

# **NEW ZEALAND ROWING ASSOCIATION INC. RULES OF RACING**

## **RULE 1 - SCOPE:**

- 1 Rowing is the propulsion of a displacement boat, with or without coxswain, by the muscular force of one or more rowers, using oars as simple levers of the second order and sitting with their backs to the direction of movement of the boat. Rowing on a machine or in a tank which simulates the action of rowing in a boat is also considered as rowing.
- 2 A rowing regatta is a sporting competition on water consisting of a number of individual races in different types of boat. Races for men and women are held separately. Rowers are divided into different categories of sex, age, ability and weight. Their races are run accordingly.
- 3 The most important features of a race are equal conditions and equal chances of winning for all taking part.
- 4 A rower is a person who sculls and sweep-oar row. To row is to scull or Sweep-oar row.

## **RULE 2 - CLASSIFICATION OF REGATTAS:**

- 1 A Classification Regatta, Race or Race within a regatta is one which complies with the following conditions:
  - (a) Entries are open to all rowers who are members of Clubs which are admitted to the NZRA and hold a current NZRA competition licence or are members of overseas National Rowing Associations recognised by FISA;
  - (b) The course meets the minimum requirements as defined in the Course Directives;
  - (c) The regatta or race is advertised as a classification regatta or race.
- 2 All races at the New Zealand Rowing Championships shall be Classification races.

## **RULE 3 - APPLICATION:**

- 1 These rules shall apply to the following types of regattas and/or races:
  - (a) New Zealand Rowing Championships;
  - (b) All other regattas that advertise the use of these rules in their conditions.
- 2 The application of these Rules of Racing to all other types of regattas and races, including where appropriate, machine-rowing and tank-rowing competitions, shall be at the discretion of the Regatta or Race Committee for the regatta or race in question. Any variation to these Rules of Racing for any regatta or race shall be advertised at the time of issuing the regatta notice and event list.

## **RULE 4 - BOATS AND OARS:**

- 1 The construction, design and dimensions of boats and oars shall, in principle, be unrestricted subject to the following provisions.
  - (a) Boats shall not be less than the following minimum weights:

Type of boat	1 X	2X	2-	4X	4X+	4-	4+	8+
Weight/Kg	14.0	27.0	27.0	52.0	53.0	50.0	51.0	96.0
  - (b) Edge of blades to have a minimum thickness of
    - Oars 5mm measured at 3mm from the outer edge;
    - Sculls 3mm measured at 2mm from the outer edge.

- 2 The point of the bow of every boat shall be protected by a solid ball of rubber or similar material firmly affixed to the boat. This ball shall be white in colour and must be clearly distinguishable from the hull and not less than 40mm in diameter.
- 3 All boats shall have a bracket permanently fixed at the bow immediately behind the rubber ball for the fixing of a boat number.
- 4 To avoid accidents arising from capsizing, all boats must be equipped with stretchers or shoes which allow the rowers to get clear of the boat without using their hands and with least possible delay. The heel of the shoes must not have more than 50mm of free movement.
- 5 All boats shall allow all crew members to disembark easily in the event of an emergency. Bow coxed boats shall provide an opening for the coxswain at least 700mm long and be as wide as the boat for at least 500mm. The interior surfaces shall be smooth and without any projections that would hinder easy and rapid egress. A fixed bulkhead shall be provided at a suitable distance from the backrest to suit the coxswain's height so that they can push themselves clear of the cockpit easily. The steering mechanism must not hinder egress by projecting into the coxswain's enclosure.
- 6 No substances or structures like riblets capable of modifying the natural properties of water or of the surface layer of the water shall be applied to the hull.
- 7 No boat shall incorporate features in its design or construction that violates the principle of fair competition.
- 8 For advertising on boats and oars refer to Regulations for Regattas.

#### **RULE 5 - BOAT NUMBERS:**

- 1 Boat numbers shall be at least 180mm high and painted air sea rescue orange.
- 2 Each boat at a classification regatta shall carry at the bow the lane number of the starting position which has been drawn by its crew. This lane number must be provided by the club.
- 3 For other regattas, numbers which may identify crews or lanes, shall be carried if stipulated by the Regatta Committee.
- 4 Where boat numbers are supplied by the Regatta Committee these shall be used to the exclusion of all others.

