

Electron Sailing Instructions

Oceanbridge Auckland Anniversary Day Regatta

Monday 29 January 2024

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1.0 Rules

The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, The Prescriptions of Yachting NZ, R.R.S. Appendix E Radio Controlled Boat Racing Rules and the Electron Class Rules, except as any of these are changed by these Sailing Instructions.

Competitors in the sport of sailing are governed by a body of rules that they are expected to follow and enforce. A fundamental principle of sportsmanship is that when competitors break a rule, they will promptly take a penalty or retire. The organisers intend that the Auckland Anniversary Day Regatta be an enjoyable experience for all skippers and competitors are asked to comply with R.R.S Part 1-2 Fair Sailing at all times.

2.0 Entries and Eligibility

Entry is open to all owners and skippers of Electron Class Yachts, who have completed the entry, form and paid the entry fees.

All yachts entered shall comply with the class rules and may be inspected prior to the commencement of racing. Non-compliant yachts will be ineligible to race in the regatta.

3.0 Registration

Registration will take place at the Westhaven Marina (Marine Industries Association pontoon) between 8.00 - 9.30am on Monday 29 January 2024. All boats competing in the Regatta must be presented at this time unless prior arrangements have been made with the Boatmaster Greg Stenbeck 021- 985-830

4. Notice to Competitors

Notices to Competitors will be made available to all competitors at the sailing area venue.

5. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any changes made to the Sailing Instructions shall be advised to all competitors prior to the start of racing. Should further changes be required the Principal Race Officer has the right to make amendments during the contest.

6. Schedule of Races

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Briefing 0930hrs

Warning Signal race 1 - 0958hrs

Entries will be randomly split into a number of groups depending on the weather, each group will race each other group in a round robin type format.

The winner will be the skipper with the lowest score at the completion of racing. Refer 16. Scoring for details. A Skippers' Briefing will be held prior to the commencement of racing at approximately 0930hrs. All skippers are required to attend this briefing.

7. Racing Area

All racing shall be conducted in the Westhaven Marina (Marine Industries Association pontoon)

8. Courses

The course to be sailed will be windward/leeward with an additional offset rounding mark at both ends of the course.

9. Starting Procedures

- 9.1 The Warning Signal for the first race start shall be at 0958hrs.
- 9.2 The start line shall be between two laid marks situated approximately in the middle of the course.



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11. Recalls

- 11.1 Individual recalls shall be in variance to R.R.S. 29.2 as follows: the Starter shall promptly hail twice "Recall" and the boat identification.
- 11.2 General Recalls, shall be signalled in variance to R.R.S. 29.2 as follows: the Starter shall hail twice "General Recall". The preparatory signal for the next start shall be as per R.R.S. Appendix E
- 11.3 Recall boats, must keep clear of, and, must not interfere with, boats racing

12. Touching a Mark

In Variation to R.R.S. 31 there is no penalty for touching a rounding mark provided that the rounding is completed in accordance with the Course Instructions.

13. Avoiding Contact

The right of way boat shall call at all times, giving the hailed boat the time and opportunity to keep clear. Given the time and opportunity it is the responsibility of the hailed boat to keep clear.

14. Finish Line

The Finish line shall be between two laid marks situated approximately in the middle of the course.

15. Protests

R.R.S. Appendix E 6 is amended as follows. There will be no protests, infringing boats shall, when hailed, complete a 360-degree penalty turn including one tack and one gybe as soon as possible after the hail and before the next mark. A boat performing a penalty turn shall not interfere with any other boat.

16. Scoring

The low points scoring system will be used Discards will be used as follows:

Up to 6 races No Discard

7 to 9 races One Discard
10 to 13 races Two Discards
14 and above races Three Discards

17. Prizegiving

Prizegiving will take place on Tuesday 20 February 2024 at the Royal NZ Yacht Squadron commencing at 1830 hours.

18. Disclaimer

The Auckland Anniversary Regatta Inc, the organisers, and the event sponsors disclaim all responsibility for any damage to persons or property as a consequence of their participating in the events covered by the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.