



**2025 CENTRAL NORTH ISLAND SECONDARY
SCHOOLS TEAM SAILING REGATTA**
LAKE TAUPO YACHT CLUB
Landing Reserve, Taupo.
Saturday 22nd to Monday 24th March 2025



NOTICE OF RACE

The organising authority is the Lake Taupo Yacht Club (LTYC).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by 'the rules' as defined in 'The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028', including Appendix D.
- 1.2. The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations: Part 1 shall apply.
<https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/sites/default/files/2021-04/YachtingNewZealandSafetyRegulationsPart1.pdf>
- 1.3. All amendments to the RRS will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4. Competitors shall comply with the NZTSA Health and Safety plan and may be required to go ashore to receive medical attention. If this is the case and the team has no suitable reserves, then they will need to sail with only two boats against the three boats of the opposition.
- 1.5. YNZ Ethical Guidelines will be followed at all times. A copy can be found on the YNZ Website
<https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/resources/ynz-ethical-guidelines-sailors-coaches-and-parents-volunteers>

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official noticeboard online via Stack Team App Only. Please download the "Stack Team App", search for 'CNI Teams Sailing Regatta 2025' and request to join.
iOS: <https://www.teamapp.com/ios-app>
Android: <https://www.teamapp.com/android-app>
If you'd prefer the website version please click here:
https://cniteamssailingregatta.teamapp.com?_webpage=v1
- 2.2. Note, in 2025 NZTSA is moving to a 2 minute preparatory signal (instead of 1 minute), in which umpiring and pre-start engagement can begin.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRIES

- 3.1. Entry is open to all teams meeting the requirements of the NOR 3.2 below, but the organisers reserve the right to restrict the total number of entries accepted to 12 teams in total for the regatta if required.

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- 3.2. A team consists of 6 sailors plus 1 or 2 reserves and a manager and/or coach. All sailing crew members shall be:
- a) Full time pupils (Years 7 to 13 inclusive) of the school(s) that they represent; and
 - b) Under 19 years of age on 1 January 2025
- 3.3. **Composite teams:** A composite team comprising members from more than one school within the region may be entered following consultation with the organising authority.
- 3.4. **Weight Limitation:**
The minimum combined weight of the helmsman and crew of each boat must be at least 110kg. Combinations weighing between 100 and 110kg must carry correcting weights to ensure the minimum weight is achieved. These correcting weights must always be carried and attached near the mast foot of their boat. There will be no weigh-in at the regatta, this responsibility is the Managers/Coaches to manage, however spot checks will be performed at the regatta and any teams with underweight crews may be subject to a RRS 69 hearing. Teams are to supply their own weights if required.
- 3.5. Entries are accepted until the closing of the day on **Monday 2nd March 2025** (closing date), by completing this online entry form [CNI Entry Form 2025](#) An invoice will then be issued for entry fee and boat charter (if required) with payment to be made online to LTYC by the closing date. Earlier confirmation of intended entry is appreciated.
- 3.6. **Entry Fees:** Entry Fee is \$450 per team, if the team supplies three 420s. Where 420s cannot be supplied there may be an additional charter charge to each team, of \$400 for the regatta.
- 3.7. **Damage bonds:** All teams must pay a refundable damage bond of \$500 to NZTSA unless held already NZTSA. In the event of a team causing major damage to a boat or boats they may be required to pay an additional damage bond payment if they wish to continue competing in the event.
- 3.8. Teams are requested to provide an acceptable “on water umpire assistant”.

4. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

- 4.1. The races will be sailed in 420 dinghies, with teams supplying 420s where possible. 420s are to be supplied to the regatta in good working order and insured for racing.
- 4.2. Teams supplying boats should arrive as early as possible on (or before) the first day of racing. Please advise time of arrival on your entry so we can plan to get the boats/rigs equalized.
- 4.3. Supplied boats must include team racing sails. Please advise the colour of sails to be supplied. Teams supplying boats shall not expect to sail only in their boats, boats will be pooled for equalization.