#### **RULE 6 - RACE COMMITTEE:**

- 1 The Race Committee is responsible for all matters dealing with the racing and shall consist of five persons:
  - (a) The Chief Umpire, who shall be the Convener;
  - (b) The Chief Starter;
  - (c) The Chief Judge;
  - (d) The representative of the Regatta Committee;
  - (e) The representative of the NZRA, Local Association, or Club.
- 2 For Classification regattas all members of the Race Committee shall be Licensed Race Officials.

- 3 For the New Zealand Rowing Championships, the Domestic Rowing Commission will appoint the members of the Race Committee from nominations called from Local Associations.
- 4 The representative of the NZRA will submit a report upon the conduct of the New Zealand Rowing Championships to the Domestic Rowing Commission.
- 5 For all other regattas at least the Chief Umpire shall be licensed and the Race Committee shall be confirmed by the Local Association.
- 6 In the case of a protest, no one involved in the dispute (e.g. the umpire &/or the starter) shall constitute part of the Race Committee which decides that protest. If necessary, the Chief Umpire may appoint a substitute to replace those involved in deciding the protest.
- 7 The duties which the Race Committee is responsible for are:
  - (a) Before each regatta, the inspection of the course ensuring that all equipment conforms to requirements.
  - (b) Administering these Rules of Racing and Regulations for Regattas throughout the regatta. Its decisions shall be announced within a reasonable time.
  - (c) Meeting immediately after the regatta and if necessary preparing a report on the racing and on such disputes as may have arisen.
  - (d) Recording umpires' decisions and confirming the order of finishing.

#### **RULE 7 - RACE OFFICIALS:**

- 1 The Chief Umpire, assisted by the umpires, starters and judges, is responsible for ensuring that the Rules of Racing and the Regulations for Regattas are followed.
- 2 For the New Zealand Rowing Championships all race officials shall be holders of a current NZRA Race Officials Licence or one of an equivalent or higher authority.
- 3 An umpires launch may carry only the umpire and driver and no other without the authority of the Chief Umpire. Flags are not to be flown on the launch. Umpires or other officials carrying out duties on the water must wear life jackets.

#### **RULE 8 - REGATTA CONTROL:**

- 1 Regatta Control is to ensure that all rowers compete in their races in accordance with the Rules of Racing and Regulations for Regattas. Their duties include:
  - (a) Recording of scratchings and crew changes before the race.
  - (b) The drawing of heats and finals.
  - (c) Preparation and publishing the racing programme.
  - (d) Weighing of coxswains.
  - (e) Checking of necessary deadweight.
  - (f) Weighing of rowers in lightweight events.
  - (g) Classification of rowers.
  - (h) Selection and taking of medical tests where required.
  - (i) Acting as a link between rowers and Race Committee.

#### **RULE 9 - CLUB REPRESENTATION:**

- 1 All racing under NZRA Rules of Racing and Regulations for Regattas shall be between rowers representing rowing clubs affiliated to the NZRA, or members of overseas National Rowing Associations recognised by FISA.

- 2 All rowers in a crew shall be members of the same club except as provided for in Rule 10 on composite crews.
- 3 A rower shall not compete for more than one club at the same regatta.

#### **RULE 10 - COMPOSITE CREWS:**

1. Composite crews comprising rowers in Clubs within the same Local Association (eg Petone and Star within Wellington):
  - a. may be entered in quadruple sculls and eights events , in all classes;
  - b. with the approval of the Local Association
2. Composite crews comprising rowers in Clubs from any one or more Local Association (eg Wairau from Marlborough, and Union from Wanganui):
  - a. may be entered in all Premier and Under 21 events except the Premier coxed four;
  - b. with the approval of each Local Association
3. The relevant approvals must be submitted with the entry form
4. Entries of composite crews shall be submitted by one of the clubs represented in the crew, and must be made in time to meet the advertised closing date for entries for the regatta concerned. The names of all rowers and the clubs they represent must be entered on the entry form.
5. Rowers entered in a composite crew shall be subject to the same rules for substitution as other crews provided that any replacement rower shall be a member of one of the clubs represented in the original entry.
6. Micro-Geographical Regions (MGR). Where there is a rowing community of interest bisected by regional Association boundaries composite crews be permitted as if that community were within one Association, but otherwise all other rules regarding composite crews to apply. Subject to the following guidelines.
  1. The clubs should be situated close to each other or should be so situated that the forming of composite crews under rule 10.1 is impractical.
  2. Application for inclusion in such an MGR must be sought from the Domestic Commissioner by the participating clubs with the approval of their Associations, whose approval should not be unreasonably withheld.
  3. An application shall be made each season, to be valid for the season in which the application is made.
  4. Applications will not be accepted after 1<sup>st</sup> February in each season.
  5. No more than 3 (three) clubs may form a MGR.
  6. For a given regatta, a club will choose either to be part of composite crews, under rule 10.1, with Clubs from within its own Association or, under rule 10.6, with clubs from within its own MGR. It cannot be involved in both types of composite crew at the same regatta.
  7. An MGR will be subject to the same restrictions as an Association in forming Composite crews. (10.1.a)
  8. The requirements under rule 10.1.b (Association approval) are not applicable to a composite crew formed under rule 10.6

