



2018 First National Nelson Regatta

Trailer Yacht and Sport Boat Series

Friday 19th - Sunday 21st January 2018

Sailing Instructions

The Organising Authority is the Tasman Bay Cruising Club (TBCC)

PO Box 5062, Port Nelson, Nelson 7043

1. Rules

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS").
- 1.2. The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations of Sailing Part V category C (YNZSR) shall apply to all trailer yachts, upgraded so that all boats competing must carry a VHF radio transceiver capable of receiving and transmitting VHF channel 77, and a minimum of 5 litres of fuel per day of the event.
- 1.3. Alternately, the Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations of Sailing Part VI category A (YNZSR) shall apply to all sports boats, upgraded so that all boats competing must carry a VHF radio transceiver capable of receiving and transmitting VHF channel 77, and a minimum of 5 litres of fuel per day of the event.
- 1.4 Competitors shall wear an approved PFD (personal floatation device) at all times while afloat.
- 1.5 Code of Conduct:
Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.

2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the TBCC.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0830 hours on the day it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed in the vicinity of the TBCC.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'. When AP over flag B is displayed boats shall not go afloat.

5. Schedule of Races

- 5.1. Briefing:
 - a. A briefing for the Invitation Race is scheduled for 1630 hours on Friday 19th January 2018 in the TBCC.
 - b. A briefing for the Event is scheduled for 0930 hours on Saturday 20th January 2018 in the TBCC.
 - c. A briefing for the combined fleet racing day is scheduled for 0930 on Sunday 21st January 2018 in the TBCC.

6. Race Schedule:

Day:	Date:	Racing:	Time of First Warning Signal:
Friday	19 January 2018	Invitation Race	1755
Saturday	20 January 2018	4 Races	1055
Sunday	21 January 2018	3 Races	1055

6.1. Number of Races:

7 Races are scheduled.

6.2. Up to 4 races per day may be sailed.

6.3. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

6.4. Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.

6.5. On Sunday 21st January 2018, no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs.

7. Class Flags

7.1. The class flag(s) will be advised at the briefings.

8. Racing Area

8.1. The Racing area is the waters known as Tasman Bay. Please refer to Attachment A.

9. The Courses

9.1. The course for the Invitation Race will be provided at the briefing and may be a laid course or a harbour course using fixed marks in the Tasman Bay / Nelson Harbour vicinity. A full map will be provided if required.

9.2. The diagrams in Attachment B shows the courses for all racing on the Saturday and Sunday, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.3. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed, and may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg and the approximate distance in nautical miles from the starting line to Mark 1. The Course to be sailed will be transmitted via VHF and signalled using numeral pennant flags flown below a class flag.

10. Marks

10.1. Marks are described in Attachment B.

10.2. New marks, as provided in instruction 13.1 will be Red Triangular or Conical buoys.

10.3. The ends of the starting and finishing line are described in Attachment B.

10.4. A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.2.

11. Areas that are Obstructions

11.1. There are no areas designated as obstructions.

12. The Start

12.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat at the starboard end and the port end starting mark.

12.2. An inner distance mark may be laid at any starting line at which a starting mark has been laid. When the inner distance mark is laid boats shall pass between the inner distance mark and the starting mark when approaching the starting line to start, and after starting.

12.3. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

12.4. If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line at the start signal, the race committee may attempt to broadcast her name and/or sail number via VHF channel 77. Failure to make a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

13. Change of the Next Leg of the Course

- 13.1. 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 marks as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 13.2. Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.

14. The Finish

- 14.1. The finishing line will be between the staff displaying the orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the finishing mark at the other end of the line.

15. Penalty System

- 15.1. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the 'Two-Turns' penalty is replaced by the 'One-Turn' Penalty.

16. Time Limits and Target Times

- 16.1. The target time for the first boat to sail the course in any division is 60 minutes.
- 16.2. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in that division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes Rules 35, A4 and A5.

17. Protests and Requests for Redress.

- 17.1. For protests where only a rule of Part 2, *When Boats Meet*, or Rule 31, *Touching A Mark*, is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any formal hearing. Yachting New Zealand 4.5.5 will apply. (this changes rule 44.1, *Taking A Penalty*). The scoring abbreviation for a penalty accepted at an arbitration hearing is ARB.
- 17.2. Protest forms are available at the TBCC. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the TBCC Race Office within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.3. The protest time limit is 90 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.
- 17.4. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearing in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Protest Room, located downstairs at TBCC, beginning at the time posted.
- 17.5. Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 17.6. Breaches of instructions 19,20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27 and 30 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1 (a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 17.7. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening of a hearing shall be delivered:
 - (a) Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; or
 - (b) No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.This changes rule 66.
- 16.8. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

18. Scoring

- 18.1. 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series for any division.
- 18.2. When fewer than 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 18.3. When 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

19. Safety Regulations

- 19.1. A boat that retires from a race or returns to the launching area before she finished the last race of the day shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 19.2. All boats shall complete the "Competitor Check Out /Check in List", located on the Official Notice Board, each day of racing no less than 30 minutes before launching and no more than 30 minutes after retrieval.