- 4.4. LTYC will organize boats to be identical as far as possible.
- 4.5. Boats shall be allocated to each team in accordance with a draw and shall not be modified unless permitted by the Sailing Instructions.
- 4.6. Teams are expected to bring their own red protest flags (300mm x 300mm), yellow gear breakage flag and bailers.
- 4.7. Buoyancy vests must always be worn by sailors and support persons while afloat. No clothing or device to increase weight will be permitted.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1. Registration and weigh in from 0830 hrs to 1000 hrs on Saturday 22nd March at LTYC
- 5.2. Boats are to be set up on reserve in front of LTYC Club House.
- 5.3. Briefing and Welcome 11:00 hrs on Saturday 22 March 2025
- 5.4. Racing Format will be Round-Robin.
- 5.5. Back to Back racing commences on Saturday 22nd March at 12:00 hrs.
- 5.6. Saturday Night - All Teams Pizza & Rules Night (included in the price, time to be confirmed closer to the time)
- 5.7. Sunday 23rd March: 1000hrs first race
- 5.8. Monday 24th March: 1000hrs first race
- 5.9. Sailors should bring a daily lunch/snacks suitable to eat on the water.

Note: Private events may be held at the Yacht Club, and on the beachfront reserve. Please be respectful of any other event and beach users.

6. RACING AREA

- 6.1. The racing area will be in the confines of Tapuaeharuru Bay, Lake Taupo although the organizing committee reserves the right to change to a nearby location should circumstances require (e.g. low lake level).

7. THE COURSE

- 7.1. The course will be the Teams Racing S Course as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

8. SCORING

- 8.1. Scoring in each individual race will be in accordance with appendix D3. Scoring the series will be in accordance with appendix D4.
- 8.2. Results and performance from this regatta may be used to seed team entries to the Secondary Schools Teams Sailing Nationals 2025.

9. SUBSTITUTION

- 9.1. A team may change the composition of their crews using their reserves by advising the Race Officer in time to allow a change without delaying the start of the race involved. No reason needs to be given.

10. TEAM SUPPORT BOATS

- 10.1. Coaches/ Managers who are named Umpires/umpire assistants may view their teams from Umpire boats, where they will be assisting with Umpiring.
- 10.2. Any other Support and spectator boats must remain 100 metres from the course of any yacht racing. Support and spectator boats may not communicate in any way with any yacht racing. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be disqualification of competitors associated with the infringing support boat.
- 10.3. Support boats must use the public boat ramps unless otherwise appraised by LTYC Beachmaster. Boat ramp passes are required. These are available for purchase online at <https://ramp-permit-taupo.dia.govt.nz/>.
- 10.4. Didymo & Golden Clam protection requirements apply to support boats brought to Lake Taupo.
 - 10.4.1. **Didymo:** (sometimes colourfully called “Rock Snot”) is a noxious water weed which can ruin freshwater environments and fisheries. It is vital that we prevent Didymo and other invasive species from invading the rivers and streams around Lake Taupō. As you move between freshwater ways, Page 4 of 4 you will need to be sure that all your equipment is thoroughly cleaned, so that the weed does not infect clean waterways. Cleaning information can be found on the MPI website here: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/outdoor-activities/boating-and-watersports-tips-to-prevent-spread-of-pests/check-clean-dry/>
 - 10.4.2. **Golden Clams:** are an invasive species which have been found in the lower parts of the Waikato River. Any boat, trailer, clothing or other item which has been in the Waikato Controlled Area, must be treated prior to arrival at this Regatta in terms of the MPI guidelines which can be found on the MPI website here: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/biosecurity/exotic-pests-and-diseases-in-new-zealand/active-biosecurity-responses-to-pests-and-diseases/exotic-freshwater-clams-corbicula/#how-to-prevent>

11. USE OF DRONE FOR MEDIA

- 11.1. The Civil Aviation Authority rules do not allow drones to be flown within 4km of any airfield or aerodrome unless certain conditions are met including approval from the aerodrome operator. All requests for approval from aerodrome operators to fly a drone in the Taupo area are made through Taupo Airport. Lake Taupo Aerodrome includes an area above water and a 4km buffer from shoreline. To avoid confusion, Lake Taupo is designated by CAA as an airfield.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Trophies will be awarded for Overall Central North Island Champion, certificates for second and third placed teams, and an overall Girls Team Champion award (if appropriate). Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14. GOVERNMENT HEALTH GUIDELINES

- 14.1. Any guidelines and requirements set by the government will be followed by LTYC.