

New Zealand Farr 727 National Championships 2010

Saturday 6th February – Sunday 7th February
Waitemata Harbour, Auckland, New Zealand

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Sailing Instructions

1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012*.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part II, Category 5 shall apply.
- 1.3 Farr 727 Class Association Rules will apply.

2.0 Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the RAYC foyer.

3.0 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4.0 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on a the flag pole at the RAYC Clubrooms.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signal, AP.

5.0 Schedule of Races

- 5.1 A total of 9 races are scheduled.
- 5.2

Race	Date	First Warning	No of Races
	Day	Signal	
	Saturday 6 th February	0900	Up to 6 races
	Sunday 7 th February	0900	Up to 6 races (as required)
- 5.3 No race shall start after 1600 hours on Sunday 7th February

6.0 Racing Areas

Racing will be held in the area bounded by Mechanics Bay, Rangitoto Channel, Rangitoto Island, St Heliers and Browns Island.

7.0 The Courses

- 7.1 Windward Leeward courses shall be sailed.
- 7.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing from boat to Mark 1.

8.0 Marks

- 8.1 Marks 1 and 2 will be yellow conical buoys.
Mark 1A will be an orange teardrop buoy
- 8.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 9.1, will be black cylindrical buoys.
- 8.3 The starting and finishing marks will be a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at one end and an orange buoy with black markings at the other end.
- 8.4 A race committee boat signalling a change in course is a mark as provided in instruction 9.1

9.0 Change of the Next Leg of the Course

- 9.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

10.0 Class Flag

- 10.1 Class flag shall be Green.
- 10.2 Competitors are not required to display a class flag while racing.

11.0 The Start

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the port end starting mark.
- 11.2 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

12.0 The Finish

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark and the finishing mark at the other end.

13.0 Penalty System

- 13.1 The Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 13.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31.2, or rule 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.

14.0 Time Limits and Target Times

- 14.1 Time limits and target times in minutes for the first boat are as follows:

Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit	Target Time
80	20	40

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15.0 Protests and Requests for Redress

- 15.1 Immediately after finishing a boat intending to protest shall, in addition to the requirements of rule 61.1 (a), inform the race committee at the finish line of her intention to protest and the identity of the boat (s) protested against. The protesting boat must receive an acknowledgement from the race committee. This changes rule 61.

- 15.2 For protests where only a rule of part 2 and/ or rule 31 are alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any formal hearing. Yachting New Zealand regulation 4.5.5 will apply. (This changes Rule 44.1).
- 15.3 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.4 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 15.5 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the RAYC Club rooms, beginning at the time posted.
- 15.6 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.7 Breaches of instructions 4.2, 14, 17, 21, 22, 23 & 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat under rule 60.1(a). This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing 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 requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.
- 15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 15.8 For the purpose of rule 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the measurer appointed by the organising authority.

16.0 Scoring

- 16.1 A total of 9 races are scheduled.
- 16.2 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.3 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When more than 4 have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17.0 Safety Regulations

A boat that retires from a race should notify the race committee as soon as possible, either directly or via VHF channel 77. Call sign 'Akarana Patrol'.

18.0 Replacement of Equipment

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19.0 Equipment and Measurement Checks

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee appointed measurer or representative to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

20.0 Official Boats

Official boats will be marked with an RAYC pennant.

21.0 Support Boats

- 21.1 Team support boats will be allowed.

21.2 Team Leader, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

22.0 Trash Disposal

Boats shall not put trash in the water.

23.0 Haul – Out Restrictions

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee

24.0 Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

25.0 Radio Communication

25.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

25.2 All radio communications between competitors and the Race Committee shall be through VHF Channel 77, unless the Race Officer advises otherwise.

26.0 Prizes

26.1 Prize giving will be at the RAYC clubrooms as soon as practicable after the completion of racing.

27.0 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

Attachment A – Laid Courses

All rounding marks left to port

Course Number to be sailed will be signalled on the start boat by flying the appropriate numeral penant not later than the warning signal.

Course 1	(WWL)	Start – 1 – 1A - Finish
Course 2	(WWL-WWL)	Start – 1 – 1A – 2 – 1 - 1A – Finish
Course 3	(WWL-WWL-WWL)	Start – 1 – 1A – 2 – 1 – 1A – 2 – 1 – 1A – Finish

