NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

AMENDMENT TO THE

Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions

COOK ISLAND YACHT RACE 2026

1. **Amendment to SI 17 – Penalty System**
   Subject to confirmation of the corresponding Notice of Race amendment, replace the existing scoring-penalty provision with:

   "RRS 44.1 is changed as follows:
   (a) A boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 of the RRS in an incident while racing within the zone of a mark may take a Two-Turns Penalty.
   (b) A boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 of the RRS in an incident while racing outside the zone of a mark may take a One-Turn Penalty.
   (c) For the purposes of this sailing instruction, the zone includes the zone of a starting mark, including the Race Committee vessel forming the starboard end of the starting line and the port-end starting mark.
   (d) The zone is determined in accordance with the RRS definition of Zone, being three hull lengths of the boat nearer to the mark.
   (e) All turns penalties shall be taken in accordance with RRS 44.2. The remaining provisions of RRS 44.1, including the requirements to retire where applicable, continue to apply."

   2. Consequential amendments
   Amend SI 21.8, SI 25.5 and Attachment A wherever necessary to remove or replace references to the previous RRS 44.3 Scoring Penalty, so the penalty provisions are consistent.

   3. Commencement
   This amendment takes effect [effective time, subject to confirmation of valid publication and notice requirements].

   All other Sailing Instructions remain unchanged.

   END OF NOTICE

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