

PLIMMERTON BOATING CLUB

NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2009-2010 CLUB RACING SEASON

ALL CLASSES

THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY IS THE PLIMMERTON BOATING CLUB

1 The Rules

- 1.1 The Plimmerton Boating Club racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012*.
- 1.2 The YNZ Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply to all Unballasted Centreboard and Open Yachts, Sailboards and Ballasted Yachts not complying with Parts II – VI of the Safety Regulations.
- 1.3 YNZ Safety Regulations Part V Category C shall apply to Trailer Yachts and Sports Trailer Yachts.
- 1.4 Ballasted centreboards shall be locked fully down at all times while racing. This changes YNZ Safety Regulation Part V Clause 7.06.
- 1.5 All Keelers shall comply with YNZ Safety Regulations Part II Category 5.
- 1.6 Each race day prior to racing all boats intending to race shall complete an entry form and pay Plimmerton Boating Club the Race Entry Fee. A boat failing to comply will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1.
- 1.7 To be eligible for Plimmerton Boating Club trophies or prizes all skippers (helmspersons) shall be financial members of the Plimmerton Boating Club.
- 1.8 Non YNZ yacht club affiliated crew may sail in up to 4 races without affecting the boat's eligibility for Plimmerton Boating Club trophies.
- 1.9 Visiting boats are not eligible for any Plimmerton Boating Club racing prizes.
- 1.10 Rule 41 is changed to include "Except coaching of a non-tactical nature by a YNZ qualified or Club Instructor shall be permitted. Outside help from an official club rescue boat may be given to junior sailors to empty a swamped Optimist boat".

2 Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board(s) located at the downstairs lounge, Plimmerton Boating Club.

3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least one hour before the first scheduled warning signal of the day, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1200 hours on the race day before it will take effect.

4 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Club Start Tower.
- 4.2 When flag "Y" is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the part 4 preamble.

5 Schedule of Races

- 5.1 The schedule of racing is given in Attachment 1 "Series Racing Calendar".

- 5.2 Reserve days may be used if races are not completed as scheduled. They may also be used if the race committee considers it unlikely that races will be completed as scheduled.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 0955 hours.
- 5.4 The warning signal for a subsequent race for a division on the same day will be made as soon as practicable after the last boat finishes the previous race for that division.
- 5.5 For back to back races, the scheduled time of the warning signal for the next race will be displayed with flag "L" as soon as possible after the finish of the preceding race.

6 Class and Division Flags

6.1 Class	Division	Flag
Trailer Yachts	Senior	Class flag T
Z Class & Open	Senior	Class flag Q
Optimist, P Class, Starling, etc.	Junior	Class flag J

7 The Racing Area

- 7.1 On the waters adjacent to Plimmerton Boating Club and east of Mana Island. Junior courses will generally be set inside Tokaapapa Reef (Grandfather Rocks).
- 7.2 The setting of a junior course outside of Tokaapapa Reef will not be grounds for redress.

8 The Courses

- 8.1 The courses for each class will be displayed on the official notice board, showing the approximate position of each mark, the order and the side which each mark is to be passed.
- 8.2 The courses will be displayed on the official notice board not later than 15 minutes before the warning signal for that class.

9 Marks

- 9.1 The course marker buoys will be orange.
- 9.2 The outer starting and finishing mark will be an orange spherical buoy.
- 9.3 The inner distance mark if laid will be a small orange spherical buoy

10 The Start

- 10.1 Races will be started using rule 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between the Black and Yellow Striped Board on the start tower and outer end starting mark.
- 10.3 If an inner distance mark is laid, boats when approaching the line to start shall sail between the inner distance mark and the starting mark.
- 10.4 Five lights may be displayed from the start tower at the start of the five minute countdown with one light extinguished every minute and the final light being extinguished at the start sound signal. The incorrect timing or absence of a light signal shall not be grounds for redress.
- 10.5 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

11 Change of the position of the Next Mark & Shorten Course

- 11.1 To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not yet be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signalling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 11.2 Rule 33 is changed so that instead of displaying a compass bearing, the race committee boat signal may display a green flag if the direction is changed to starboard or a red flag if the direction is changed to port.
- 11.3 When a shorten course has been signalled before the leading boat has reached the next mark then all boats shall leave that mark on the required side and proceed to the finish line.

