



2017 New Zealand Elliott 5.9 National Championship 8th to 11th November 2017

The Organising Authority is the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club, 1299 Laurie Southwick Parade, Gulf Harbour, Whangaparaoa on behalf of the Elliott 5.9 Class Association.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Yachting New Zealand Prescriptions 2017-2020 shall apply.
- 1.3 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.4 Appendix T will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff located at the front of the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club.
- 4.2 A boat shall not leave the Gulf Harbour Marina until flag D is displayed ashore. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 60 minutes after flag D is displayed.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES/CLASS FLAGS

5.1 Schedule of Racing:

Day/Date:	Class:	Class Flag:	No of Races:	Time of First Warning Signal;
Thurs 9 th	E5.9	E5.9	4 back to back	1155hrs
Fri 10 th	E5.9	E5.9	4 back to back	1025hrs
Sat 11 th	E5.9	E5.9	4 back to back	1025hrs

5.2 Class Flag

Black Flag with white E5.9 emblem

5.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

5.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs.

6 RACING AREAS

The Race Area will be on the waters on the waters of the Hauraki Gulf adjacent to the Gulf Harbour Marina.

7 THE COURSES

7.1 The diagrams in Attachment one(1) show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

7.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

8 MARKS

8.1 Mark descriptions are as follows:

Mark:	Description:	Alternate mark description:
1	Orange Cylindrical buoy	White Cylindrical buoy
1a	Orange Cylindrical buoy	
4s/4p	Orange Cylindrical buoy	
Start -starboard end	Vessel "Enigma 1" Elliott 10.5	
Start -port end	Yellow Cylindrical buoy	
Finish- starboard end	Yellow Cylindrical buoy	
Finish- port end	Vessel "Enigma 1" Elliott 10.5	

8.2 A race committee vessel signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in SI 10.2.

9 STARTS

9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

9.2 A boat that does not start within four(4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 10.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 10.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at the port end and the course side of the starboard end finishing mark.

12 PENALTY SYSTEMS

- 12.1** RRS 44.1, is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

13 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 13.1** Time limits and target times are as follows:

<i>CLASS</i>	<i>TARGET TIME</i>	<i>FINISH WINDOW</i>	<i>TIME LIMIT</i>
Elliott 5.9	40 minutes	15 minutes	75 minutes

- 13.2** Boats failing to finish within the Finish Window after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1** Protest forms are available at the race office, located at Gulf Harbour Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2** The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 14.3** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located upstairs in the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club beginning at the time posted.
- 14.4** Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.5** Breaches of SIs 10.2, 16, 19, 21 and 23 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 14.6** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- OR
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- (b) No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes RRS66.

15 SCORING

- 15.1** Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2**
- a) When fewer than Six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

- b) When six (6) to twelve (12) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1** The Race Committee will protest a boat for a breach of the safety regulations.
- 16.2** Boats not leaving the shore for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the race office.
- 16.3** Check –out and check –in ashore:
- a) Competitors shall individually check out before racing by personally signing the check-out sheets located inside the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club.[DP]
 - b) Competitors shall individually check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing, no later than the protest time limit by signing the check-in sheets located inside the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club.[DP]
- 16.4** A boat retiring from racing shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the Race Office as soon as possible after returning ashore.[DP]
- 16.5** Boats retiring from racing shall in accordance with SI 16.4 shall complete a retirement declaration form at the Race Office before the protest time limit.[DP]

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. [DP]
- 17.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

17.3 'WET BOAT' EVENT

Boats are to be in the water by 1100hrs on Thursday 9th November and be left in the water until after the last race on Saturday. Berthage will be provided by Gulf Harbour Marina. Requests for out of the water during this period for repairs or maintenance shall be made to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or the technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Ashore, equipment may be inspected or measured at times specified in the class rules and the notice of race.

19 EVENT ADVERTISING

Boats shall display event advertising if supplied by the organising authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]

20 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows: Flying the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club flag.

21 SUPPORT BOATS

- 21.1** Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and are restricted to a 5 knot speed limit, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start of a sequence of starts until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment of all races. The areas the boats are racing in is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 metres of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail. [DP]
- 21.2** Attention is drawn the relevant local council bylaws regarding wearing of lifejackets and other restrictions.

21.3 When flag V (with a long sound signal) is displayed on a committee boat all support boats are requested to remain afloat and assist all sailors.

22 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta. [DP]

23 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. [DP]

24 PRIZES

A prize giving dinner will follow at the conclusion of racing on Saturday 11th November 2017 at the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club.

25 INSURANCE

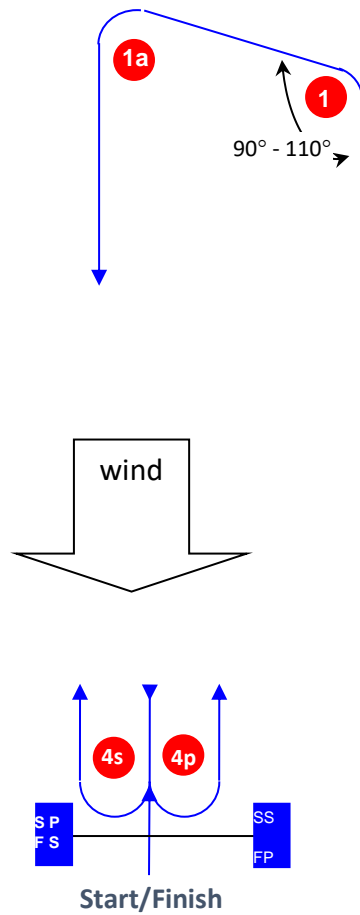
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

26 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

ATTACHMENT 1: COURSE

LA



Course: Leeward Finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
LA2	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA3	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA4	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish

