2019 Race Rule Review Process:

Purpose:
To manage any changes to the Waka Ama New Zealand Race Rules

Process:

- Unless otherwise determined by the Waka Ama New Zealand, any requests for race rule changes received during any given year are collected and kept on file until the time the formal process regarding race rule changes commences.

- Invitation (or reminder as appropriate) goes out to regions, and clubs via the website to put in proposals for race rule changes. Each proposal must come from an affiliated club, region or Waka Ama NZ and must be accompanied by an explanation of the rationale for the change.

- In 2019 race rule submissions will be called for by **1 August 2019.**

- The Waka Ama NZ Race Rules committee will produce a document that collates all the proposals (or where appropriate develops alternative proposals to ensure consistency) and puts forward a recommendation to the Board of Waka Ama New Zealand regarding each proposal by **20 August 2019.**

- The Race Rule Committee will make a determination and recommendation if a rule proposal is to be:
  Implemented, Not implemented or Voted on by clubs

  Implemented: Some rules will be implemented due to safety, change of maritime laws, and for sport development or event management purposes.

  Not implemented: The proposal is not feasible

  To be voted on: A proposal for clubs to vote on

- For race rules to be voted on Waka Ama NZ approve the Race Rule change voting document.

- This document is released to all clubs for voting
  -Voting will be electronic
  -Each club may vote once
  -Each club vote counts as 1 Vote and is weighted by membership
  Votes must be submitted **by 6th September 2019**

- For a rule to be changed or introduced by club vote it must achieve a 2/3 majority vote of the member clubs.

- Following voting, the race rules committee shall collate the results and produce a consolidated version of the amended race rules.

- The Waka Ama New Zealand formally adopts the changes and new rules are posted to the website by **13 September 2019**

Time Line of review process

| Submission for race rule changes are recieved by 1st August 2019 | Submissions are reviewed by Race rules Commitee who produce race rule voting document for rules that are to be voted on | Electronic race rules voting document is sent to each club for voting | Clubs submit votes by 6th September 2019 | Race rules updated and published by 13th September 2019 |