## **RULE 11 - ROWERS UNIFORMS:**

1. Every rower (coxswain excluded) must wear the official uniform of the National, Local Association, or Club that they are representing.
2. Undergarments may be worn uniformly under the official uniform, provided that the colour of the undergarment is the same as the body of the official uniform or plain white.
3. In an emergency, the Race Committee or umpire may authorise the wearing of an alternative uniform and/or undergarment.
4. For advertising on uniforms refer to Regulations for Regattas.

## **RULE 12 - CLASSIFICATION OF ROWERS (EXCLUDING COXSWAINS):**

- 1 A Season** - A season commences on the day following the last day of the New Zealand Championships in each year and ends on last day of the New Zealand Championships in the next year.
- 2 Classification** - Men and Women rowers are classified according to
  - (a) gender,
  - (b) ability, and where applicable
  - (c) age,
  - (d) weight.Classification by gender, by age or by weight shall not be affected by classification according to ability.

**2.1 Classification according to gender** - All crews and races shall be limited to members of one gender except for the coxswain who may be of either gender.

### **2.2 Classification according to ability -**

#### **A. Novice class –**

1. A Novice Rower is:
  - a. a rower who has not raced in any of the nominated regattas in a previous season:

Nominated regattas are:

    - i. Provincial championships
    - ii. Karapiro 1 and 2
    - iii. Jury Cup
    - iv. Head of the Harbour
    - v. NI, SI and National championships
    - vi. NI, SI and National Secondary School Championships
  - b. a rower who has raced in not more than one non-nominated regatta (eg University Regattas, Lake Pupuke, Blue Lakes) in a previous season
2. Clubs are required to check eligibility against this Rule rigorously before submitting entries.
3. Classification progression will be effective at the end of the National Championships.

**B. Club class -**

- (a)
  - (i) A rower who has not won an Under 21, Senior, Premier, Championship or Lightweight classification race in a previous season or who has not attained Senior or Premier class in a previous season.
  - (ii) A rower who has not competed in a New Zealand representative in any New Zealand Junior Crew or Youth Olympic Crew, or in any New Zealand Academy crew, New Zealand Development crew or other similar New Zealand representative crew as may be defined by the Domestic Rowing Commission.
- (b) A rower, who has been regraded to Club class and who elects to compete in another classification either by ability or by weight, may not also compete in Club class at the same regatta.

**C. Senior class -**

- (a)
  - (i) A rower who has not won a Premier class classification race in a previous season, or who has not been placed first in a Senior class classification race in two previous seasons or who has not otherwise previously attained Premier class.
  - (ii) A rower who has not competed as a New Zealand representative at a FISA World Cup regatta, FISA World Rowing Championships, FISA World Under 23 Championships or the Olympic Games.
- (b)
  - (i). A rower who by definition shall be ineligible to compete in a lower class classification race according to ability shall be deemed to have attained Senior class.
  - (ii) A Senior class rower who has not been placed first, second or third in either a Senior or Premier class classification race and who has not competed as a New Zealand representative or otherwise as defined in Rules 12.2.2 B (a) (ii) and 12.2.2.C (a) (ii), for two consecutive seasons, may, on application, be regraded to Club class.

**D. Premier class -**

- (a) All rowers shall be eligible to row in the Premier class.
- (b)
  - (i) A rower who by definition shall be ineligible to compete in a lower class classification race according to ability shall be deemed to have attained Premier class.
  - (ii) A Premier class rower who has not been placed first, second or third in a Premier class classification race and has not represented New Zealand in a FISA World Cup regatta, FISA World Rowing Championships, FISA World Under 23 Championships or the Olympic Games, for two consecutive seasons, may, on application, be regraded to Senior class.

