## **APPENDIX 7 – FAILED COMMUNICATIONS PLAN**

#### **SCOPE**

• This procedure is intended for use by the RO, Co-Skippers and Maritime Ops in the event of a failure of communications between a boat on the one hand, and Maritime Ops or the RO on the other.

#### PROCEDURE – MISSED SCHED

- If a yacht is unable to verify that the twice daily sched report has been received via acknowledgement e-mail in return, they are to make contact with Maritime Ops within 1 hour of the appointed time, then:
  - The yacht shall attempt to contact other vessels (either other race yachts or third parties) to relay a message to Maritime Ops; and if that fails
  - The yacht shall attempt to make contact with Maritime Ops by cellphone (or any other means of communication carried); and if that fails
  - The yacht shall immediately make for the nearest place (having proper regard for safety) at which they can reasonably expect to be able to make contact with Maritime Ops.
- If Maritime Ops fails to receive a sched from a yacht then it shall attempt to contact the yacht by whatever means and for such time as it deems appropriate.
- If a yacht overhears a failed attempt by another yacht to contact Maritime Ops then that yacht shall attempt to relay the message on their behalf.

### PROCEDURE - YACHT UNABLE TO CONTACT MARITIME OPS

- If a yacht is unable to contact Maritime Ops by SSB, Satellite phone, VHF, cellphone or any other means, then:
  - The yacht shall attempt to contact other vessels (either other race yachts or third parties) to relay a message to Maritime Ops; and if that fails
  - The yacht shall attempt to make contact with Maritime Ops by cellphone (or any other means of communication carried).
- If a yacht overhears a failed attempt by another yacht to contact Maritime Ops then that yacht shall attempt to relay the message on their behalf.

#### PROCEDURE – MARITIME OPS UNABLE TO CONTACT YACHT.

- If the Maritime Ops is unable to contact a yacht by SSB, Satellite phone, VHF or cellphone then:
  - Maritime Ops shall attempt to make contact with other vessels in the near to where the yacht is expected to be, and ask them to attempt contact; and if that fails
  - Maritime Ops shall alert the Race Officer.
  - Maritime Ops may alert RCCNZ at anytime
- If a yacht overhears a failed attempt by Maritime Ops to contact another yacht then that yacht shall attempt to relay
  the message on their behalf.

# **USEFUL CONTACTS**

Name	Communications Method	Suitable Locations for Making Contact
Maritime Radio	VHF 16 (INITIAL CONTACT)	Most Areas
	VHF 67 (WORKING)	Whangarei, Taranaki, D' Urville, Wairarapa, Tolaga
	VHF 68 (WORKING)	Cape Reinga, Farewell, Picton, Napier, Plenty
	VHF <b>69</b> (WORKING)	Wanganui, Great Barrier
	VHF 71 (WORKING)	Auckland, Kaitaia, Cape Egmont, Wellington, Runaway
	SSB <b>2182</b> , <b>4125</b> , <b>6215</b> , <b>8291</b> , <b>12290</b>	All Areas
	Telephone <b>+64 4 550 5280</b> <b>0800 627 484</b>	
	Cellphone +64 21 831 514	
	Sat Phone <b>+64 4 550 5280</b>	
	e-mail maritime@ kordia.co.nz	
Monganui Cruising Club	VHF <b>77</b> and <b>16</b>	09 406 1499
Marlborough Sounds	VHF <b>01</b> VHF <b>63</b>	Covers Queen Charlotte Sound, Port Underwood, Cook Strait, south to Cape Campbell,
Marlborough Sounds	VHF <b>01</b> VHF <b>65</b>	Kenepuru and Pelorus Sounds, Havelock, D'Urville, western Cook Strait, parts of Tasman Bay, Golden Bay and large sections of Queen Charlotte Sound
Waikawa Boating Club	VHF <b>01</b>	03 573 6798
Waikawa Marina	VHF <b>01</b>	03 520 3395
Napier Association Radio	VHF <b>62</b>	
Napier Sailing Club	VHF <b>77</b> and <b>16</b>	06 8353811
SSANZ RO - Jon	027 477 9745	
SSANZ - Neil	021 766 793	
SSANZ - Andrew	021 377 315	
SSANZ - Garry	027 434 8186	
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