

WRA#2 REGATTA CONDITIONS

DATE: 31 October 2015 **PREFERRED VENUE:** Korokoro, 2000m
ENTRY EMPHASIS: none **POINTS TROPHY:** none

1. The regatta will be conducted under the rules of the NZRA, NZSSRA and the WRA.
 2. The regatta will also be conducted in accordance with:
 - a. NZRA's Water and Competition Safety Codes.
 - b. WRA's Risk Management Plan.
 3. Entry fees (excl GST): 1X, \$5; 2X/2-, \$15; 4X±/4±, \$25; 8+/8X+, \$45. WRA will invoice clubs.
 4. All entries are to be made online via rowIT.
 - a. Entries close 10:00pm, Tuesday 20 October 2015.
 - b. Late entries close 10:00pm, Monday 26 October 2015.
 - c. Supplementary entries close 10:00pm, Thursday 29 October 2015.
 - d. Crews can be altered or scratched online until 12:00pm, Friday 30 October 2015.
 5. Crews scratched after the online system closes must be notified to Regatta Control well before the respective race. **Five regatta points** will be deducted for each unscratched non-starting crew.
 6. Events as advertised in the regatta programme will be rowed in classes.
 - a. U15, U16, U17, U18 and U18 Novice classes are according to NZSSRA Rules.
 - b. U19, Novice, Club, Premier and Masters classes are according to NZRA Rules.
 - c. Premier class is closed to Novice and U16 athletes but clubs may request a specific exemption.
 - d. The reference date for Masters is 31 December 2015 for other age-groups it is 1 January 2016
 7. Composite crews may be entered in any event. They will be identified by the club of entry.
 8. Clubs may enter coxed boats in coxless Premier events.
 9. All events are to be raced over specified distances [**usually 2000m**] or as near to as the prevailing safety conditions allow.
 10. Where less than three entries have been received for an event the event may be cancelled.
 11. Where more than six entries have been received for an event divisions may be rowed.
 - a. When practical, crews will be grouped in divisions by event class.
 - b. Unless otherwise advised, crews will be drawn according to entry ranking with #1 crews in the first division for their class. Clubs should self-seed their crews by crew number.
 - c. The race umpire may amalgamate divisions or events when scratchings reduce the field.
 12. 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. 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. The minimum weight for coxswains in U15, U16, and U17 crews is 50kg. The minimum weight for coxswains in other crews is 55kg. Check-weighing facilities will be available on a voluntary basis.
 16. **Where coxswains are carrying weights, these must not be attached to the body.**
 17. **Coxswains must wear an approved personal floatation device.**
 18. A Control Commission will be operating.

At this regatta emphasis is being placed on bow ball & heel restraint checks.
 19. Race umpires may remove any crew from the course where its safety is deemed at risk.
 20. The Regatta Committee reserves the right to alter starting times.
 21. Crews proceeding to the start are to keep well clear of the course and follow instructions given from umpire and safety boats.
 22. Crews must be in the Start Zone (within 50m from the start line) at least five minutes prior to the scheduled starting time.
 23. Races will start without reference to absentees.
 24. Regatta points (per event). 1st division: 1st, four points; 2nd, two points; 3rd, one point. Other divisions: 1st, one point. Composite crews earn 0 points. Row-over winners will be awarded points provided they complete the course at a racing pace or compete against another event.
 25. Points will be deducted from crews failing to comply with these conditions, whilst **failure to comply with items 14, 16 or 17 will result in immediate disqualification.**
 26. 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.
 27. WRA will not take responsibility for damage to plant or equipment at the regatta.
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