WRA REGATTA CONDITIONS

- 1. The regatta will be conducted under the rules of the NZRA and the WRA.
- 2. The regatta will also be conducted in accordance with:
 - 1. NZRA's Water and Competition Safety Codes.
 - 2. WRA's Risk Management Plan.
- 3. The entry fees (GST exclusive) are: singles, \$5.00; doubles/pairs, \$15.00; quads/fours, \$25.00; eights, \$45.00. WRA will invoice clubs.
- 4. All entries are to be made online via rowIT.
 - 1. Entries close 10:00pm, Tuesday 11 November 2014.
 - 2. Late entries close 10:00pm, Monday 17 November 2014.
 - 3. Supplementary entries close 10:00pm, Thursday 20 November 2014.
 - 4. Crews can be altered or scratched online until 12:00pm, Friday 21 November 2014.
- 5. Crews scratched after the online system closes must be notified to Regatta Control well before the respective race. **Five regatta points** <u>will be deducted</u> for each non-start crew that has not been notified as a scratching.
- 6. Events as advertised in the regatta programme will be rowed in Novice, U17 and Open grades.
 - 1. All grades are according to NZRA Rules (age-group reference date: 1 January 2015).
 - 2. Open grade is intended for Club, U18, Senior, Premier and Masters Rowers.
 - 3. RPCs are eligible to enter all Open events.
- 7. Composite crews may be entered in any event. They will be identified by the club of entry.
- 8. All events are to be raced over specified distances [**usually 1500m**] or as near to as the prevailing safety conditions allow.
- 9. Where less than three entries have been received for an event the event may be cancelled.
- 10. Where more than five entries have been received for an event divisions may be rowed.
 - 1. Unless otherwise advised, crews will be drawn according to entry ranking. No 1 crews in first division. Clubs should self-seed their crews by crew number.
 - 2. The race umpire may amalgamate divisions when scratchings reduce the field.
- 11. Boat alpha-lane numbers (as displayed in the draw sheet) must be displayed at the bow and be legible to the judges on the shore.
- 12. Lane 1 is the lane nearest the Judges at the finish.
- 13. Crews are to wear their registered club uniform.
- 14. All boats must be fitted with a bow ball that complies with NZRA Rules.
- **15.** Coxswains must wear an approved personal floatation device.
- 16. The minimum weight for coxswains is 55kg. Random checks may be made.
- 17. Where coxswains are carrying weights, these must not be attached to the body.
- 18. Race umpires may remove any crew from the course where its safety is deemed at risk.
- 19. The Regatta Committee reserves the right to alter starting times.
- 20. Crews proceeding to the start are to keep well clear of the course and follow instructions given from umpire and safety boats.
- 21. Crews must be in the Start Zone at least five minutes prior to the scheduled starting time.
- 22. Races will start without reference to absentees.
- 23. Regatta points (per event). 1st division: 1st, four points; 2nd, two points; 3rd, one point. Other divisions: 1st, one point. Row-over winners will be awarded points provided they complete the course at a racing pace or compete against another event.
- 24. <u>Points will be deducted</u> from crews failing to comply with these conditions, whilst **failure to comply with items 13, 14 or 16 will result in immediate disqualification**.
- 25. Any protest is to be made to the Race Umpire at the conclusion of the race. The protest is to be confirmed in writing with payment of deposit to the Regatta Committee as per NZRA Rules.
- 26. WRA will not take responsibility for damage to plant or equipment at the regatta.