2020 Youth Match Racing World Championship

Notice of Race (NoR)

Auckland (New Zealand), 25 February - 1 March 2020

Issued by World Sailing on 27 August 2019
1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY
The Organising Authority (OA) will be the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron in conjunction with World Sailing (WS).

2 VENUE
The venue will be the Royal New Zealand Yacht Club on the Waitemata Harbour, Auckland, New Zealand.

3 EVENT GRADING
The event is a WC event. This grading is subject to review by World Sailing. The event may be regraded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME
4.1 Schedule:
Tuesday 25 February:
(a) Race office open from 10.00 am.
(b) Registration from 10.00 am until 6.00 pm.
(c) Crew weighing from 10.00 am until 6.00 pm.
(d) Practice from 10.30 am until 6.00 pm.

Wednesday 26 February:
(a) Race office open from 10.00 am.
(b) Registration from 10.00 am until 6.00 pm.
(c) Crew weighing from 10.00 am until 6.00 pm.
(d) Practice from 10.30 am until 5.00 pm.
(e) Opening Ceremony, time to be announced.

Thursday 27 February:
(a) First meeting with umpires at 8.30 am.

Racing days from 27 February to 1 March:
(a) Time of the first Attention Signal each day will be 10.00am unless specified by RC.
(b) The latest time for an Attention Signal on the last day of racing will be 3 pm.
(c) Prize giving 1 March after racing, time to be announced.

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:
(a) First meeting with Umpires on 27 February at 8.30 am and daily briefings.
(b) Opening Ceremony.
(c) Daily press conferences, for skippers sailing that day.
(d) Prize giving for all skippers and crews.
5 COMPETITORS ELIGIBILITY

5.1 Up to fourteen (14) skippers will be invited, one per MNA. Only skippers invited by World Sailing will be eligible to enter this event. One of the invitations will be issued to a skipper nominated by Yachting New Zealand (YNZ), with World Sailing’s approval.

5.2 World Sailing Member National Authorities may apply for an invitation for up to two skippers of their nationality by sending a completed Request for Invitation Form for each skipper to matchracing@sailing.org no later than 1 November 2019. World Sailing will inform MNAs, and at least one skipper per MNA, if they will be issued with an invitation no later than 15 November 2019. The Request Form can be found at the end of this Notice Of Race and at the event information on the World Sailing Calendar: https://sailing.org/regattainfo.php?rgtaid=22011

5.3 Skipper selections will be based on the skipper’s match racing experience, then fleet racing experience, then age.

5.4 After 15 November 2019, World Sailing may invite skippers at its own discretion, including additional skippers from an MNA if necessary to have twelve skippers at the event, in which case the host MNA will receive the first additional skipper invitation.

5.5 All competitors shall be under 23 years old on 31st December 2020 (i.e., born after 31 December 1997). Evidence of age shall be submitted to World Sailing no later than the close of registration (the Technical Delegate may extend this deadline).

5.6 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.

5.7 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing (e-mail is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.

5.8 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.

6 ENTRIES

6.1 Entering
The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and damage deposit. All payments shall be made by cash.

6.2 Entry Fee
Entry Fee A non-refundable entry fee of $1500 NZD shall be paid at registration and before any practice sailing. The entry fee will include the visa support for foreign participants, and breakfasts and lunches on racing days. The OA will support international teams by housing with club members or on club members’ boats within Westhaven marina.

6.3 Withdrawal
When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within one month of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2)
6.4 Damage deposit
(a) An initial damage deposit of $1000 NZD shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
(b) If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.

7 RULES

7.1
(a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C.
(b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
(c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.

7.2 Major Alterations to the RRS
(a) Add to RRS 41: help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
(b) RRS C8.6 and C6.3 will be changed in the sailing instructions.

7.3 An International Jury (IJ) will be appointed, and approved by the NA in accordance with RRS Appendix N.

7.4 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. A breach of this rule is not open to protest by boats, but is subject to actions by umpires in accordance with RRS C8.2. This changes RRS C6.2 and C8.2.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

8.1 The event will be sailed in Elliot 7 type boats.

8.2 Ten (10) boats will be provided.

8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, Spinnaker (asymmetrical).

8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the race committee.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

9.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4 (four) or 5 (five). All registered crew shall sail all races.

9.2 The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 350,0 kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.

9.3 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the TD may authorize an original crew member to substitute.
9.4 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the TD may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10 EVENT FORMAT

10.1 Skippers will be seeded into a round robin or divided into groups based on the World Sailing ranking list 30 days prior to the event.

10.2. The event will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 – A Full Round Robin
Stage 2 - Quarter Finals
Stage 3 – Semi Finals and Consolation series
Stage 4 – Finals

10.3 The TD may change the format, or terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favor of later stages.

11 COURSE

The course will be windward/leeward with starboard or port rounding depending on the tide, finishing downwind. It is the intention of the RC to use a leeward gate.

12 ADVERTISING

12.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organizing Authority, World Sailing regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.

12.2 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (this amends RRS 60.1).

13 PRIZES

13.1 The first placed skipper will be presented with the World Sailing Youth Match Racing World Championship Trophy.

13.2 World Sailing Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be presented to the top 3 teams.

14 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

14.1 By participating in the 2020 Youth Match Racing World Championship competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority, their sponsors and World Sailing the right in perpetuity to make, use of, publish and exhibit, at their sole discretion, any motion pictures, live or taped film or video, television productions and other reproductions, photographs etc. of him/her taken during the period of the competition, in which the competitor participates, without compensation.
14.2 If required by the OA:
(a) Television personnel and equipment (or dummies) supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.
(b) Competitors shall wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or RC.
(c) Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.

14.3 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.

15 COACH BOATS
No coach boats will be permitted. It is the intention of the OA to provide suitable boats for the coaches to observe the racing from.

16 DOPING CONTROL
Doping control will be conducted in accordance with the World Anti-Doping Code. In-competition testing may be carried out at the event.

17 OTHER REQUIREMENTS
17.1 Each team is requested to provide a national flag approximately 40 x 30 cm for display from the stern of the boat.

17.2 Each team is requested to provide their national anthem on a USB pen drive.

18 DISCLAIMER
All those taking any part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

19 RISK STATEMENT
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 4, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
(a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and the boat supplied to them to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
(b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their supplied boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
(c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
(d) By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their supplied boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
(e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
(f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

20 INFORMATION

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**2020 World Sailing Youth Match Racing World Championship**  
http://www.sailing.org/events/youthmatchworlds/index.php

**INVITE REQUEST FORM**

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We apply for an invitation for the 2020 World Sailing Youth Match Racing World Championship as per Notice of Race 5.

We wish to enter the following skipper:

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Summary of recent match racing experience:

Please return the completed and signed form to the World Sailing Executive Office via email (matchracing@sailing.org) before the deadline (1 November 2019).

Invitations will be issued by 15 November 2019.