
- (a) Leg One start: 1400hrs on Saturday 22 February 2020
 - (b) Leg Two, Leg Three, and Leg Four starts: At a time set by the Race Officer
- 5.3 Compulsory Stopover Durations
- (a) Mangonui 24 hours minimum after 60% of the yachts have finished
 - (b) Wellington 48 hours minimum after the 60% of the yachts have finished
 - (c) Napier 48 hours minimum after the 60% of the yachts have finished
 - (d) There will be a mass start for each leg at a convenient time set by the Race Officer soon after 60% of the fleet have fulfilled the stopover duration.

6. Inspection

- 6.1 Every yacht must be in an approved central Auckland Marina with a current Category 2 (or higher) safety certificate and be available for inspection by 1000hrs on Tuesday 18 February 2020.
- 6.2 Every yacht will be inspected by honorary inspectors appointed by the Race Committee for compliance with its safety certificate, this Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and its ability to safely take part in the race.
- 6.3 Yachts that do not pass the inspection may remedy any defects and request a further inspection.
- 6.4 Any yacht that does not pass an inspection by 1700hrs on Friday 21 February 2020 will be deemed to have withdrawn from the race.

7. Divisions

- 7.1 Yachts will be split into the following divisions using PHRF base handicap.
- (a) Division 1 – PHRF 0.9500 and above
 - (b) Division 2 – PHRF 0.8600 to 0.9499
 - (c) Division 3 – PHRF 0.7900 to 0.8599
 - (d) Division 4 – PHRF 0.7899 and below
- 7.2 The Organising Authority reserves the right to alter the divisional split according to entries received.

8. Measurement

- 8.1 Each yacht shall produce a valid PHRF certificate by 1830hrs on Friday 29 November 2019.
- 8.2 No changes to PHRF may be made after 1700hrs on Tuesday 4 February 2020, except as a result of a PHRF protest, or as a result of a new PHRF certificate issued by Yachting New Zealand.
- 8.3 Yachting New Zealand may adjust PHRF handicaps at the end of each leg. Yachts will remain in the same division as they were during the first leg regardless of subsequent changes to PHRF handicap.

9. Sailing Instructions

- 9.1 Final Sailing Instructions will be available on or before 17 February 2020.

10. The Courses

- 10.1 The course rounds the North Island of New Zealand in an anticlockwise direction starting and finishing in Auckland's Waitemata Harbour.
- 10.2 The course shall be:
- (a) Leg One: Auckland Harbour to the entrance of Mangonui Harbour (approximately 154 nautical miles)

- (b) Leg Two: Entrance of Mangonui Harbour to Wellington Harbour (approximately 518 nautical miles)
 - (c) Leg Three: Wellington Harbour to Napier Harbour (approximately 205 nautical miles)
 - (d) Leg Four: Napier Harbour to Auckland Harbour (approximately 367 nautical miles)
- Approximate total 1244 nautical miles.

11. Penalty System

11.1 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will apply.

12. Scoring

12.1 Legs will be scored on PHRF.

12.2 The Low Points scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

12.3 No individual leg scores will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.

12.4 Any change to the PHRF handicap for a yacht received by the Organising Authority prior to the start will be applied for that leg and subsequent leg, unless a further change is received.

13. Prizes

13.1 The following prizes will be awarded:

- (a) Major prize 1st PHRF Overall (lowest total corrected time overall for all 4 legs)
- (b) Minor prize 1st Line Overall (shortest total elapsed time)
- (c) Minor prizes PHRF Overall (lowest total on points for all 4 legs)
- (d) Minor prizes PHRF by Division (Divisional lowest total on points for all 4 legs)
- (e) Minor prizes Line by Division (Divisional lowest total on points for all 4 legs)

13.2 The number of places in each division will be determined by the number of yachts starting according to the following scale;

- (a) Starters 3, 4-6, 7 or more
- (b) Prizes 1, 2, 3.

13.3 Other awards may be presented for noble events and achievements during the race.

13.4 A race plaque/memento will be issued to each co-skipper completing the race.

14. Declarations

14.1 Competitors are required to submit a declaration form at the end of each leg, as provided in the entry pack supplied at the briefing.

14.2 The declaration shall cover details of any of the following events:

- (a) Suspension of racing
- (b) Breach of Racing Rules of Sailing
- (c) Breach of the Notice of Race
- (d) Breach of the Sailing Instructions
- (e) Breach of Harbour Bylaws
- (f) Use of engine for propulsion for any reason
- (g) Missed Position report
- (h) Details of any rule that may have been breached.

15. Disclaimer of Liability

15.1 Competitors who participate in any SSANZ event do so entirely at their own risk. Refer to RRS Fundamental Rule 4. SSANZ will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

15.2 SSANZ will make starting signals unless in the race committees' opinion it is manifestly unsafe for yachts to race. Each yacht shall exercise her responsibility under RRS Fundamental Rule 4 and decide whether or not to start or continue to race.

15.3 SSANZ is not responsible for the sea-worthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted and/or the sufficiency / adequacy of its equipment or the competence of its co-skippers.

16. Insurance

16.1 Each yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of five million dollars (\$5m) and a recommended cover of ten million dollars (\$10m) for the race.

16.2 Evidence of insurance shall be provided by 1830hrs on Friday 29 November 2019.

17. Summary of key dates

Regular entries close	NOR 3.5	1830hrs	Friday 29 November 2019
Evidence of insurance to be provided	NOR 16.2	1830hrs	Friday 29 November 2019
Rating Certificates to be provided	NOR 8	1830hrs	Friday 29 November 2019
Late entries close	v	1830hrs	Sunday 25 January 2020
Qualifying evidence, Advanced Sea Survival, First-Aid Certificates	NOR 3.4(e), (f), (g)	1830hrs	Friday 31 January 2020
Cat 2 safety certificate	NOR 3.3	1830hrs	Friday 31 January 2020
Liferaft servicing certificate	NOR 3.4	1830hrs	Friday 31 January 2020
EPRIB & PLB registration certificates	NOR 3.5	1830hrs	Friday 31 January 2020
Final Sailing Instructions on or before	NOR 9.1	1900hrs	Friday 17 February 2020
Medical Certificate	NOR 3.4(h)	1830hrs	Tuesday 17 February 2020
Boats to be present for inspection	NOR 6.1	1000hrs	Tuesday 17 February 2020
Farewell function	NOR 5.1b	1700hrs	Thursday 20 February 2020
Boats to pass inspection	NOR 6.4	1700hrs	Friday 21 February 2020
Hull cleaning or antifouling receipt or evidence	NOR 3.8	1000hrs	Friday 21 February 2020
Leg one start	NOR 5.2	1400hrs	Saturday 22 February 2020

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