

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLUSHING VILLAGE REGATTA

SATURDAY 4th August 2018

The Organising Authority is Flushing Sailing Club. The Regatta is governed by rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, Class rules, the FVR Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.

High Water 22.57 hrs BST (4.5m) Low Water 17.06 hrs BST (1.5m)

1.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

FLAG	CLASS	TIME	START
	Warning Signal	14.00 hrs	FSC Club Line
P	Preparatory Signal	14.05 hrs	FSC Club Line
Q	IRC Yachts (IRC - .850 and above) YTC Yachts (1045 and below)	14.10 hrs	FSC Club Line
U	IRC Yachts (.849 and below. YTC (1046 and above)	14.15 hrs	FSC Club Line
V & O	Sunbeams, Flying Fifteens, SMODs & Open Day Boats	14.20 hrs	FSC Club Line
W	Byron Yachts (White Sail)	14.25 hrs	FSC Club Line
G	Handicap Gaffers	14.30 hrs	FSC Club Line
R	Handicap Dinghies	14.35 hrs	FSC Club Line
C	Small Working Boats	14.40 hrs	FSC Club Line
B	Large Working Boats	14.55 hrs	Inner Harbour start
M	Firebirds	15.05 hrs	Inner Harbour start

**** Should 6 or more boats of the same design compete in these classes, a separate prize maybe awarded.**

1.2 CLASS FLAGS MUST BE DISPLAYED on all yachts competing in Classes Q,U,W,G,B and C.

1.3 HANDICAPS Yachts racing in Q & U class must indicate on their entry form if they wish to race in either IRC OR YTC. IRC yachts maybe asked for their IRC rating. YTC Yachts in standard configuration will be handicapped in accordance with the published Port List available online.

General Information

2.0 THE START

2.1 The start line for all classes except B & Firebirds will be an imaginary line through the Transit marks above the Clubhouse.

2.2 The start line for Class B & the Firebirds will be between a Committee Boat moored in the inner harbour and a mark carrying a F.S.C. burgee.

See Supplementary Race Instructions for B class and Firebirds.

2.3 RRS26 will be modified for all classes. Warning Class Flag 1 sound signal. Preparatory Flag P 1 sound signal, Start Class Flag Removed 1 sound Signal. All at 5-minute intervals. Flag P will be left displayed until the last Class starts. The Warning Signal for each succeeding class will be displayed at the time of the Preparatory signal of the preceding class.

3.0 RECALLS

3.1 **Individual recalls:** A second sound signal will be made and FLAG "X" will be raised for a short time. Any boat over the line and not returning to the line will be disqualified.

3.2 **General recall:** A general recall of a Class will be signalled by displaying I.C. Flag "First Substitute" accompanied by TWO sound signals. RRS (29.2) is modified in that the First Substitute will remain displayed for four minutes and the recalled Class will start ten minutes after the last scheduled start at the Club. No sound signal will be made with the removing of the First Substitute. Should more than one Class be recalled they will be restarted in their original order at five-minute intervals.

4.0 RACE AREA

4.1 The racing area will be the Inner Harbour, Carrick Roads and Falmouth Bay.

5.0 COURSES

5.1 Individual marks will be displayed by the appropriate flags flown beneath the Class Flag.

5.2 Courses may also be given by VHF radio on Channel 72, failure to do so will not be grounds for protest.

5.3 **Individual Marks.** See Table 1 below for buoy identification and abbreviation

5.4 **Mark Rounding.** Red Flag on mast – Marks to Port (**except for Turning Mark**). Green Flag on mast – Marks to Starboard.

5.5 Turning Mark (Not for B or Firebird Classes see special instructions). If two rounds are to be sailed, the Turning Mark at the end of round one will be a buoy carrying a GREEN FLAG, positioned on the approach to the Finishing Line. This mark is to be left to Starboard at the end of the first round.

6.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

6.1 Cancellation or Abandonment. FLAG “N” over FLAG “A” will be flown at FLUSHING SAILING CLUB. FLAG “N” over FLAG “A” over a Class flag: Racing is cancelled for this Class/Classes.

6.2 Shortening of Courses. FLAG “S” alone signifies that the race ends for all classes on completion of the Round being sailed. FLAG “S” above a Numeral Pennant and Class Flag or Flags, signifies that the next round will be one round only of the new Course signalled, for the class or Classes shown. In all cases the shortening of Courses will be denoted by TWO Sound signals in quick succession.

