

GULF HARBOUR CHARITY REGATTA

FRIDAY 12th March

2010

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**GULF HARBOUR YACHT CLUB
WHANGAPARAOA
HIBISCUS COAST**

The Organising Authority is the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club
1299 Laurie Southwick Parade
Gulf Harbour

RULES

The regatta will be governed by THE RACING RULES OF SAILING 2009-2012 the prescription of Yachting New Zealand except as for any of these are changed by these sailing instructions.

Boats shall not fly Extras. Headsails may be poled out.

1. ENTRIES

Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the Organising authority. Eligibility requirements for boats are that they must satisfy all the measurement and safety requirements as required by the Organising Committee.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notice to competitors will be posted on the official noticeboard situated in the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official noticeboard before 0830 hours on the day they will take effect and explained to the skippers at the briefing to be held at 0900 hours on the 12th of March 2010 in the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club, club house.

4. CANCELLATION and SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

In the case of a cancellation notice this will be given over the 1ZB cancellation service.

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag staff in front of the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Races are scheduled as follows:

Friday 12th March 2010	Race 1	1100 hours
Friday 12th March 2010	Race 2	1400 hours

5.1 In the event of lack of wind precluding a start, the race officer will, no earlier than 45 minutes after the scheduled start, issue the GPS bearings of a mark to which all boats competing will be required to motor to and return to the finish. A random finishing time will be selected and the boat finishing closest to that time will be adjudged the winner.

6. CLASS FLAG

Class Flag will be a plain white flag.

7. RACING AREA

The Racing area will be on the waters to the South of the Gulf Harbour Marina.

8. THE COURSE

8.1 The diagram on page 4 shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 The approximate compass bearing and the distance from the start to mark 1 (approx. 2nm) will be displayed on the stern of the Committee Boat.

9. MARKS

All Marks are conical orange buoys.

10. THE START

10.1 The race will be conducted under the Mark Foy Handicap system.

10.2 Ten minutes before the start time of the limit yacht(s) the start line signal flag (orange) will be displayed. One sound.

10.3 Five minutes before the start the warning signal (Class flag White) will be displayed. One Sound

10.4 Four minutes before the start the preparatory signal (code flag P) will be displayed One Sound

10.5 One minute before the start the preparatory signal will be lowered. One Sound

10.6 At the start the Class Flag will be lowered and handicap 00 will be displayed. This will be the start for the limit boat(s) only. One Sound

10.7 For the remainder of the fleet their start number will be displayed for one minute.

10.8 The starting line will be between an orange staff on the race committee boat (port) and mark 3 (starboard), an inner distance mark may be laid.

10.9 Handicaps for the first race will be issued at the Skippers briefing. Any changes to the handicaps for the second race will be relayed on channel 77, 15 minutes prior to the warning signal for race 2.

11. MARK BOAT

A lead boat may be used to lead yachts to mark 1. Failure of the lead boat to be on station will not be grounds for redress.

12. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

A change of course after the start will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

13. THE FINISH

The finish will be between an orange staff with a blue flag on the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end of the line and mark 3.

14. 720 PENALTY

15. TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 2 hours for each race. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish within the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF)

16. PROTESTS

16.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the race office and delivered there within 1 hour after the time of the last boats finish for the days racing.

16.2 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

16.3 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses.

17. SCORING

The Low points scoring system of Appendix A will apply with no discards.

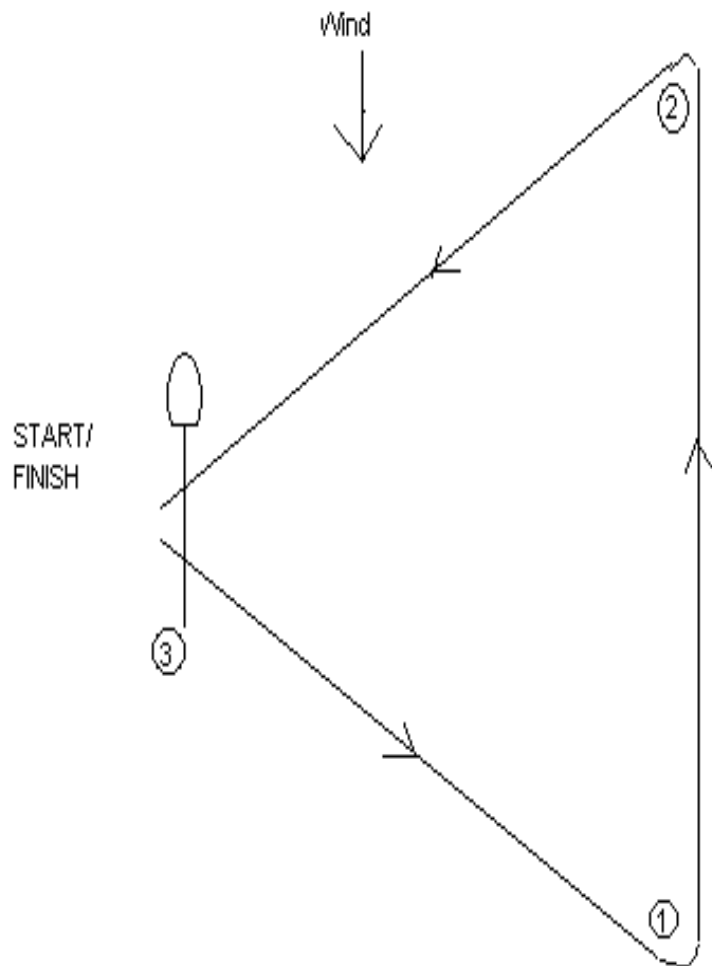
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19. SUPPORT BOATS

All support vessels please give way to racing yachts.

20. RADIO COMMUNICATION

All boats should maintain listening watch on VHF channel 77 during racing. Race control sign will be "Olympus" controlled by the PRO.



Start between Committee Boat (port) and mark 3 starboard, to mark 1 (port) to mark 2 (port) to finish between mark 3 (port) and the Committee Boat (starboard).
All legs approximately 2.0 nm. Adjusted to give race duration.