

LAKE TAUPO YACHT CLUB CENTREBOARD DIVISION

NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS – WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACING 2020-21 (These instructions apply for all series unless otherwise advised such as Series 3)

CLASSES The classes will be Laser, 420, Starling, P, Topaz, Paper Tiger, Open Optimist, Green Optimist.

CLASS FLAGS Flags will be as in Clause C1 in the handbook – Open Class see below

Open Optimists will be those sailors competing in the Open and Green Fleets at the end of last season.

Green Optimists will be those sailors competing in the Rainbow fleet last season.

Green Optimists will fly a green ribbon at the peak of their sail.

Open Class (ie Paper Tiger, 420, Topaz and anyone else) will start under the 420 Class flag

COURSES

These will be displayed at the committee boat's stern. They will be either Windward-Leeward, or Triangular **with a start/finish line midway up the windward leg**. See appendix for details.

MARKS

The marks will be tall yellow buoys. Marks are to be taken to Port. A Dan buoy may be used as an inner top mark for the Green Fleet.

STARTING SEQUENCE A 3 minute starting sequence will be used. First Warning will be at 1757

Warning signal	3 minutes	horn
Preparatory signal	2 minutes	horn
Preparatory down	1 minute	bell
Start	0 minutes	horn

Starts will be at 3 minute intervals, The warning signal for each succeeding start will be displayed with the starting signal of the preceding start.

BRIEFING

For club races this Notice of Race constitutes a briefing. It will be displayed on the centreboard lounge noticeboard. **Any additional instructions will be placed on the whiteboard inside between the changing rooms at least 1 hour before the start.** Courses will be displayed on the Committee Boat.

1. Know the possible courses before heading out of the water.
2. Please stay out of the starting area until the warning signal for your Class. Remember that the Committee Boat is a mark on the course – do not touch it.
3. Once finished do not re-cross the finish line otherwise you will be recorded as DSQ.
4. We will endeavour to complete the races scheduled above (ie mostly 2 races per night). This is weather, light and time dependent. All sailors are reminded to know the meaning of the Flags especially Flag S and Flags N over A.
5. If weather conditions are favourable the Race Officer may sail an additional race if a race or races have been postponed in previous weeks. This will be notified on the whiteboard prior to racing if the RO intends to do this.
6. You may sail through the start-finish line whilst racing.

SAFETY

The YNZ and Club rules re safety boats will be strictly observed. ie 1 safety boat for every 10 competing boats. If insufficient fully crewed safety boats are available, the races for one or more classes will be postponed to the following week. Races for one or more classes may be postponed if sailing conditions are unfavourable.

All sailors must sign on and off in the centreboard lounge.

Reminders: No boat shall leave the beach until Flag D is flown from the Tower. Leaving the beach prior to Flag D being flown will result in a DSQ result without a right for redress. The flow of the Waikato River can be very strong. All sailors are to avoid sailing too close to the channel and/or floatplane area. Remember there is a no boat -swimming only zone at the floatplane end of the beach.

All sailors are also reminded to avoid the trailer yachts when returning to the beach as they may be still racing.

GREEN FLEET OPTIMISTS - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

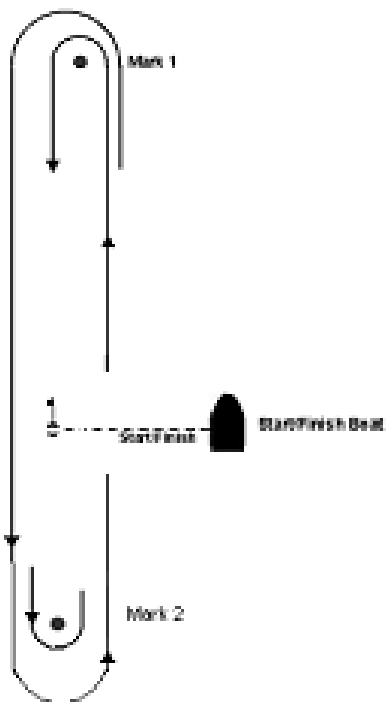
In this first Series there will be a special briefing for our Green Fleet in the centreboard lounge at 5.15pm on each Wednesday prior to leaving the beach. This is to advise as to the courses and starting sequence so that the Green Fleet can get up to speed with the rules of racing. It is very important that you know whether you are on port or starboard as this is the give way rule no matter whether you are an Opti or Laser sailor!

Your courses will be either a triangle or Windward/Leeward (sausage). You go around the mark with the mark on the Port side (left side) of your boat

It shall be at the discretion of the Race Committee if the Green Fleet sails depending on weather conditions and ability of sailors. We really want to see as many of last years Rainbow Fleet sailing again and the more time you spend on the water the more experienced you will get. This water is cold in this Series so all sailors must wear wetsuits and warm gear (hats etc) to avoid getting cold.

Appendix – Illustrating the Courses

Windward Leeward W1, W2, W3, W4

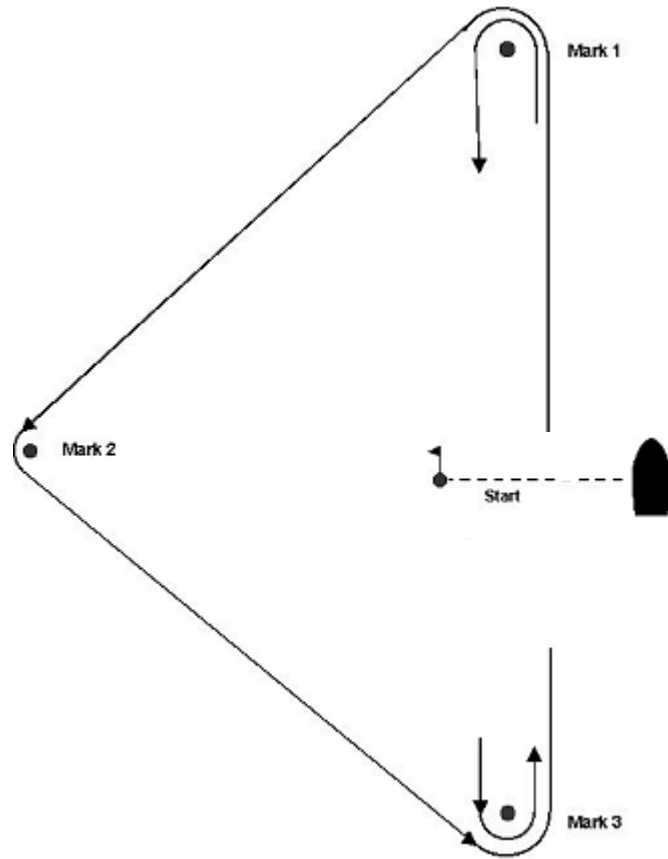


Courses

- W 1** **Start 1 - 2- Finish**
- W 2** **Start - 1 - 2 - 1- 2 - Finish**
- W 3** **Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 -1 - 2 - Finish**
- W 4** **Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 -1 - 2 - Finish**

Course: Triangle

T1, T2, T3



- T1 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 - Finish
- T2 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 Finish
- T3 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 - Finish