



Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions
Single Handed Race
Sunday 10 Jan 2021

1. **Invitation** – NCYC extends an invitation to owners/skippers of eligible yachts to compete in a NCYC Single Handed Race.
2. **Rules** – The race will be governed by the COLREGS and this combined Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions. The Racing Rules of Sailing do not apply.
3. **Eligibility** - All NCYC yachts satisfying the requirements of Maritime Safety Queensland for the type of boat sailing in partially smooth waters and capable of safely completing the course are eligible.
4. **Auto Steering** –The requirement for auto steering is generally in accordance with recognized international rules for short-handed ocean sailing events. For this event, all boats must have either automatic steering or an alternate passive means of safely securing an unattended helm.
5. **Entry fee** – This is an NCYC member only event and therefore no entry fees apply.
6. **Entering the event** – Yachts wishing to enter shall do so by logging on to the website. Alternatively by logging on via VHF channel 77 to NCYC Race Control at least 15 minutes prior to the start.
7. **Start** – The start will be at precisely 11:00am GPS time. No signals will be given. The start position will be the Northern Start Line a) or the Western start line b) as determined by the instructions for the course to be sailed.
 - a) A 200 metre extension of an imaginary line from the Green lateral mark to the South of the Green lateral mark at the entrance to the Newport Leads. (North line)
 - b) A 200 metre extension of an imaginary line from the Red lateral mark through the Green lateral mark at the entrance to the Newport Leads. (West line)
8. **Extras** – This is a no extras race.
9. **Course** – The course for this event will be a nominated course as published under NCYC Courses on the website and will be displayed on the logon page.

10. **Shortening of course** - A shortened course will be announced via VHF77.

11. **Finish** – The finish position will be the Northern finish Line or the Western finish line as determined by the instructions for the course to be sailed.

- a) A 100 metre extension of an imaginary line from the Green lateral marker to the South of the Green lateral mark at the entrance to the Newport Leads. (North line)
- b) A 100 metre extension of an imaginary line from the Red lateral mark through the Green lateral mark at the entrance to the Newport Leads. (West line)

12. **Additional Safety Requirements**

NCYC requires single handed sailors to wear an approved PFD and/or a tethered safety harness at all times during the event. This includes the start sequence.

NCYC requires if practical, that single handed sailors to keep their engines running in neutral prior to, during and after the start until well clear of the start line. It is strongly advised to engage the motor in forward or reverse if necessary to avoid a collision. Once clear of conflict the race may be resumed without penalty.

All yachts are required to maintain a radio watch on VHF 77 at all times while racing.

Maritime Safety Queensland requires all participating yachts to comply with all licensing and registration conditions required for Queensland.

All yachts and participating personnel must also comply with all rules and legislations that are in place for Queensland ships.

Entrants are to familiarize themselves with the NCYC On-water Emergency Response Plan.

NCYC strives to be an inclusive club. Skippers with specific handicaps, such as sight impairment may request a safety officer to be on board. If authorized, the official's role is to maintain a lookout for collision avoidance.

The official may take no part in the physical or tactical operation of the yacht or offer advice. Should the official be required to intervene in any capacity the boat will be classed as DNF.

13. **Handicaps**

Handicaps will be assigned to yachts generally in accordance with the guidelines detailed in the NCYC Handbook.

Handicaps are as per current club handicaps.

Current non-spinnaker handicaps apply to this event.

The handicapper's decision will be final. The results of this event will not affect other event handicaps.

14. **Sailing instructions** –All required instructions are within this document.

15. **Insurance** - It is a condition of entry that each boat be covered by third party property and public liability insurance of at least \$10,000,000.

16. Consideration should be given as to whether your insurance policy covers you for this event.

17. **Presentation and Prizes** – Announcement of results and prize giving will take place at the NCYC Clubhouse at Compass Marina.

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