



## 2022 STARLING MATCH RACING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS – NORTH HARBOUR SELECTION TRIALS

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2021

The Organising Authority is Murrays Bay Sailing Club (Inc.)  
511 Beach Road, Murrays Bay, Auckland 0630

### NOTICE OF RACE

NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS Appendix C, Match Racing Rules, shall apply.
- 1.3 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part I shall apply. [NP]
- 1.4 The Rules for the Starling Match Racing Championship shall apply (see [www.starling.org.nz](http://www.starling.org.nz)).
- 1.5 Under rule 86, Changes to The Racing Rules, racing rules will be changed as follows:
  - i. RRS C3.1, Starting Signals, is changed so that:
    - a. the attention signal will be made at 6 minutes before the start and removed at 5 minutes before the start; and
    - b. the warning signal will be made at 4 minutes before the start and the preparatory signal will be made at 3 minutes before the start
  - ii. RRS C4.2 is changed so that “two-minute period” is replaced with “one-minute period”.
  - iii. RRS C6.1(a) and RRS C6.5 are changed so that “flag Y” is replaced with “a red flag”.

The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.6 The Starling Class rules will not apply.
- 1.7 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be available after 0800 on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December on the official notice board located at Murrays Bay Sailing Club.

## **2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1** The regatta serves as the selection trials for nomination to the Starling Class Association to represent the North Harbour region for the 2022 Starling Match Racing National Championships to be held at RNZYS on 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> January 2022.
- 2.2** The regatta is open to all boats of the Starling class.
- 2.3** Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line entry form on [www.murraysbay.org](http://www.murraysbay.org) and paying the correct entry fee by direct credit to the MBSC bank account (12-3042-0272614-05 with reference NH MR Trials, Name and Sail Number).
- 2.4** Entries will be accepted up until 1700 Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December. No late entries will be accepted.
- 2.5** To be eligible to compete in this event each competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by Yachting New Zealand within the North Harbour region as defined by The Starling Class Rules and shall not have entered into a selection trial for the 2022 Starling Match Racing National Championships in another region.
- 2.6** Each competitor shall under 19 years of age on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

## **3 FEES**

- 3.1** The entry fee is \$40.

## **4 SCHEDULE**

- 4.1** Registration: 0800 to 0900 Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December at Murrays Bay Sailing Club.
- 4.2** Briefing: 0900 Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December at Murrays Bay Sailing Club.
- 4.3** Racing:
  - i. The scheduled time of the first attention signal is 1000.
  - ii. The format of the event is match racing, scheduled as follows;
    - a. Stage 1: Round robin
    - b. Stage 2: Semi-finals (optional)
    - c. Stage 3: Finals
  - iii. The number of matches to be sailed will be determined by the Organising Authority.
  - iv. No attention signal will be made after 1900.
  - v. A reserve day is scheduled for Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December.
- 4.4** The Organising Authority may change the format, or terminate or eliminate any round when conditions or the remaining time scheduled do not permit the completion of the target programme.

## **5 VENUE**

- 5.1** The regatta venue will be the Murrays Bay Sailing Club, 511 Beach Road, Murrays Bay, Auckland.
- 5.2** The racing areas will be the waters off Murrays Bay beach.

## **6 COURSE**

- 6.1** The course to be sailed will be a windward-leeward with starboard roundings and a downwind finish.

## **7 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 7.1** RRS Appendix C7, Penalty System, will apply.

## **8 SCORING**

- 8.1** RRS Appendix C10, Scoring, and RRS Appendix C11, Ties, will apply.

## **9 SUPPORT BOATS**

- 9.1** Support boats will be allowed.
- 9.2** Support boats must be registered with the Organising Authority during registration.
- 9.3** Support boats shall remain stationary at any pre-start and shall remain 50 metres outside the race course area at all times, unless the Organising Authority instructs otherwise.

## **10 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 10.1** 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]

## **11 PRIZES**

- 11.1** The winner and second placed sailors of the regatta will be nominated to the Starling Class Association to represent the North Harbour region for the 2022 Starling Match Racing National Championships to be held at RNZYS on 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> January 2022. There are no further prizes.

## **12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 12.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

## **13 COVID-19**

- 13.1** Decision making on the event in relation to COVID-19 will be made according to the requirements of the New Zealand Government COVID-19 protection framework and the prevailing status for Auckland at the time. Under the Red or Orange settings all competitors and families attending the event must be fully vaccinated and proof of vaccination via a COVID-19 vaccination certificate is required.
- 13.2** If it becomes necessary to cancel the event, payments made to MBSC by competitors in relation to the event will be refunded.
- 13.3** Competitors and families who are unwell or have possible symptoms, or who have come into contact with a known case of COVID-19 are encouraged not to travel to the event, and MBSC will offer a full refund.

## **14 FURTHER INFORMATION**

**14.1** For further information please contact: Vicki Caisley – 021 654 348 or [vcaisley@gmail.com](mailto:vcaisley@gmail.com).