

Farr 3.7m class and J 14 Class Nationals 2021
February 25th - 28th 2021
The Organising Authority is *Taipa Sailing Club*

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*
- 1.2
- 1.3 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part shall apply
- 1.4
- 1.5 The class rules of the 3.7m Class and the J 14 Class will apply for each class

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Taipa Sailing Club

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at Flag Pole at Taipa Sailing Club
- 4.2 A boat shall not go afloat until flag D is displayed ashore. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 45minutes after D flag is displayed

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES/CLASS FLAGS

5.1 Schedule of Racing:

Day/Date:	Class:	Class Flag:	No of Races:	Time of First Warning Signal:
Feb 26th	3.7m		3	1200hrs
	J 14		3	1205hrs
Feb 27th	3.7m		3	1100hrs
	J14		3	1105hrs
Feb 28th	3.7m		3	0930hrs
	J 14		3	0935hrs

One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to SI 3.

5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

5.3 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs

6 RACING AREAS

The Race Area will be on the waters of Doubtless Bay

7 THE COURSES

7.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

7.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

8 MARKS

8.1 Mark descriptions are as follows:

Mark:	Description:	Alternate mark description:
1	Yellow Cylinder	
2	Yellow Cylinder 3.7m class Red Cylinder J 14 Class	
3	Yellow Cylinder	
Start - starboard end	Orange Staff	
Start - port end	Red Cylinder Buoy	
Finish - starboard end	Orange Staff	
Finish - port end	Red Cylinder Buoy	

8.2 A race committee vessel signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in SI 11.2.

9 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions:

Taipa Reef

10 STARTS

10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

- 10.2** The start line will be between the Orange staff on the committee boat at the Starboard end and the Red Cylinder at the Port end.
- 10.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]
- 10.4** A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

- 11.1** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to Starboard and the race committee vessel to port. This changes RRS 28.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between the Blue Staff on the Committee Boat at the Starboard end and the Red Cylinder at the port end

13 PENALTY SYSTEMS

- 13.1** For the 3.7m class and J 14 class RRS 44.1, is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

Class:	TARGET TIME	FINISH WINDOW	TIME LIMIT
<i>3.7m</i>	<i>45minutes</i>	<i>30minutes</i>	<i>90 minutes</i>
<i>J14</i>	<i>45 minutes</i>	<i>30 minutes</i>	<i>90 minutes</i>

- 14.1** Boats failing to finish within the Finish Window after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1** Protest forms are available at the race office, located at Taipa Sailing Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

- 15.2** For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.3** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at Taipa Sailing Club beginning at the time posted
- 15.4** Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5** Breaches of SIs 10.3, 17, 20, 22, 23, 24 and 26 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 15.6** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party was informed of the decision on the day.
- This changes RRS 62.2
- 15.7** Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

16 SCORING

- 16.1** 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2**
- a) When fewer than 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- b) When 7 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- c) When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 The Race Committee will protest a boat for a breach of the safety regulations.

17.2

Boats not leaving the shore for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the race office.

17.3 Check –out and check –in ashore:

a) Competitors shall individually check out before racing by personally signing the check-out sheets located at the Notice board at Taipa Sailing Club [DP]

b) Competitors shall individually check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing, no later than the protest time limit by signing the check-in sheets located at the Notice board at Taipa Sailing Club[DP]

17.4 A boat retiring from racing shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the Race Office as soon as possible after returning ashore. [DP]

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the protest committee. [DP]

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the Protest Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or the technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Ashore, equipment may be inspected or measured at times specified in the class rules, the notice of race, and at the end of the days racing

20 EVENT ADVERTISING

Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organising authority
If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]

21 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows:

Start/Finish Boat- Ocean Pearl Large Ketch

Top Mark/wing marks Boat- Black Betty(Black Inflatable)

Bottom mark/ Bottom port quadrant safety Boat BOIYC Davy

Start line pin end mark layer / port quadrant safety Boat Taipa 2(Blue Inflatable)

Tiller steer x 2 port and starboard top quadrant safety

22 SUPPORT BOATS

- 22.1** Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and are restricted to a 5 knot speed limit, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start of a sequence of starts until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment of all races. The areas the boats are racing in is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 metres of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail. [DP]
- 22.2** Attention is drawn the relevant local council bylaws regarding wearing of lifejackets and other restrictions.
- 22.3** Support boats shall be marked with Green Flag flying [DP]

23 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. [DP]

24 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows

Farr3.7m class

- 1st Overall Bruce Farr Cup and Medal
- 2nd Overall Medal
- 3rd Overall Medal
- 1st U21 Gil Galley Cup & Medal
- 1st Veteran Overall Cup
- 1st over 45: Veteran Medal
- 1st over 55: Grand Veteran Medal
- 1st over 65: Great Grand Veteran Medal
- 1st on Handicap Medal
- 1st in Silver Fleet John Kennett Cup & Medal
- 1st Lady Cup & Medal

J 14 Class

- 1st Single Handed overall
- 1st Double Handed Overall
- World Cup for 1st over overall
- Munted mermaid-Top club
- Prize for the furthest travelled

For both classes other prizes may be awarded at their discretion

25 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid marine third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Certificate of insurance is to be presented at registration.

26 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**