



Notice of Race

Harbour & Passage Series 2026-2027

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*In conjunction with Auckland Anniversary Regatta Inc, Devonport Yacht Club, Ponsonby Cruising Club,
Royal Akarana Yacht Club and Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron*

This Notice of Race only applies to the CYANZ organized Passage Series races. Respective organising host club's Notice of Race shall apply for all other races, refer to 4.0 Schedule of Events for details.

Amendment One: 4.1 Harbour Race 2 added on 17/10/2026 includes 9.5 discard of two races after 5 races are completed

1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The Races will be governed by the Rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations (as below) shall apply:
 - a) Part II Category 5 shall apply to all Harbour Series Races
 - b) Part II Category 4 shall apply to all Passage Series races. It is recommended that all boats shall carry an inflated dinghy, a life raft or tow a rigid dinghy capable of carrying the entire crew as per Yachting NZ Safety Regulations.
- 1.3 Attention is drawn to regulation 23 relating to classic yachts.
- 1.4 Rules of RRS Part 2 will be altered during the races between the hours of official sunset and sunrise to give precedence to the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea.
- 1.5 The Sailing Instructions will consist of the CYA Standard Sailing Instructions and host Club Sailing Instructions.
- 1.6 Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.

2.0 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The Series and individual races are open to current members of the CYANZ and whose boats meet the following CYANZ requirement criteria:
 - a) Classic Yachts designed or built prior to 31 December 1949, includes the K Class;
 - b) Modern Classic Yachts designed or built of traditional materials of the day post 1949 and prior to 31 December 1970 or who comply with the CYANZ Policy. Copy available on request or at www.classicyacht.org.nz.

3.0 Entry Fees

Series	Races	Series Entry Fee (\$)	Individual Race Entry Fee
Harbour	6	\$200.00	\$50
Passage	6	\$200.00	\$50
Harbour & Passage	12	\$300.00	

- 3.1 Entries should be made online via TopYacht at: www.classicyacht.org.nz
Please note: For both the Harbour & Passage Series there must be a minimum of 3 boats entered into the Series to form a Series Division and qualify for Series prizes. If there are less than 3 boats entered into the Series all entrants will be treated as casual entries.
NOTE: 50% payment may be made prior to entry and remaining 50% by 31 January 2027.
- 3.2 Series entries will be accepted until Wednesday 23 September 2026 at 1700hrs.
- 3.3 Late Series entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Committee but will not be accepted after the first two races in the relevant Series have been completed.
- 3.4 Casual individual race entries will be accepted by the CYANZ until 1700hrs on the Wednesday prior to the race.

4.0 Schedule of Events

4.1 The schedule of Harbour Series races: Race 2 Harbour Race added

Race No.	Date	Event	Organising Yacht Club
1	26/09/2026	Opening Day race	RNZYS
2	17/10/2026	Harbour Race	PCC
3	7/11/2026	Upper Harbour Regatta race 1	PCC
4	7/11/2026	Upper Harbour Regatta race 2	PCC
5	13/02/2027	Duder Cup	DYC
6	6/03/2027	Bruce Tantrum Memorial Race	RAYC
7	17/04/2027	Vintage & Veterans	PCC

The schedule of Passage Series races:

Race No.	Date	Event	Organising Yacht Club
1	31/10/2026	Icebreaker	DYC
2	21/11/2026	John Sreet Memorial Race	RAYC
3	12/12/2026	Patio Bay Race	CYA
4	29/01/2027	Night Race to Mahurangi	DYC
5	20/02/2027	Kennedy Bay Race	CYA
6	03/04/2027	Round Rangitoto Race	CYA

5.0 Sailing Instructions

- 5.1 The Harbour Series Sailing Instructions will consist of the Sailing Instructions from the relevant organising Yacht Club which will be available online at: www.classicyacht.org.nz by 20 September 2026.
- 5.2 The Passage Series Sailing Instructions will consist of CYANZ Sailing Instructions and the relevant organising Yacht Club and be available online at: www.classicyacht.org.nz by 20 September 2026.

6.0 Racing Area & Courses

- 6.1 The races will be held on the Waitemata Harbour and Hauraki Gulf.
- 6.2 The courses are prescribed in the CYANZ and organising Yacht Club Sailing Instructions.

7.0 Measurement

- 7.1 A boat shall comply with CYA Policy document guidelines found at www.classicyacht.org.nz.

8.0 Divisions:

Division	Requirements	Flag
A Classic	Over 38'	Black
B Classic	Under 38'	Green
Modern		White
Townson Division		Yellow

9.0 Scoring

- 9.1 The races shall be scored as per RRS Appendix A using the Low Point system.
- 9.2 Still Racing Score (SRS):
Boats finishing the race after the time limit stated in the sailing instructions will be scored SRS instead of DNF. If the boat is in the series, said boat will receive a score of the number of boats across the finish line + 1 and will never exceed the DNF score.
This amends RRS A5.3.
- 9.3 Only series entrants will be eligible for series scores. This changes RRS A2.2.
- 9.4 Three (3) races will be required to constitute a Series.
- 9.5 Yachts will exclude their ~~one (1)~~ **two (2)** worst scores after ~~four (4)~~ **five (5)** races.

10.0 Prizes

- 10.1 Prizes may be awarded at after race functions at either host Yacht Clubs or on shore for CYANZ races.
- 10.2 Trophies for the Harbour and Passage Series will be presented at the CYANZ Annual Prizegiving, 26 May 2027.

11.0 Rights to use Name & Likeness

- 11.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without

compensation.

- 11.2. All those who take part in this event as competitors as well as support crew or spectators agree to be overflown by a drone during the duration of the event, this includes your person and your property (boats).

12.0 Insurance

- 12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid marine third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover to \$5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

- 13.0 Risk Statement RRS 3 states:** "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury.

Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

- 14.0 Disclaimer of Liability:** All those taking part in CYANZ races or any other sailing events controlled by the CYANZ, as between the CYANZ and each of those so taking part, do so at their own risk and responsibility and the CYANZ and any sponsor associated with this event has no liability for any damage, loss or any penalty suffered by any boat crew or any other person taking part in such events. The CYANZ and any sponsor associated with this event shall not be responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted and/or the sufficiency and/or adequacy of its equipment or the competence of its skipper or crew. The CYANZ reserves the right in its sole and uncontrolled discretion to refuse entry

Dated: **17 September 2026**