



# 2024 Chains, Ropes and Anchors Enduro

Sailing Instructions 24th April – 27th April 2024

The Organising Authority is the Short Handed Sailing Association of New Zealand. (SSANZ)

PO Box 40-550, Glenfield, Auckland

These Sailing Instructions should be read in conjunction with the Notice of Race

## 1 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions made prior to the pre-race briefing will be notified at the briefing and posted on the official SSANZ Noticeboard on the website.
- 1.2 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 during the check in period via VHF CHANNEL 77 prior to the start.

## 2 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 2.1 Briefing - Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2024, 1930hrs –

Link: <https://meet.google.com/cjd-qceh-xeh?hs=224>

- 2.2 Racing Schedule:

Longhaul – 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024    Start 1305hrs

Shorthaul – 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024    Start 1310hrs

Cruising – 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024    Start 1315hrs

### **3 DIVISIONS AND FLAGS**

- 3.1 Longhaul      White Flag
- Shorthaul      Blue Flag
- Cruising      Green Flag

Division pennants shall be flown from the backstay or port shroud if no backstay is fitted.

- 3.2 Division flag shall be a minimum size of 200mm x 200mm.
- 3.3 Failure to exhibit the division flag may render a yacht being recorded as “Did Not Start”.

### **4 MARKS AND COURSES**

- 4.1 The Race Officer has the right to alter any course for any division on the day of racing up until the preparatory signal.

- 4.2 Longhaul Course:

Start, Shearer Rock Cardinal Buoy to Starboard, Cow and Calf Islands to Port, Flat Rock to Starboard, Sail Rock to Starboard, Finish.

*Course length approximately 140 nm.*

- 4.3 Shorthaul Course:

Start, Little Barrier to Starboard, Finish.

*Course length approximately 60 nm.*

- 4.4 Cruising Course:

Start, proceed straight to Finish.

*Course length approximately 50 nm.*

### **5 THE START**

- 5.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 (five) minutes before the starting signal.
- 5.2 The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Combined Clubs Racing Tower at Westhaven and ODM Racing Buoy.
- 5.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other divisions.

- 5.4 A yacht starting later than 15 minutes after their starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 5.5 If a recall is signalled, the Race Committee may attempt to broadcast a yacht's 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).

## **6 THE FINISH**

- 6.1 The finish line will be in Port Abercrombie, Great Barrier. Further Finish details will be provided at briefing.
- 6.2 It is each yacht's responsibility to identify itself and be acknowledged by the race committee when finishing.
- 6.3 At night, yachts must illuminate their sail numbers.
- 6.4 You must take your own time using GPS time if you are unable to get an acknowledgement from the Race Committee or if there isn't a boat on station. This time will need to be emailed to racing@ssanz.co.nz as soon as possible after finishing.

The email must include your Boat Name and Sail Number with your finish time and, if possible, the time and name of a boat finishing near you.

## **7 TIME LIMITS.**

- 7.1 Longhaul Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 1300hrs
- 7.2 Shorthaul Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 1300hrs
- 7.3 Cruising Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 1300hrs

## **8 RACE POSTPONEMENTS**

- 8.1 The Race Officer may postpone by any amount of time that they see fit.
- 8.2 The Race Officer may also make a postponement whereby the start will not take place before a certain time.
- 8.3 In the event a postponement is made more than 3 hours before the first scheduled start, this will be announced on VHF Channel 77 and posted on the SSANZ Official Noticeboard on the website.

## **9 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 9.1 All forms of navigational aids, GPS, radar, autopilots, etc are permitted. GPS should be regarded as a navigational aid, not a navigational system.

## **10 EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT CHECKS**

- 10.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, sailing instructions and safety certificates. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a Race Committee Equipment Inspector or Measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **11 RADIO REGULATIONS**

- 11.1 All yachts **MUST** identify themselves as starters to the Race Officer by calling SSANZ Sports Radio on Channel 77 prior to the start and must receive acknowledgement from the race committee.
- 11.2 SSANZ will monitor Channel 77, 30 minutes before the start, and again during the finishing of all competitors.
- 11.3 You will receive a race day text from SSANZ.  
All boats are required to reply to the SSANZ text after passing and/or rounding the marks identified below.  
Your reply must contain MARK and the mark number you have rounded. For example 'Mark 1'.  
If there is no cellphone coverage at the required report position, text as soon as you have coverage. You will receive a confirmation on text back from SSANZ.  
In the event you cannot text or do not receive a response from SSANZ you are required to call Coast Guard on VHF 64 or 60 and file a position report.

Longhaul: Mark 1: Cow and Calf

Mark 2: Sail Rock.

Shorthaul: Mark 1: Little Barrier.

Cruising: Mark 1: Approx 1 hour before Finishing

A boat that retires from a race shall notify SSANZ via a "RETIRED" text message, a call to Coastguard on VHF channel 64 or 60 or alternately by phoning the Race Officer as soon as possible after retiring

- 11.4 All boats must call SSANZ Sports Radio on VHF Channel 77 while on final approach to the finish. Failure to make this call may result in a DNF.
- 11.5 A boat that retires from a race shall notify Coastguard on VHF channel 64 or 60 or alternately by phoning the Race Officer as soon as possible. (Cameron Thorpe: Ph: 021 226 7662).
- 11.6 Yachts failing to comply with all reporting requirements will receive a 5% time penalty for every report they do not complete.
- 11.7 Voicemails and text will not satisfy communication requirements for any race, unless they have been acknowledged with a reply from SSANZ.

11.8 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 the media for the purpose of publicity and promotion but not to gain information to help their performance.

11.9 ALL YACHTS shall maintain a watch on VHF Channel 16 while racing.

## **12 ENGINE USE**

12.1 No yacht in Longhaul or Shorthaul Divisions shall be under power or tow after their Preparatory Signal.

12.2 Yachts in Longhaul or Shorthaul Divisions are permitted to run their engines during the race for the purpose of charging batteries or other functions (i.e. canting keel, operate winches) but the engine shall not cause the propeller to rotate.

12.3 Yachts sailing in the cruising division are permitted to motor for a period up to a maximum of two hours.

## **13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

13.1 Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk, refer to Rule 4 of the RRS.  
SSANZ 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.

## **14 INSURANCE**

14.1 Each yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per event.

## **15 TRACKING**

15.1 Yachts are required to operate a Predictwind tracker on a smartphone or similar device whilst racing.

Failure to have your tracker running at the start of the race **may** result in DSQ

<https://forecast.predictwind.com/tracking/race/SSANZ>

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Official Website: [www.ssanz.co.nz](http://www.ssanz.co.nz)

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