### **2.3 Classification according to age -**

- A. In all age group events rowers must produce verification of age by producing a birth certificate if called upon.
1. **The reference date is 1 January in the year of the regatta**
  2. A rower may row in an age limited event if they are under the specified age limit on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January in the year of the regatta - ie a rower can compete in an Under 19 or Under 21 event if they are under the age of 19 or 21 on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January in the year of the regatta  
  
**For example** - a rower who turns 19 on 30 June 2006 is under 19 on 1 January 2006, and is therefore eligible to compete in Under 19 events at the National Championships in February 2006, and the Inter-provincials in September 2006.  
  
The same is true for a rower who turns 19 on 2 January 2006.
  3. Masters class - A rower over the age of 27 who is not competing in Senior or Premier class events. Mixed crew events may be held for Masters crews in which some of the crew may be women and some of the crew men.  
  
Age – The athlete’s age is the age that he or she attains in the year of the regatta
- B. Other age classification races for lower age groups may be held at local regattas using the same principle of determining the age classification as for the Under 19 class.

### **2.4 Classification according to weight -**

- A. Lightweight races are restricted weight events for male and female rowers who comply with the following conditions.  
  
Male - A rower shall weigh no more than 72.5 kilograms.  
Female - A rower shall weigh no more than 59 kilograms.
- B. Lightweight rowing classification may be subdivided by gender, ability and age as described in Rules 12.2.1, 12.2.2 and 12.2.3.
- 3 Classification progression will be effective after the day immediately following the New Zealand Championships each year. Rowers may continue in their existing classification until this date except in the case of rowers attaining Senior or Premier class pursuant to Rules 12.2.2 B. (a) (ii) and 12.2.2 C. (a) (ii) whose progression will be effective immediately.
  - 4 Classification gained in unrestricted weight races shall apply to the classification of the lightweight class. i.e. A rower who has gained a senior or premier class classification according to ability in heavyweight competition cannot compete in a lower class in lightweight competition.
  - 5 Classification won in accordance with NZRA Rules of Racing is automatic.
  - 6 The Domestic Rowing Commission shall have power to re-classify a rower after examination of the circumstances by the Local Association. All applications for reclassification or confirmation of status should be submitted in writing by the Club on behalf of the rower to the Local Association before 1 November each season. Local Associations, having made their decisions, must refer the details of the applications and their decisions to the Domestic Rowing Commission for endorsement before 30 November in the same season.

### **RULE 13 - CLASSIFICATION OF SCULLERS:**

1. The classification of rowers as defined in Rules 12 shall be applied separately to sculling except that any rower who has ceased to be a novice shall cease to be a novice sculler and novice sweep-oar rower, and any rower who has ceased to be eligible to row or scull in Club class shall be ineligible to row in that class as either a sculler or a sweep oar rower.

### **RULE 14 - LIGHTWEIGHT ROWERS:**

1. In races where a weight limit applies, lightweight rowers shall be weighed individually in rowing costume on tested scales not less than one hour and not more than two hours before their first race in which they are competing on each day of competition.
2. A Club representative, other than the rower/s, should also attend the weighing in.
3. If the race is subsequently postponed, the lightweight rower/s is not required to be weighed later on the same day for that event.

### **RULE 15 - COXSWAINS:**

1. A coxswain is a member of a crew.
2. A male coxswain may steer a women's crew and vice versa.
3. The minimum weight for a coxswain is 55kg.
4. To make up the minimum weight, deadweight shall be placed in the boat in such a manner that it does not impede the coxswain's exit from the boat. The deadweight must be of a solid substance and not attached to a person. The deadweight shall not include any article of rowing or racing equipment. The maximum weight of deadweight to be carried shall be 20kg.
5. Coxswains shall be weighed in racing uniform including life jacket on tested scales not less than one hour and not more than two hours before their first race on each day of competition. Thereafter they may be required to be check weighed prior to and/or after each race including heats and finals.
6. Coxswains shall wear a New Zealand Safety Standards approved life jacket.
7. A coxswain shall be subject to the same rules of substitution as a rower.

