



## 2017 New Zealand A-Class Catamaran National Championship

2nd - 5th February 2017

**Nelson Yacht Club**

The Organising Authority is the Nelson Yacht Club,  
322 Wakefield Quay, Nelson. [nyc@xtra.co.nz](mailto:nyc@xtra.co.nz)

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.3 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 hearing.

#### **2. ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

#### **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all A-Class Catamaran boats that comply with the A-Class Catamaran International Class rules.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to Nelson Yacht Club, 322 Wakefield Quay, Nelson 7010. Email: [nyc@xtra.co.nz](mailto:nyc@xtra.co.nz)  
or by depositing the required entry fee into bank account 03-1709-0010163-000 with the following details:-
  - Particulars = Boat Name;
  - Code = Sail Number; and
  - Reference = Helmsperson Surnameby 1700 Friday 27th., January 2017.

- 3.3 Late entries, accompanied by the contest entry fee plus the late entry fee may be accepted at the race committee's discretion until 1700 hours on Wednesday 1st., February 2017
- 3.4 To be eligible to compete in this event each competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the competitor's national authority and a current member of New Zealand A Division Catamaran Association (or country equivalent).

**4. FEES** Required fees are as follows:

- 4.1 Entry Fee \$225
- 4.2 Late Fee \$50 (additional)

**5. SCHEDULE**

- 5.1 Registration: Thursday 2nd February 2017  
From 0830hrs To 1130hrs
- 5.2 Measurement and inspection: Thursday 2nd February 2017 From 0830hrs To 1130hrs
- 5.3 Briefing will be held at 1130hrs Thursday 2nd February 2017 at Nelson Yacht Club.
- 5.4 Dates of racing:  
Thursday 2nd - 3 races back to back  
Friday 3rd - 3 races back to back  
Saturday 4th - 3 races back to back  
Sunday 5th - 2 races back to back
- 5.5 Number of races:  
11 races are scheduled.  
Target time for each is 60 minutes
- 5.6 Warning Signal  
The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Thursday 2nd is 1300hrs and 1230 hrs for the first race on subsequent days.
- 5.7 On Sunday 5th no warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

**6. MEASUREMENTS**

- 6.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate at Registration.

**7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 7.1 The sailing instructions will be available at Registration

**8. VENUE and RACING AREA**

- 8.1 The venue is the Nelson Yacht Club, 322 Wakefield Quay, Nelson.
- 8.2 The sailing area is on the waters of Tasman Bay, as shown in attachment 1.

## **9. THE COURSES**

9.1 The courses to be sailed will be a windward/leeward course. A course diagram will be supplied with the Sailing Instructions.

## **10. PENALTY SYSTEM**

10.1 The racing rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty.

## **11. SCORING**

11.1 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 (a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.2(b) When from 6 to 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score

## **12. SUPPORT BOATS**

12.1 Support boats shall be marked with the Burgee of the Club they represent

## **13. LAUNCHING**

13.1 Unless otherwise directed by the Organising Authority, all competing boats and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from Nelson Yacht Club.

## **14. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

14.1 Except in an emergency, 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.

## **15. GPS DEVICES**

15.1 All GPS navigational aids are PROHIBITED from the regatta.

## **16. PRIZES**

16.1 Medals will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd in the Junior (25 years and under), Open & Veteran (over 55 years) divisions.

16.2 Cups will also be awarded to the winners of the Open & Veteran divisions, and the winner of the invitation race.

## **17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**18. INSURANCE**

18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of NZD \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

**19. FURTHER INFORMATION** For further information please contact:

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