20. Replacement of Crew or Equipment

- 20.1. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 20.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 20.3. Change of sail numbers will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

21. Equipment and Measurement Checks

- 21.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. 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.

22. Advertising

- 22.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. Instructions on the location of any advertising will be provided.

23. Official Boats

- 23.1. Official boats may display a white flag with RC insignia.

24. Support Boats

- 24.1. Support Boats are allowed.

25. Trash Disposal

- 25.1. Boats shall not put trash in the water.

26. Haul-out Restrictions

- 26.1. Unless otherwise directed or permitted by the organising authority, all competing boats shall be launched and retrieved from the ramp to the west of the TBCC.

27. Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools

- 27.1. Not applicable.

28. Radio Communication

- 28.1. A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

29. Prizes

- 29.1. Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

30. Disclaimer of Liability

- 30.1. 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, prior to, during, or after the racing.

31. Insurance

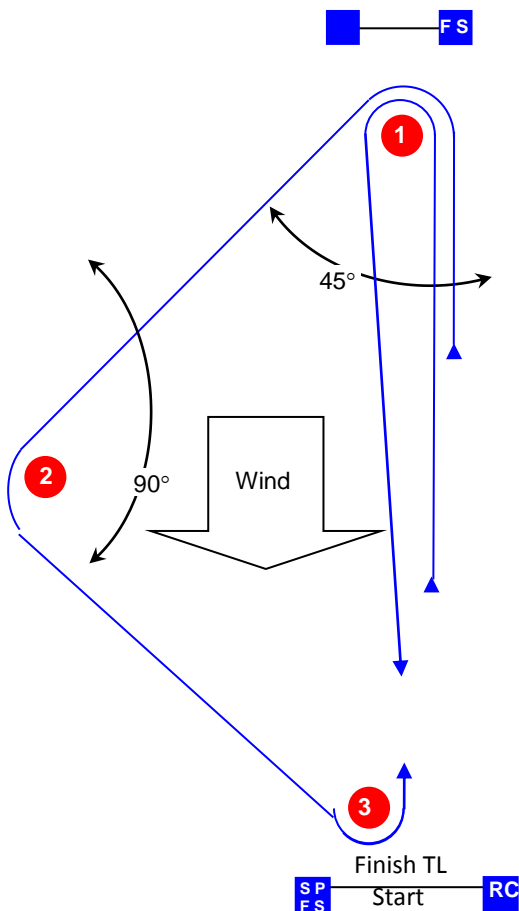
- 31.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000.00
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Attachment A – Tasman Bay



