



2021 NZ Kite Foil National Championship  
5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021

The Organising Authority is the Nelson Yacht Club Inc.  
322 Wakefield Quay, Nelson 7010

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI 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 in the Sailing Instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

Any conflict in references to RRS in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions that resulted from the publication of the new RRS that take effect from 1 January 2021 shall not be grounds for a protest or redress request against the Organising Authority or Race Committee.

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event 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 The Nelson City Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2019 shall apply
- 1.4 Appendix T, *Arbitration*, will apply.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the electronic official noticeboard - on the Nelson Yacht Club "Team App".

*Download "Team App", create a profile, find the Nelson Yacht Club "Team" and register in the "Kite Foil Nationals" Access Group.*

*Browser access here: <https://nelsonyachtclub.teamapp.com>*

### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

#### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at Tahunanui Beach kite car park.
- 4.2** A boat shall not go afloat until flag D is displayed ashore. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 15 minutes after flag D is displayed.[DP][NP]

#### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES/CLASS FLAGS**

- 5.1** Eighteen (18) races are scheduled.
- 5.2** Invitational/exhibition racing will be arranged on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February, with a First Warning Signal at 1700hrs.
- 5.3** Schedule of Racing:

Day/Date:	No of Races:	Time of First Warning Signal:
Sat 6 Feb	6	1300hrs
Sun 7 Feb	6	1300hrs
Mon 8 Feb	6	1300hrs

Up to two extra races may be sailed per day, at the discretion of the race committee and in accordance with SI 3 provided that no fleet becomes more than one race ahead of schedule. There will be no more than 4 races in one session.

- 5.4** There will be a daily briefing at Nelson Yacht Club at 1100hrs.
- 5.5** On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1600.
- 5.6** The Class Flag will be a bright pink flag.

#### **6 RACING AREAS**

The Race Area will be on the waters of Tasman Bay south of the Fairway Beacon (North Cardinal).

#### **7 THE COURSES**

- 7.1** The diagrams in Addendum A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

## 8 MARKS

8.1 Mark descriptions are as follows:

Mark:	Description:
1	Large Orange Truncated buoy
4S	Large Red Cylindrical buoy
4P	Large Red Cylindrical buoy
Start - starboard end	Race Committee Signal Vessel (Keeler yacht named 'Coo-ee')
Start - port end	Small orange spherical buoy with orange flag
Finish - starboard end	Small orange spherical buoy with blue flag
Finish - port end	Race Committee Vessel displaying blue flag

8.2 A race committee vessel signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in SI 10.2.

## 9 STARTS

9.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 3 minutes before the starting signal.

- 3 min – Class Flag displayed
- 2 min – Preparatory Flag displayed
- 1 min – Preparatory Flag removed
- Start – Class Flag removed

9.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP][NP]

9.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

## 10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

10.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.

## 11 THE FINISH

11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at the port end and the course side of the starboard end finishing mark.

\*See Addendum B for details of a Grand Prix finish.

## **12 PENALTY SYSTEMS**

**12.1** As per RRS Appendix F

## **13 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

**13.1** Time limits and target times are as follows:

<i>Mark 1 Limit</i>	<i>TARGET TIME</i>	<i>FINISH WINDOW</i>	<i>TIME LIMIT</i>
<i>6 mins</i>	<i>12 mins</i>	<i>12 mins*</i>	<i>24 mins</i>

\*See Addendum B for details of a Grand Prix finish.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

**14.1** Protest forms are available at the race office, located at Nelson Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

**14.2** 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.

**14.3** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at Nelson Yacht club

**14.4** Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

**14.5** Breaches of SIs 4.2, 9.2, 16, 19 and 20 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

**14.6** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered

(a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;

(b) no later than 30 minutes after the party was informed of the decision on the day.

This changes RRS 62.2

## **15 SCORING**

**15.1** 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

**15.2** A NZKRA Bib must be worn in order to be scored. If a bib is not worn the competitor will be scored DNC.

### **15.3**

- a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- b) When 6 to 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores excluding her worst score.
- c) When 12 to 17 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.
- d) When 18 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 3 worst scores.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**16.1** A boat not leaving the shore for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the Beachmaster at the Tahunanui Beach kite area.

**16.2** Check –out and check –in ashore:

- a) Competitors shall individually check out before racing by personally signing the check-out sheets located at Tahunanui Beach kite area. [DP][NP]
- b) Competitors shall individually check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing, no later than the protest time limit by signing the check-in sheets located at Tahunanui Beach kite area. [DP][NP]

**16.3** A boat retiring from racing shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the Beachmaster as soon as possible after returning ashore. [DP][NP]

**16.4** Boats retiring from racing shall in accordance with SI 16.3 shall complete a retirement declaration form at the Race Office before the protest time limit. [DP][NP]

**16.5** NZKRA Bibs must be worn by all competitors.

## **17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

**17.1** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

## **18 OFFICIAL BOATS**

Official boats will display the Nelson Yacht Club burgee.