12 The Finish

12.1 The finishing line will be between the Black and Yellow Striped board attached to the rail on the Start Box and the nearby outer finishing mark. If an inner distance mark has been laid then boats when finishing shall pass between the inner distance mark and the nearby outer finishing mark.

13 Penalty System

13.1 For the Catamaran classes rule 44.2 is changed so that the 720-degree turn is replaced by a 360-degree turn inclusive of one tack and 1 gybe.

14 Time Limits

14.1 The target times and time limits for the first boat to sail the course and finish are as follows:

<u>Division</u>	<u>Target Time</u>	<u>Time Limit</u>
Junior	45 minutes	90 minutes
Senior	90 minutes	180 minutes

14.2 For general racing boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored 'Did Not Finish'.

14.3 For back to back racing boats failing to finish within 30 mins after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored 'Did Not Finish'

15 Protests

15.1 Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the Race Office within the protest time limit.

15.2 The protest time limit for each class is 90 minutes after the last boat of that class has finished the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the place and times of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

15.4 The Protest Committee may apply an alternative penalty to that of disqualification as provided for in rule 64.1(a)

16 Scoring

16.1 The Low Points scoring system of Appendix A will apply except as changed below.

(a) Four races are required to constitute a series.

(b) When fewer than six races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.

(c) When from six to eight races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(d) When nine or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

17 Safety Regulations

17.1 All boats shall check-in and check-out at race headquarters prior to and after coming off the water.

17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

17.3 A boat may be checked for compliance with the Sailing Instructions at any time.

18 Radio Communications

18.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

18.2 The Call Sign for the Start Box is **PLIMMERTON SPORTS RADIO**. On Channel 17

Disclaimer of Liability

18.1 Competitors participate in the Plimmerton Boating Club Racing at entirely their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority, Race Committee, individuals appointed and volunteers will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after club racing or a race series or at any other time, nor are they responsible for the sea-worthiness of any boat whose entry is accepted, or the sufficiency, or adequacy of it's equipment.

Attachment 1 “Series Racing Calendar”

October 2009	
Sunday 4 th	PIBc Opening Day. Opening Day Racing
Sunday 11 th	Spring Race 1
Saturday 17 th	WYA Opening Day Regatta – Heretaunga
Sunday 18 th	Spring Race 2
Sunday 25 th (Labour Day WE)	No scheduled racing
November 2009	
Sunday 1 st	Spring Race 3
Sunday 8 th	Spring Race 4
Sunday 15 th	Spring Race 5
Sunday 22 nd	Spring Race 6
Sunday 29 th	Spring Race 7 & 8
December 2009	
Sunday 6 th	Spring Race 9
Sunday 13 th	Spring Race 10
Sunday 20 th	Crews Race
January 2010	
Sunday 10 th	Summer Race 1
Sunday 17 th	Summer Race 2
Sunday 24 th (Wgtn Aniv WE)	No scheduled racing
Sunday 31 st	Summer Race 3
February 2010	
Sunday 7 th (Waitangi Day WE)	Summer Race 4
Sunday 14 th	Summer Race 5
Sunday 21 st	Summer Race 6 & 7
Wednesday 24 th	Secondary Schools one day Regatta
Thursday 25 th -> Sunday 28 th	Z Class Worldz @ Nelson
Sunday 28 th	Summer Race 8
March 2010	
Sunday 7 th	Summer Race 9
Saturday 13 th	Trailer Yachts around Mana series
Sunday 14 th	PIBc Annual Regatta.
Sunday 21 st	Summer Race 10
April 2010	
Sunday 4 th (Easter WE)	

Twilight Series 2010

January		
Wednesday 13 th	Twilight Series Race 1	18:15
Wednesday 20 th	Twilight Series Race 2	18:15
Wednesday 27 th	Twilight Series Race 3	18:15
February		
Wednesday 3 rd	Twilight Series Race 4	18:15
Wednesday 10 th	Twilight Series Race 5	18:15
Wednesday 17 th	Twilight Series Race 6	18:15