

# Plimmerton Boating Club Regatta Including the Z Class Championship

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**SeaView Sails**  
**Sailmakers**

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> & Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020**

## ***Sailing Instructions***

**The Organising Authority is the Plimmerton Boating Club Inc.  
P.O.Box 54-019 Karehana Bay Plimmerton**

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### **1. Rules**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply to all Un-ballasted and Open Yachts.
- 1.3. The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part V Category C shall apply to all Trailer and Sport Trailer Yachts.

### **2. Notices to Competitors**

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located downstairs in the Plimmerton Boating Club (PLBC).

### **3. Signals Made Ashore**

- 3.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff at the southern end of the PLBC.
- 3.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

### **4. Schedule of Races**

- 4.1. A briefing is scheduled for the Z class at 0930 hrs on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020. in the PLBC Clubhouse.
- 4.2. For Z Class 7 races are scheduled, if required up to 5 races may be sailed back to back.
- 4.3. For all other classes a briefing is scheduled at 0930 hrs on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020 in the PLBC Clubhouse.
- 4.4. For all other classes up to 4 races are scheduled and may be sailed back to back.
- 4.5. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1030 hrs
- 4.6. Each succeeding race will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.
- 4.7. On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February no warning signal will be made after 1455hrs.

### **5. Class Flags**

- 5.1 The Classes and Class Warning Flags will be displayed on the Notice Board.

### **6. Racing Area**

- 6.1. The Racing area is the waters adjacent to the PLBC and east of Mana Island.

### **7. The Courses**

- 7.1. The course areas, the courses marks and the order in which the marks are to be passed will be displayed on the Notice Board.

### **8. Marks**

- 8.1. Z Class and TY 1 & 2 Marks 1, 2, 3 & 4 will be orange cylindrical buoys.
- 8.2. The outer starting and finishing mark will be an orange flagged dan-buoy.
- 8.3. Dinghy Course Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be yellow cylindrical buoys.

### **9. Open Skiff Specific**

9.1 Racing rules RRS 42.2(a), RRS 42.2(b), RRS 42.2(c) will be changed as follows: If the average wind speed is clearly over 8 knots across the course the race committee may signal in accordance with RRS Appendix P5 that pumping, rocking and ooching are permitted except on a windward leg.

9.2 In addition to 17.1 below ALL O'PEN Skiff sailors are required to wear safety helmets whilst on the water..

## 10. Areas that are Obstructions

10.1. The area *Tokaapapa Reef* is designated as an obstruction. For safety reasons boats should avoid sailing within 50 meters of *Tokaapapa Reef* while racing.

## 11. The Start and Finish

11.1. The starting and finishing line will be between the Black and Yellow striped board at the start tower and the outer start finish mark. Five lights may be lit at the warning signal with one lamp extinguished every minute, the fifth lamp extinguished on the start. Times shall be taken from the flag signals. The incorrect timing or absence of a light signal shall not be grounds for redress.

11.2. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4, *Low Points and Bonus Points Systems*, and A5, *Scores Determined by the Race Committee*.

## 12. Change of the Next Leg of the Course

12.1. Legs of the course will not be changed after the start signal. This changes rule 33. However rule 32 *Shorten or Abandoning after the Start* and rule 34 *Mark Missing* shall be in effect.

12.2. Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the shorten course, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1, *Sailing the Course*.

## 13. Penalty System

13.1. For all classes, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty.

## 14. Time Limits and Target Times

14.1. The time limit for the first boat of a class to sail the course and finish is 60 minutes.

14.2. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat of the class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rule 35, *Time Limit and Scores*, A4, *Low Points and Bonus Points Systems*, and A5, *Scores Determined by the Race Committee*.

## 15. Protests and Requests for Redress.

15.1. For protests where only a Rule of Part 2, *When Boats Meet*, or Rule 31, *Touching A Mark*, is alleged to have been broken an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any formal hearing. Yachting New Zealand 4.5.5 will apply. This changes Rule 44.1, *Taking a Penalty*. The scoring abbreviation for a penalty accepted at an arbitration hearing is ARB.

15.2. Protest forms are available from the official notice board. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Race Office within the appropriate time limit.

15.3. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat of the class has finished the last race of the day.

15.4. Notices will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearing in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the PLBC, beginning at the time advised to both parties.

15.5. Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b). *Informing the Protestee*.

(a) On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening of a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66, *Reopening a Hearing*.

(b) . On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2. *Redress*.

## 16. Scoring

16.1. The low points scoring system shall apply, except as modified below

16.2. For Z class 7 races are scheduled, 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series. When 5 or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.

16.3. For all other classes 4 races are scheduled, 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series. A boats series score will be the total of her race scores.

## 17. Safety Regulations

17.1. Competitors shall wear a personal floatation device at all times when afloat. This changes rule 40 and Part 4 preamble. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal floatation devices.

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

## 18. Prizes

18.1. Prize giving will be held on the evening Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1600 hrs approx or after all matters are decided.

## 19. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in all races entirely at their own risk. Refer to rule 4. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the race.