

Lowry Bay Yacht Club

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Notice of Race

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1 Event

- 1.1 Unless advised otherwise, this Notice of Race covers all LBYC racing **except**:
 - Rum Regatta
 - 24-Hour Endurance Yacht Race

NB: For any race or series, LBYC may issue a separate Notice of Race that may replace, modify, or supplement this Notice of Race.

2 Rules

- 2.1 All racing will be governed by the following rules, regulations and instructions, unless otherwise stated:
 - The Lowry Bay Yacht Club Sailing Instructions 2023 2024. This
 document will be published on the LBYC Website
 - The World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021 to 2024 (RRS)
 - The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations 2021 to 2024. Specifically:
 - Part II Category 5 shall apply to keel yachts and multi-hulls.
 Additionally, these yachts shall carry a suitable bosons chair.
 - Part V Category C shall apply to trailer yachts.
 - Part VI Category B shall apply to sports yachts.
 - The Wellington Regional Navigation and Safety Bylaws 2009 and any amendments.

3 Pre-Season Briefing

- 3.1 It is strongly recommended that a representative of each yacht intending to race in the upcoming season attends the pre-season briefing. This briefing will be advertised in the Club Newsletter, on the Club Website and in other media as appropriate. Safety documents will be given to all attendees at the briefing.
- 3.2 All skippers attending the pre-season briefing shall complete the season entry form and pay the relevant racing fee. The bar will be able to accept such fee via Eftpos.
- 3.3 Any yacht not represented at the pre-season briefing must see the Vice Commodore to be briefed on the season, complete season entry form and pay any relevant racing fees prior to racing.

4 Eligibility

- 4.1 Entries will be accepted from yachts on the LBYC Yacht Register and from visiting yachts.
- 4.2 Entries are open to all keel yachts, multihulls, trailer yachts and sports yachts. Others may be allowed to race at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.
- 4.3 Visiting yachts will not be eligible for LBYC trophies but will be eligible for prizes.
- 4.4 LBYC may accept, reject or subsequently cancel the entry of a visiting yacht for any reason.
- 4.5 All competitors (i.e. skipper and crew) shall be financial members of LBYC. Exceptions are for:
 - Friday Night Pursuit Championship races.
 - Crew under the age of 20 years.
 - Non-members who sail for a maximum of three Season Championship race days during a season.
 - All crew of visiting yachts who are financial members of a club recognised by the crew member's national authority.

5 Entry

- 5.1 Eligible yachts are to enter by completing a Season Entry Form and Safety Declaration. Completed series Entry Forms may be given to a member of the Sailing Committee or emailed to vicecomm@lbyc.org.nz. Please do not give Racing Fees to members of the Sailing Committee.
- 5.2 A non-refundable Racing Fee shall be paid prior to or immediately after racing.

Whole season entry fee	\$200
Pursuit Championship only	\$80
Individual series (Spring, Summer, Long	\$60
Harbour or Winter)	
Short-handed Series ea	\$40
Individual race entry fee	
- Members	\$15
- Visiting boats	\$20

5.3 Racing Fees may be paid as follows

- Electronically by depositing the appropriate fee into the LBYC bank account: 06-0545-0013952-00. Please enter the yacht name in the reference, and the code 232/04 in the particulars.
- By EFTpos at the Club's bar.

- 5.4 All yachts entering a race shall complete the daily registration sheet in the clubhouse prior to starting that race
- 5.5 Late entries and visiting yachts may enter by calling up Lowry Bay Sports on VHF radio channel 62. Late entries must do so prior to the warning signal of the first race of the day for any division.
- 5.6 Visiting yachts shall then complete a Season Entry Form after the race at the clubhouse or have completed one within 48 hours of the race and be emailed to vicecomm@lbyc.org.nz

6 Schedule

- 6.1 The racing schedule will be published in the LBYC Almanac and on the LBYC website.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day will be published with the racing schedule.

7 Racing Area and Courses

- 7.1 All racing will be held within Wellington Harbour, including the South Coast as far as Island Bay.
- 7.2 Windward–leeward, triangle and/or harbour courses may be sailed.

8 Scoring

- 8.1 Races will be scored on Club Handicap and Line. RRS 5.3 will apply.
- 8.2 Season Championship racing will be for the Combined Division and Cruising Division. For the Cruising division No spinnakers or extras may be set. Extras are defined as sails not normally used to advantage to windward. Headsails may be poled out using spinnaker or whisker poles but shall only be carried on a permanent load bearing forestay with only one headsail per forestay.
- 8.3 Non-championship & Pursuit racing will be a combined fleet (i.e. all yachts) unless stated in any additional daily instructions.
- 8.4 LBYC reserves the right to delete, amend or combine divisions, as deemed necessary by racing fleet activity.
- 8.5 A race will not be scored unless two or more yachts start in that race.
- 8.6 The Club Handicap is a formula-derived performance handicap that may adjust after each race based on the performances for the race and any prior races as per the LBYC handicap policy. Different handicaps will be maintained for General, Short-handed, and Pursuit racing.

8.7 The following tables show each series that will be scored and the scheduled number of races in the series.

Combined and Cruising Division Championship		
Spring	6	
Summer	6	
Long Harbour Racing (one of which Includes the Island Bay Race)	4	
Winter	6	
Friday Night Pursuit Championship A, B & C	21	
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Non-Championship Series		
Spring Two-handed	4	
Single-handed	5	
Winter Two-handed	5	

- 8.8 The minimum number of races to be completed to constitute a series shall be one.
- 8.9 For any individual series, when fewer than six races have been completed, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 8.10 When six or more races have been completed, a yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9 Season Championship

- 9.1 The Season Championship comprises all races scored in the Spring, Summer, Long Harbour and Winter Series, and the completed race day total score in the Sprint Series.
- 9.2 When fewer than 15 races have been completed, a yacht's score will be the total of her race scores from each race in the Spring, Summer, Long Harbour and Winter series. If a yacht does not have a series score in one or more of those series, her score for those series races will be the number of yachts in the Season Championship plus one.
- 9.3 When 15 races have been completed, a yacht's score will be the total of her race scores from each race in the Spring, Summer, Sprint, Long Harbour and Winter series excluding her worst score, with a further worst score excluded after 17 races, and every two races thereafter.
- 9.4 The minimum number of races to be completed to constitute a season championship shall be 5 over at least 2 Series.

10 Pursuit Championship

- 10.1 The Pursuit Championship comprises all races scored in Pursuit Series A, B and C.
- When fewer than 13 races have been completed, a yacht's score will be the total of her race scores from each race in the Pursuit A, B, and C series. If a yacht does not have a series score in one or more of those series, her score for those series will be the total number of yachts in the Pursuit Championship plus one.
- 10.3 When 13 races have been completed, a yacht's score will be the total of her race scores in the Pursuit A, B and C series excluding her worst score, with a further worst score excluded after 15 races, and every two races thereafter.

11 Prizes

- 11.1 LBYC may award trophies for the winners of specific races, series or divisions, or sections within a race or series.
- 11.2 Series and Season Championship trophies will be awarded at the LBYC prize giving. All trophies are to remain on the LBYC premises. A list of trophy winners from the previous season will appear in the Almanac.

12 Advertising

12.1 Yachts may be required to display advertising supplied by LBYC.

13 Disposal of Trash

13.1 Trash is not to be thrown overboard.

14 Insurance

14.1 Each yacht that races shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per event.