## **19 SUPPORT BOATS**

- 19.1** Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and are restricted to a 5 knot speed limit, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start of a sequence of starts until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment of all races. The areas the boats are racing in is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 metres of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail. [DP][NP]
- 19.2** Attention is drawn the relevant local council bylaws regarding wearing of lifejackets and other restrictions.
- 19.3** When flag V (with a long sound signal) is displayed on a committee boat all support boats are requested to remain afloat and assist all sailors.

## **20 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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][NP]

## **21 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follows:

National Champion Trophy - 1<sup>st</sup> Male

National Champion Trophy - 1<sup>st</sup> Female

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority

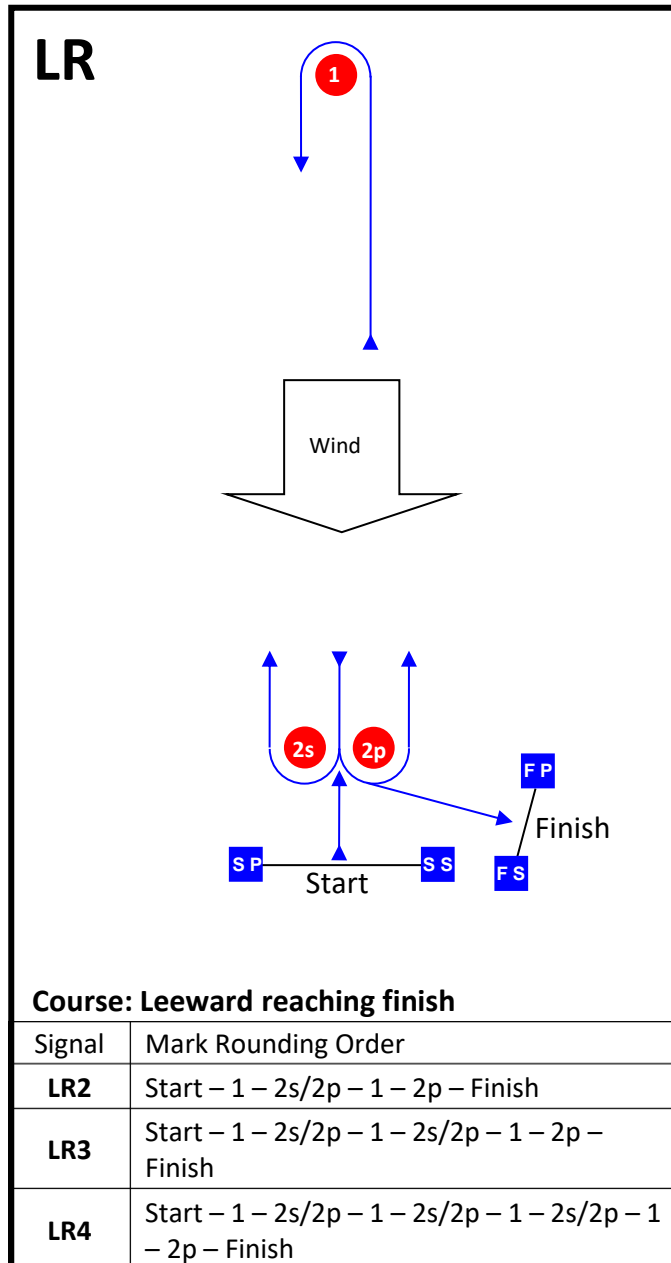
## **22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the event 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 event.

## **23. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS and ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**

- 23.1** By entering the event, competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of them or their equipment, taken during the period of the event, for the said event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

# ADDENDUM A - Courses



## **ADDENDUM B - Grand Prix Finish**

- A) Each race will consist of the number of laps designated by the course signal displayed on the whiteboard on the race committee signal vessel at the start.
- B) A lap consists of sailing from the start (or from the gate in subsequent laps) around Mark 1 and back through the gate. A boat completes a lap when it passes between a gate mark and a mast displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Signal Vessel.
- C) After completing the required number of laps boats shall sail from Mark 2P to the finish line.
- D) When the first boat completes the course and finishes, the Race Committee boat at the finish will immediately display a RED flag with one sound signal. This indicates that the Finishing Time Window is open.
- E) From this time, all boats shall continue sailing the course but when next passing through gate 2 shall exit through the finish line regardless of the number of laps completed. All boats which cross the finish line whilst the Finish Time Window is open shall be deemed to have finished irrespective of the number of laps they have completed.
- F) Their position in the race will be determined from their finishing order and number of completed laps, with those have completed the most laps being recorded ahead of those with less completed laps. Boats which have completed 1 lap will be ranked behind those that have completed 2 laps. Boats which have completed 2 laps will be ranked behind those that have completed 3 laps.
- G) Lowering of the red flag shall indicate that the Finishing Time Window has closed.
- H) Boats failing to cross the finish line within the Finishing Time Window, will be scored after those finishing as described above. These boats will be scored according to their relative positions and number of laps completed at their last passing through gate 2 (before the Finish Time Window closed).
- I) Boats who have not completed one lap by the time the Finishing Window closes shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.