

# 2020 Auckland Finn Class Championships

10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020, Tamaki  
Yacht Club, 30 Tamaki Drive, Orakei  
Auckland, New Zealand

The organising authority is the Tamaki Yacht Club,  
Auckland, New Zealand  
In association with the New Zealand Finn Association.

## Sailing Instructions

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.3 The Rules of the International Finn Class shall apply.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.5 Boats shall at all times observe the Auckland Council Navigation Safety bylaws in particular Part 8, 55. A Moving prohibited zone.
  - (1) "A moving prohibited zone extending to 100m astern and 100m to each side of a large vessel, and continued at such width to 500m ahead, following the line of the buoyed channel when changing course, is reserved around a large vessel, when that large vessel is underway within the pilotage areas of Auckland (excluding Tamaki River) and Manukau.
  - (2) "When navigating within a marked channel, the moving prohibited zone to the side of the vessel is reduced to the width of the marked channel and the zone ahead of the vessel shall follow the line of the marked channel."
  - (3) The owner or person in charge of a vessel must not navigate the vessel within the moving prohibited Zone of a large vessel, within the pilotage areas of Auckland (excluding Tamaki River) and Manukau.
  - (4) For the purpose of this clause, a tug and barge is considered a composite unit.

### 2. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 2.1 Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.

### 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located inside the Tamaki Yacht Club.
- 3.2 A regatta briefing for competitors will be held at the Tamaki Yacht Club at 1200hrs Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

## 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Finn class.

4.3 Entries will be accepted until 1100hrs, 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at the Tamaki Yacht Club

4.4 To be eligible to compete in this event each competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the competitor's national authority.

4.5 Each competitor, entrant and crew members shall be a financial member of the New Zealand Finn Association or a National Association recognised by the IFA. Proof of membership must be provided at registration

## 5 FEES

5.1 Required fees are as follows: \$100 per entrant

## 6. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND SIGNALS ASHORE.

6.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900hrs on the day that it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800hrs on the day before it will take effect.

6.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole located at the Tamaki Sailing Club.

## 7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1

Day	Date	No. of Races	Time of first Warning Signal
Saturday	10 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	3 back to back	1415hrs
Sunday	11 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	3 back to back	1000hrs

7.2 To alert boats that a race or schedule of races will begin soon, the orange starting flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least five (5) minutes before a warning signal is made.

7.3 On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020 no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs.

## 8. FLAGS

8.1 The class flag will be the Finn class insignia on a white background.

## 9. THE COURSES:

9.1 The course for Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020 shall be Windward/Leeward with a beat to finish. The course for Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020 shall be Windward/Leeward with downwind finish.

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display, on the stern of vessel 'Tamaki, the course and the approximate bearing to the first mark

## 10. MARKS

10.1 All course marks will be described at the regatta briefing.

**11. 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(4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4, *Low Point System*, and A5, *Scores Determined By The Race Committee*.

**12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 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 the original mark.
- 12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28, *Sailing The Course*.

**13. THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the course side of the finishing mark at the other end.

**14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

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<b>Time Limit</b> 80 minutes	<b>Mark 1 time limit</b> 20 minutes	<b>Target time</b> 35 Minutes
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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), *Redress*.

- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, Time Limit and Scores, A4 ,Low Point And Bonus Point Systems, and A5, Scores Determined By The Race Committee.

**15. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 to take a penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a scoring penalty as calculated in rule 44.3(c) equal to 40% of the number of entries in her fleet or 50% of the difference between her finishing position and the number of entries in her fleet, whichever is less.
- 15.2 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.

**16. SCORING:**

- 16.1 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2 (a) When fewer than Five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her races.  
(b) When from Five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

**18. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1 Competitors or their representatives shall check out each time they leave the shore to enter the course area, and shall check in each time they come ashore from the course.
- 18.2 The check in and out will be located in the Tamaki Yacht Club.

- 18.3 A boat that retires from a race or returns to the launching area before she has finished the last race of the day shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

**19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee.  
Requests for substitution shall be made to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.3 Change of sail numbers will not be allowed without written approval of the race committee.

**20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS.**

- 20.1 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 equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

**21. EVENT ADVERTISING**

- 21.1 Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the organising authority.

**22. OFFICIAL BOATS**

- 22.1 Official boats will be marked by flying the Tamaki Yacht Club flag.

**23. SUPPORT BOATS.**

- 23.1 Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and are restricted to a 5 knot speed limit, from the time of the preparatory signal from the first start of a sequence of starts until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment of all races. The areas the boats are racing is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 metres of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail.
- 23.2 Attention is drawn to the relevant local council bylaws regarding wearing of life jackets and other restrictions. A copy of these is on the official noticeboard located in the Tamaki Yacht Club.
- 23.3 When flag W (with a long sound signal) is displayed on a committee boat all support boats are requested to remain afloat and help all sailors.
- 23.4 Support boats shall be marked with the country code and the sail number/s of the boat/s that they are supporting.

**24. TRASH DISPOSAL**

- 24.1 Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

**25. 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 phones.

**26. PRIZEGIVING**

- 26.1 Prizegiving will be held in the Tamaki Sailing Club as soon as possible after the completion of the last race.
- 26.2 Perpetual Trophy will be awarded for the Auckland Championship

**27. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

27.1 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.