



Mount Pacific Downwind

Compulsory Safety Equipment Form

Race Number: _____

Paddler / Captains Name: _____

I, the undersigned, agree to use, wear and carry all the compulsory safety equipment [details of which are available in the Rules, Terms and Conditions on the event website www.dare2sweatevents.co.nz and below], and that my craft, gear and any support vessel (kaiawhina) is structurally sound, is worn/fitted out correctly and in safe working order to compete in the MOUNT PACIFIC DOWNWIND.

I also understand that prior to boarding the barge my craft and I may be subject to a spot check, and that failure to produce this equipment will prevent me from boarding the barge and subsequently competing in the MOUNT PACIFIC DOWNWIND.

Signed (Competitor/Captain): _____ Date: _____

Spot Check: Pass Fail Signed (Event Official): _____

This form must be handed to the event official prior to boarding the barge.

Compulsory Safety Equipment

Per paddler (kaihoe) & paddle craft - irrespective of class

- 1 x approved Buoyancy Vest or Personal Floatation Device [PFD].
 - to be worn on the barge (compulsory for all) or otherwise carried throughout the event in compliance with NZ Maritime Safety Rule 91.4 (6).
 - [Note: the possibility rough seas and adverse weather (i.e., large swells and high winds) arising, plus the close proximity of competitive craft and support/escort/safety vessels, class the Bay of Plenty as an area of heightened risk].
 - should have a minimum of 53 Newton's of buoyancy and meet type 403 or 405 acceptable to NZ Maritime Safety Standard 5823 (2001).
 - [Note: visiting competitors from overseas may use an approved PFD from their country of origin].
- 1 x Whistle (attached securely to Buoyancy Vest or PDF).
- 1 x leg, waist or paddle leash (adding a further point of attachment to the paddle craft and providing a possible means to tow the craft)
- 1 x Course Map—provided on the event webpage www.dare2sweatevents.co.nz (attached securely in view of the navigating paddler (Tatai)).
- 1 x Compass or GPS (attached securely in view of the navigating paddler (Tatai)).
- 1 x Handheld Smoke Flare.
 - NZ Maritime Safety approved.
- 1 x Mobile Phone or VHF Radio in a sealed plastic bag. (Note: repeater channel 63 is the standard calling frequency for transmissions between craft, Coast Guard and the Harbour Master Radio).
- Minimum of 1000ml of fluid (on the paddler or attached securely in the craft within their reach).
- Some energy food (on the paddler or attached securely in the craft within their reach).

Note 1: All (OC1) Ocean Canoes or Waka ama craft will require an additional:

- Spray Deck/Skirt per seat (fitted correctly to the craft). Applicable to non –self bailing/draining craft only.
- 1 x Bilge Pump or Bailer (Tiheru) Bucket securely fastened to the craft. Applicable to non –self bailing/draining craft only. No motorized pumps are allowed.
- 1 x Repair Kit containing:
 - spare rubber lashings (awkaha),
 - duck tape,
 - and bungs.
- 1 x Spare Paddle (Hoe) securely lashed to the craft.

Race Identification

All paddlers (kaihoe), craft and gear must comply with the following points:

- High visibility race bibs (provided by race organizers) must be worn over PFD's at all times on the water.
- Race craft number stickers (if provided by race organizers) must be placed on the front right of competitor's craft.
- A reflective high visibility paddle sticker (if provided by race organizers) must be placed on the backside of each paddlers (kaihoe) paddle blade (hoe).