7.0 OBSTRUCTIONS

7.1 St. Mawes Cardinal Buoy (Lugo Rock) Competitors shall at all times keep to the seaward side of the buoy.

7.2 Mooring Areas Straight lines between the course side of the mooring buoys (whether a vessel is attached or not) on the outer line of both sides of the fairway are designated as continuing obstructions. **See Figure 2 for continuous obstructions in the moorings.** After their Class preparatory signal (Flag P) no boat shall sail inside the moorings.

7.3 Warning Regarding Commercial Shipping: White flags will be displayed at the Clubhouse and Committee Boat as a warning to competitors when the Club is advised of specific shipping movements in the race area. Moving exclusion zones around commercial vessels constricted by their draft or size are designated obstructions. Such exclusion zones extend to 100m on all sides of the vessel including tugs, pilot boats and safety boats escorting the vessel. No competitor is to enter the exclusion zone and if becalmed is to use the engine or other means of propulsion to move out of the way. This should only be sufficient to move out of the exclusion zone and the distance travelled should be the shortest necessary to keep clear.

7.4 Divers: A 30m exclusion zone around a dive boat displaying IC Flag A, an orange pillar mark indicating a diver beneath the surface, and a diver on the surface are designated obstructions. No competitor at any time is to enter the exclusion zone.

8.0 PENALTY TURNS

8.1 A boat may take a One-Turn penalty when she has broken a rule under Part 2 of the RRS 2017-2020.

9.0 FINISH LINE

9.1 The finish line for all classes will be an imaginary line through the transit marks above the F.S.C. Clubhouse.

10.0 TIME LIMIT

10.1 No boat will be timed in after 16.45 hrs unless the Race Officer at their discretion extends the time limit. In classes where more than one round is scheduled and no boat in the Class completes the course within the time limit, the Race Officer may, at their discretion, declare a result based on the times taken at the end of the first round. R.R.S. 35 will not apply.

11.0 PROTESTS

11.1 To be lodged with the Race Committee within 1 hour of the finish of the yacht. Protest flags must be flown except Class R.

12 RADIO COMMUNICATION

12.1 Supplementary race signals may be made by the Race Officer by VHF radio on Channel 72, failure to do so will not be grounds for protest.

12.2 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions.

13.0 INSURANCE

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover £3million per incident or the equivalent.

DISCLAIMER

Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal liability, injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Regatta

TABLE 1. BUOY IDENTIFICATION & ABBREVIATION FOR ALL CLASSES

1.	T	Harding & Wakefield	8.	WN	West Narrows
2.	G	Governor Buoy	9.	J	St. Just Buoy
3.	BR	Black Rock Buoy	0.	NB	North Bank Buoy
4.	CN	SKB Sails	1st Sub.	M	Cove Restaurant
5.	CA	Castle Buoy	2nd Sub.	GY	Choaks Pasties
6.	W	Rustler Yachts	3rd Sub	ST	St.Mawes SC Flag Mark
7.	V	Vilt Buoy	A Flag	Z	Penrose Sailmakers (Zone)

ALL BOATS TO SAIL TWO ROUNDS UNLESS SHORTENED (except Firebirds who will sail one lap of their course)

SUPPLEMENTARY RACE INSTRUCTIONS FOR “B” & FIREBIRD CLASSES

Flushing Village Regatta instructions will apply except for starts from a Committee Boat.

START SEQUENCE

Warning - Class Flag up.

Preparatory - P Flag up.

Start - Both flags down.

All at 5 minute intervals.

COMMITTEE BOAT will be in the vicinity of Deep Venture Buoy and will fly a red or green flag.

STARTING LINE : The starting line will be a transit between the spar flying a red or green flag on the Committee Boat and a distance mark with a black burgee with a yellow V

COURSES will be chalked on the blackboard on the Committee Boat.

(Buoy identification and map on next page)

e.g. 9 5 Committee Boat flying a green flag

If this was signalled the course would be two rounds except for FIREBIRDS who will do one round

St. Just (Starboard) Castle (Starboard)

Turning Mark - Around Pin End Mark of Starting Line carrying FSC burgee (take to same side as all other race marks).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ALL COMPETITORS

ENTRY FEE: All boats must pay an entry fee of £5

LATE ENTRY: A late entry boat may be positioned in the vicinity of the Start (Call sign – Flushing RIB, Channel 37).

LAUNCH: The Club Launch (Call sign–Flushing Launch) will be run and can be hailed on Radio Channel 37.

PRIZEGIVING: At Flushing Sailing Club as soon as possible after the racing, where competitors will be very welcome and a traditional cakey tea will be provided for a small charge. The Bar will be open from 15.00 hrs.