### **RULE 16 - SUBSTITUTES:**

1. Permission for substitution is the responsibility of the Race Committee and shall be recorded.
2. Every crew shall be entitled to substitute up to and including one half the number of its rowers (as well as the coxswain, if applicable) provided that the rowers are members of the same club. Name changes must be advised to Regatta Control in writing prior to the race. Regatta Control must also notify the Race Committee of the changes.
3. When there are qualifying heats, no substitution may be made during the racing up to and including the final, except in the event of serious illness to a rower substantiated by a medical certificate. A rower who has been substituted may regain their position in the crew on production of a further medical certificate certifying complete recovery of health of the rower who had been substituted.
4. A single sculler cannot be substituted.

**RULE 17 - SCRATCHINGS:**

1. Where it is necessary to scratch a crew from a race, advice must be given to Regatta Control by a senior club official, by the date and time nominated in the regatta conditions.
2. Clubs, who fail to notify scratchings by the nominated time or whose crew/s do not take part in the event in which they have been entered, shall incur a monetary penalty which shall be decided at a Meeting of delegates from time to time. (*Refer Appendix A*)
3. Clubs, whose crew/s do not take part in all succeeding heats and finals of an event which they have entered after first taking part in a qualifying heat, shall incur a monetary penalty which shall be decided at a Meeting of delegates from time to time. (*Refer Appendix A*)
4. The Race Committee may promote crews next in line should vacancies occur through scratchings.

**RULE 18 - QUALIFICATION SYSTEM:**

1. Should the number of crews taking part in an event exceed that of the available starting positions, a qualification system shall be used to determine the finalists.
2. The FISA qualification system or other similar system shall be used.
3. The allocation of crews to the preliminary heats shall be seeded or random drawn as decided by the Race Committee.
4. The qualifying heats shall be organised in such a way that a rower shall not be required to race more than twice a day in the same event. In emergency, the interval between events may not be enforced and the order of events changed provided that no member of the crews is unduly affected.
5. The Race Committee has the right to combine qualifying heats in the event of scratchings.

### **RULE 19 - SAFETY:**

1. The safety of rowers must be the prime concern of the Race Committee and the race officials conducting the regatta or races.
2. During all regattas or races a medical service should be and a rescue service shall be ready to act both on the land and on the water.
3. Detailed measures to ensure the safety of rowers shall be promulgated by the Regatta Committee.
4. All crews whilst on the water for any reason, including training, moving to the start, or returning, shall observe all traffic regulations in force for the regatta.

### **RULE 20 - DOPING AND TESTING:**

1. Doping in the sport of rowing is strictly prohibited.
2. Rowing New Zealand has adopted the Anti-Doping Policy set out in *Appendix J*.
3. The version of the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code, its Bye-laws and the FISA Anti-Doping Bye-laws valid at the time of any violation shall apply.
4. The Board shall have the power to amend, from time to time, the provisions of the Anti-Doping Policy set out in Appendix J to recognise policy or statutory changes impacting on the Anti-Doping Policy.

### **RULE 21 - UMPIRING:**

1. It shall be the duty of the Race Committee and the Umpire to ensure that each crew/rower races under the same conditions and has the same chance of being placed.
2. During the race it shall be the duty of the Umpire to prevent any outside circumstances or act from helping or hindering any crew/rower. Should an incident likely to influence the result of the race occur, appropriate action as provided in these Rules shall be taken.
3. Crews are responsible for their own steering. Each crew shall have a lane reserved for its own use. A crew may at its own risk leave its lane provided that it does not impede any of its opponents or gain any advantage thereby. The Umpire alone shall decide whether or not a boat is in its proper lane.
4. A foul is constituted by any collision or contact between boats or oars of different crews, unless the clash be so slight, in the opinion of the Umpire, that it cannot have influenced the result of the race.
5. The Umpire may call attention to the course steered by a crew/rower only in the following cases:
  - (a) If the crew/rower is about to interfere with another crew/rower.
  - (b) If for reasons of safety.
6. Immediately after all rowers have crossed the finishing line the Umpire shall, if no protest has been lodged, and if the Umpire deems the race to have been in order, indicate this to the Judge by raising a white flag.
7. In the event of interference or foul, the Umpire shall have the power:
  - (a) To allow the race to continue, and accept the finishing order of the boats.
  - (b) To stop the race, impose appropriate penalties, and order the race to be re-rowed from the start either immediately or later. The Umpire may exclude

crews at any time and confine the re-row to such crews as the Umpire shall designate.

