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Bay of Islands Yacht Club

Welcome to the Bay of Islands Yacht Club Waitangi to Whangaroa Yacht Race 2025

NOR and Sailing Instructions

The organising authority is the Bay of Islands Yacht Club Inc.

The race will be governed by the rules defined in the Yachting NZ Rules of Sailing and Safety Regulations (current).

VHF Radio Channels

77 Racing Channel

63 Russell Radio

62 Whangaroa Radio

86 BOI Coastguard

16 Open

84 Whangaroa Coast Guard

Any Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be advised on Channel 77

Divisions:

Racing Division Multi hull

Racing Division Mono hull

Racing Division Sports Boat

Cruising Division (Rally)

Race Start Schedule Saturday 25th April 2025

0955- Warning Signal for ALL DIVISIONS

Start Line:

All divisions - Start Line will be between the Committee Boat displaying an orange flag and a yellow cylinder buoy.

Located Between Hermione beacon and northern channel markers.

Race Start Sequence

Orange flag up - 10 Miin

Warning Signal - BOIYC Flag - 5 Min

Preparatory Signal - P Flag - 4 Min

Preparatory Flag Removed - 1 Min

BOIYC Flag Removed - 0 Min

All flag movements will be sounded with a horn or whistle.

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Course

ONE (INTENDED COURSE WHANGAROA)

Start

Cape Wiwiki to Port

Flat Island to Port

Finish line will be located at the entrance of the Whangaroa Harbour between a Finish boat flying a blue finish flag and a yellow cylinder buoy.

Approximate location between gun emplacement and cardinal mark at harbour entrance.

Two (ALTERNATE COURSE IF WEATHER DICTATES)

Start

Cape Brett to Starboard

Finish line will be located at the entrance of the Whangaruru harbour between a Finish boat flying a blue finish flag and a yellow cylinder buoy.

Three (HEAVY WEATHER)

Start

Both Southern challen markers to Port.

Tapeka point and rocks to Starboard.

Roberton, Moturua and Motukiki to port.

Finish line will be located at Paradise Bay Urupukapuka between a Finish boat flying a blue finish flag and a yellow cylinder buoy.

Right of Entry

- All boats must have a motor or another boat accompanying them.
- All boats or accompanying boats must be carrying an anchor.
- All those taking part do so at their own risk and responsibility.
- The BOIYC is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a vessel whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- Attention is drawn to the Racing Rules of Sailing which state "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate or to continue racing is hers alone".
- Yachting New zealand safety regulations category 4 shall apply.
- Yachts must be hand driven unless there's 2 people or less on board then auto pilot can be used. (in all deviations)

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Withdrawing:

Any boat withdrawing from the race **must** message Thomas - 0284118171

Engine Power:

Cruising Division yachts are allowed up to 2 hours of motoring. Racing Division yachts are unable to motor during the race time.

Time Limit

All vessels finishing after 1800 hrs - Saturday the 25th April 2025 must take their own finish time and message time and boat name to Thomas 0284118171

Finishing party:

Will be a raft up in the western arm of Whangaroa harbour in Rere Bay.

Registration

Please fill out the registration form on the website.

https://www.boiyc.org/whangaroa-race

All boats must have paid their registration fee before the race start.

Prize Giving

There will be a prize giving and dinner at the Bay of Islands Yacht Club on Friday 2rd May. (you don't have to eat if you don't want to)

Bar Opens at 5.30 PM Dinner served at 6.30 PM (\$19.00 for adults and \$1 per age for under 14 year olds) Prize giving starts at 7.30 PM