Course Illustration – Triangular / Windward leeward courses

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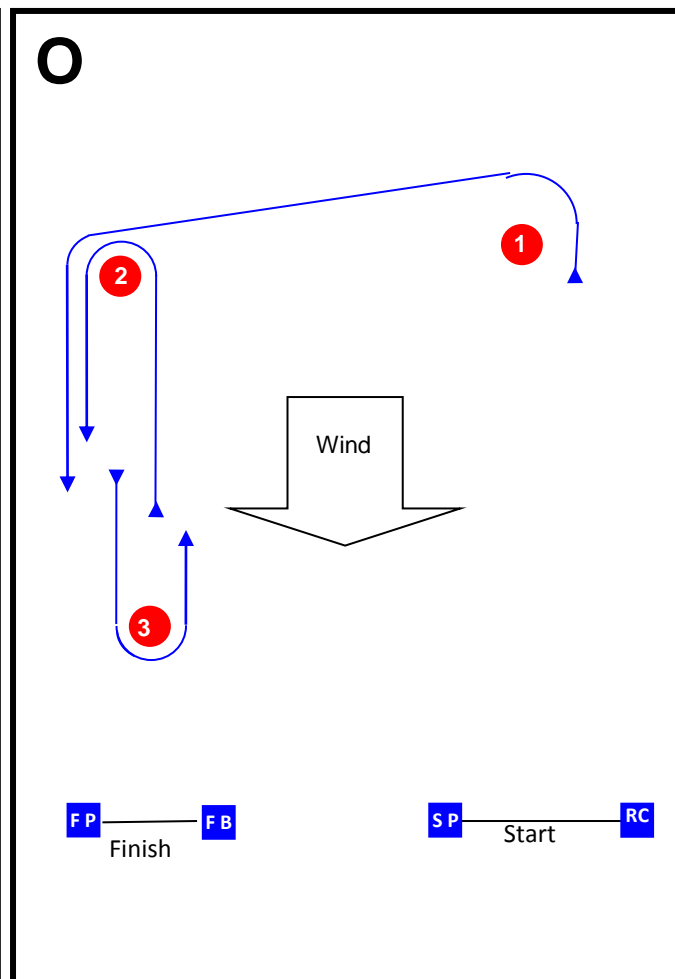
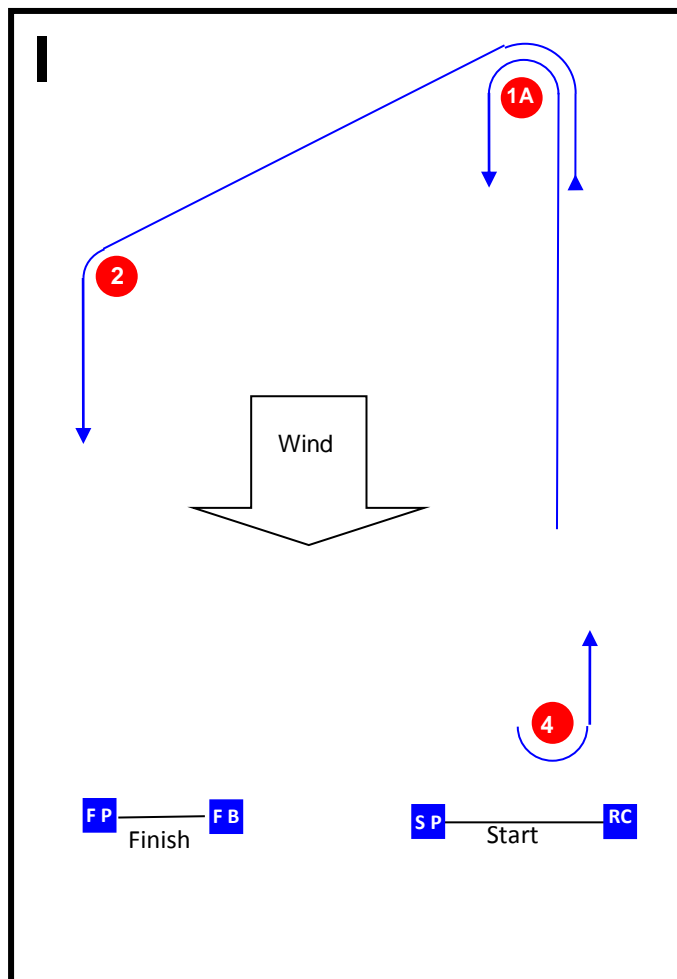
Course: Windward Leeward

Course: Triangular/Windward Leeward

Signal	Mark Rounding Order	Signal	Mark Rounding Order
1	Start – 1 – 3 – 1 – Finish	3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – Finish
2	Start – 1 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – Finish	4	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – Finish
		5	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – Finish

Mark	Description
1	Numbered Orange Cylindrical buoy
2	Numbered Orange Cylindrical buoy
3s 3p	Numbered Orange Cylindrical buoy
RC	Race Committee Signal Boat <i>Antonia Marie</i> – 45ft Launch
SP	Starting mark port end Tapered Orange self-inflating buoy
FS	Finishing mark starboard end Tapered Yellow self-inflating buoy
RC	Race Committee Signal Boat <i>Antonia Marie</i> – 45ft Launch

Course Illustration – Trapezoid Courses – All rounding marks to PORT



Course: Keelboat & SB Courses

Course: TY & SB Courses Trapezoid

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
1	Start – 1A – 4 – 1A – 2 – Finish
2	Start – 1A – 4 – 1A – 4 – 1A – 2 – Finish
3	Start – 1A – 4 – 1A – 4 – 1A – 4 – 1A – 2 – Finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
4	Start – 1 – 2 – Finish
5	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – Finish
6	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 2 – Finish

Mark	Description
1A 1 4	Numbered Orange Cylindrical buoy
2	Numbered Orange Cylindrical buoy
3	Numbered Orange Cylindrical buoy
RC	Race Committee Signal Boat <i>Antonia Marie</i> – 45ft Launch
SP	Starting mark port end Tapered Orange self-inflating buoy
FB	Finishing Boat port end <i>Triomphe</i> – 50ft Launch
FP	Finishing mark starboard end Tapered Yellow self-inflating buoy
Replacement Marks	Red Triangular or Conical buoys