#### **RULE 22 - REGATTA CONDUCT:**

1. In carrying out their duties, Umpires or the Race Committee may take disciplinary measures against crews or club officials infringing the Rules of Racing, Regulations for Regattas or refusing to obey instructions given to them by any race official or failing to show proper respect to the official. Such disciplinary measures may include (in principle, after a warning):
  - (a) The removal of a crew from the race in which the infringement occurred, and in serious cases disqualification from the event. The Race Committee shall have the power to extend the disqualification for the duration of the regatta.
  - (b) A disqualification or other disciplinary action beyond the duration of the regatta can be made by the Association running the regatta or the Board after considering the report of the Race Committee. The period of the disqualification shall be communicated to all Associations.
2. Any rower who publicly uses language or acts in any way that would be found objectionable to other rowers, officials, or members of the public, may be subject to disciplinary action following a complaint laid with the Regatta Committee.

#### **RULE 23 - THE START:**

1. The start must be simultaneous. Starters, Aligners and Umpires are responsible for seeing that the correct procedure is followed.
2. Crews must be held in their positions two minutes before the start time. The Starter may start the race without reference to absentees. Crews arriving less than two minutes before the start may be allowed to start under a race penalty. Such a crew causing a false start shall be removed from the event.
3. If there is only one crew in a race, it shall row over the course.
4. When the boats are aligned and the crews are ready to race, the starter shall give the cautionary command "Attention", and after a clearly marked variable pause the starter shall operate a sound signal and/or electronic device to signify the start. The raising of hands by crew members will not be recognized after the command "Attention".
5. A crew causing two false starts must be removed from the event.
6. If a crew while still in the start zone indicates that it has suffered damage to its boat or equipment the Starter or Umpire shall stop the race. The Umpire shall decide, after inspecting the damage, whether the claim was justified and shall, if necessary, apply any appropriate penalty.

#### **RULE 24 - THE RACE:**

1. During racing crews must obey the Rules of Racing.
2. When a race is in progress crews, not having started in it, are forbidden to race alongside or in anyway pace themselves against the crews racing, over the whole or part of the course even outside the marker buoys.
3. Crews shall in no circumstances cause themselves to be followed during the race by other boats or receive advice or instructions other than from authorised officials.

4. A crew, which in the opinion of the Umpire, causes a collision on the water must stop.
5. No crew shall be entitled by reason of damage suffered during a race to claim postponement of a race except where such damage is suffered in the starting zone.
6. A crew has finished the race when the bow of its boat has crossed the finish line. If one or more rowers fall into the water, they shall continue to be part of the crew and the race still valid. A crew crossing the finish line without its coxswain shall not be placed. A sound signal will indicate the crew has crossed the finish line.
7. Any crew not crossing the finish line without a dispensation given by the Umpire or Race Committee shall be considered as removed from the race. The Judges must record any crew not crossing the finish line.

**RULE 25 - PROTESTS:**

1. A crew claiming that its race has been improperly run must make its protest to the Umpire immediately after the finish of the race and before getting out of the boat, except when prevented by unavoidable circumstances.
2. A crew excluded at the start may make a protest to the Umpire at the time.
3. The crew or its representative shall confirm the protest in writing to the Race Committee not later than one hour after the race has been completed. The statement must set out the facts and reasons for their protest, together with a deposit as may be decided at a Meeting of delegates from time to time. *(Refer Appendix A)*
4. The Race Committee shall decide if the protest was justified and shall announce its decision not later than two hours after the last race of the day. If the protest is not upheld the amount of the deposit shall be forfeited to the Regatta Committee.
5. Decisions of Umpires or the Race Committee are final and without appeal in so far as they concern matters of fact connected with the race.
6. The Race Committee shall be empowered to decide at their discretion any cases not covered by the existing rules.

**RULE 26 - APPEALS:**

1. An appeal against the decisions given which is at variance with the present rules must be made within eight days.
2. Appeals should be made to the Local Association running the regatta with a right of a further appeal to the Board.
3. A deposit, as may be decided at a Meeting of delegates from time to time, must accompany the appeal which is forfeited if the appeal is lost. *(Refer Appendix ,A)*

*These Rules of Racing were approved by the Annual Meeting of delegates held in Blenheim on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2005 . Rule 10 amended AGM May 2007. They took effect immediately.*

\*\*\*\*\*