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Kohimarama Yacht Club - Sailor Safety

1. Competitors or their representatives must sign-on each time they leave the shore to enter the course, and to sign off each time they come ashore from the course.
2. A boat that retires from a race must inform the Race Committee as soon as possible.
3. All competitors shall wear buoyancy vests or life jackets in good repair properly secured about their persons and complying with YNZ minimum standard, Safety Regulations Appendix 5, at all times while afloat.
4. All competitors and boats shall comply with the YNZ Safety Regulations Part I. (Refer to the Rule Book – YNZ RRS & SR 2001 – 2005 blue section. These instructions include requirements for boats to have reserve buoyancy, towlines, quick release halyards, sealed masts or drain holes, secured centerboards tillers and rudders, bailers, class insignias and numbers on boats and trailers. The sailors must wear a personal flotation device, be capable of swimming 50 meters, be wearing clothing suitable for the local conditions, well founded equipment and rigging. Crews should exercise caution when going on to the water in boisterous conditions, should stay with their boat if in difficulties. Yachts should not be left unattended with sails flapping in public spaces.)
5. Competitors yacht/sail number must be on both sides of the hull and on their beach trolley.
6. Competitors must stay with their yacht in event of a capsized.
7. If equipment drifts away from a capsized yacht, competitors should not swim after it. Wait until a rescue craft can assist.
8. If there is a strong on-shore wind or large waves on the beach, competitors should consider swimming their yachts ashore by removing the rudder and centerboard, holding the bow of the yacht and allowing the waves to wash them ashore.
9. Competitors should be aware that floors, steps and boat ramps become slippery when wet.