

Flushing Village Regatta - Saturday 29th July 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY.

a. The organising authority is Flushing Sailing Club.

2. RULES

2.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS).

2.2 The following Rules are changed:

a. RRS 29.2-Classes recalled will be restarted after the last scheduled start of other classes.

b. RRS 44.1 and 44.2 are subject to change.

2.3 IRC 2017 Rules Parts A, B & C. Amendment to IRC Rule 22.4.2 to change to IRC Certificate crew number + 1.

2.4 Nothing written either in this Notice of Race or the Event Sailing Instructions removes a boat's responsibility to comply with the Falmouth Harbour bye-laws, see: www.falmouthport.co.uk/pdf/bye-laws.pdf

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

a. The Regatta is open to all boats of the classes listed below.

b. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and sending it to the Race Committee, with the entry fee.

c. Entries can be made on the water by giving completed entry forms to the late entry boats.

d. Entrants under 16 years of age shall provide written permission from parent/guardian and completed and signed the parental permission form provided.

e. If 6 or more boats of a class, not listed below, enter a separate class start may be provided at the discretion of the Race Committee.

4. ENTRY FEES

a. The entry fee is £5.00 payable either in the Clubhouse from 10.00am or at the Late Entry boat from 13.15 hours.

b. For Under 16's, the entry fee is free.

5. HANDICAPPING

Handicapping for the Falmouth Area Yardstick (FAY) class will be at the discretion of the Race Committee. Yachts racing under IRC may be required to provide copies of their IRC certificates.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Class flag	Class	Time	Start
	Warning Signal	14.00	FSC Club Line
	Preparatory Signal	14.05	FSC Club Line
Q	IRC/FAY (Fast) Yachts (.850 and above)	14.10	FSC Club Line
U	IRC/FAY (Slow) Yachts (.849 and below)	14.15	FSC Club Line
V & O	Sunbeams, SMODs, Ajaxes, & Open Day Boats	14.20	FSC Club Line
W	FAY Yachts (White Sail)	14.25	FSC Club Line
G	Handicap Gaffers	14.30	FSC Club Line
R	Handicap Dinghies	14.35	FSC Club Line
C	Small Working Boats	14.40	FSC Club Line
B	Large Working Boats	14.55	Inner Harbour start
M	Firebirds	15.05	Inner Harbour start

Class flags must be flown from the backstay or mainsail leech of all boats with the exception of Sunbeams, Ajaxes, Open day boats, SMODS & dinghies.

7. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3rd places in each Class.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Will be available on line at www.pofsa.co.uk and www.flushingsailingclub.co.uk together with this NOR and entry forms. These documents will also be available on the day at Flushing Sailing Club and from the late entry boat.

9. COURSE AREA will be in the Falmouth/St Mawes Harbour, Carrick Roads and Falmouth Bay

10. COURSES to be sailed will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

11. VHF BROADCASTS – the Race Committee may broadcast race information on Channel 72.

12. RISK STATEMENT

12.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

12.4 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the events listed in this Notice of Race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat whilst taking part in the event;**
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;**
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;**
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;**
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;**
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;**
- (g) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date, and is familiar to the crew.**

13. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

**13.1 All Classes ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 5 except: J24 OD - J24 OD Class Rules
Marieholm Folkboat - British Marieholm IF Association Class Rules
Nordic Folkboat - Nordic Folkboat Class Association Rules.**

13.2 All Other Racing: Below is a list of safety equipment to which all competing boats must comply. Each item of Equipment shall function properly and be suitable for its intended purpose in the size of boat on which it is carried. Each item shall be securely stowed and ready for immediate use. Any additional equipment required by class rules must also be carried.

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| 1. Suitable anchor | 10. Powerful torch /spare batteries |
| 2. Fire extinguisher if fuel or gas carried | 11. Two red flares (or LED/Laser equivalent) |
| 3. Horseshoe type lifebuoy or life sling | 12. Two orange smoke flares (or LED/Laser equivalent) |
| 4. Oar and Rowlock if item 15 not carried | 13. Whistle and Fog Horn |
| 5. Bucket and lanyard | 14. Bilge Pump |
| 6. Gas inflated EN 150 Newton lifejacket for each crew | 15. Auxiliary Engine |
| 7. Marine compass and chart of area to be sailed | 16. First Aid Kit |
| 8. VHF radio with suitable marine Channels | 17. Heaving line/throw bag with 15m of floating line
ready and accessible from the cockpit |
| 9. Depth sounding equipment | |

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction applies to mobile phones.

15. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 at all times and shall continue to do so while engaged in racing under this NOR.

16. RACE COMMITTEE

The Race Committee members will be the Race Officer, FSC Vice Commodore and the Secretary of Flushing Village Sailing Regatta.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Secretary of the Committee of the Flushing Village Regatta :-

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