

FALMOUTH SAILING WEEK 2021

Sunday 8th to Saturday 14th August

Organising Authority: Port of Falmouth Sailing Association (PoFSA)
(Website: www.falmouthweek.co.uk/sailing-week)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CARRICK FLEET incorporating the Mylor Yacht Harbour Sunbeam Series, Hine Downing Working Boat Series, Windsport International Shrimper Series and The Mainbrace Carrick Rum Race

Abbreviations:

[NP] - A breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by a boat.

[DP] - Rules for which the penalties are at the discretion of the protest committee.

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024*. The following racing rules are changed:

(a) RRS 37 will not apply.

(b) RRS 63.7. Sailing instructions take precedence over the notice of race.

Other changes are described in the relevant sailing instruction.

1.2 The respective rules of the Falmouth Working Boat, Falmouth Gaffer, St Mawes One Design classes and the local Shrimper 19 class state that for the purposes of the definition of "Start" and "Finish" and rules 21.1, 29.1, 30 and 44.2 of the RRS (but not any other rules) the term "hull" includes a boat's bowsprit in its normal position.

1.3 With the permission of the UK class association, Flying Fifteen class rule B14.5 is deleted. Boats shall carry a working marine VHF transceiver as required by Notice of Race (NoR) regulation 3.5(c).

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the Falmouth Week website www.falmouthweek.co.uk/race-management.

2.2 The race committee may use email and WhatsApp to alert competitors to notices being posted. The QR code to join the Carrick Fleet WhatsApp group is attached to these sailing instructions.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2030 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the signal mast at the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club, and may be repeated at Mylor Yacht Club, Restronguet Sailing Club and St. Mawes Sailing Club.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 75 minutes" in the race signal AP.

4.3 When flag Third Substitute over flag B is displayed ashore on Sunday, then see SI 6.3.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Because of the ongoing Covid situation the race briefing will take the form of a video presentation published on the official notice board at <https://falmouthweek.co.uk/race-management/>. Competitors will be alerted by WhatsApp.

- 5.2 Racing is scheduled on 7 days from Sunday to Saturday. One race is scheduled each day, except that on Thursday, Friday and Saturday the Sunbeam, Ajax and Shrimper classes will sail 2 races back-to-back, which will comprise a 3-day series.
- 5.3 For all classes, Wednesday is a stand-alone race that will not be scored in any series.

5.4 Carrick Red Group

Regatta Class	Class Flag	Warning signal each day apart from Wednesday	Warning signal on Wednesday
YTC Boats ⁽¹⁾	J	1300	1200
Rustler/Piper 24 ⁽²⁾	E	1305	1205
Shrimper 19 ⁽²⁾	H	1310	1210

Note 1: comprises the Flying Fifteen, YTC Cabin Boat and YTC Day Boat classes racing as a composite class. Separate class prizes may be awarded if there are sufficient entries.

Note 2: these classes are not required to display their class flag.

5.5 Carrick Green Group

Regatta Class	Class Flag	Warning signal each day apart from Wednesday	Warning signal on Wednesday
Large Working Boat	B	1350	1250
Small Working Boat	C	1355	1255
Sunbeam ⁽¹⁾	V	1400	1300
Ajax ⁽¹⁾	W	1405	1305
Falmouth Gaffer	G	1410	1310
SMOD ⁽¹⁾	D	1415	1315

Note 1: these classes are not required to display their class flag

5.6 Sunbeam, Ajax and Shrimper classes sailing two races per day

The second race will start as soon as possible after the last boat in each class has finished the first race.

5.7 Alert signal

To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

6. RACING AREA

- 6.1 The racing area is depicted in the chartlet at Addendum A.
- 6.2 The race committee signals vessel is Sweet Briar, a white, two-masted Bermudan ketch, positioned in the course area so as to give a windward start.
- 6.3 On Sunday class B will race in the Helford River Estuary under the control of the Bay race committee signals vessel, weather permitting. An amendment to these sailing instructions will be provided to competitors in this class. However, if on that day flag Third Substitute over flag B is displayed ashore, then this class will race in the Carrick race area.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 All classes will sail regatta courses, except that classes V and W will sail a windward-leeward course for their first race on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The courses to be sailed will be announced on VHF Ch. 77 by reading out the course marks (using the one- or two-letter ID code phonetically) in the order in which they are to be passed and stating the side on which they are to be left. Failure to receive the broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 7.2 Course information will be announced no later than the orange alert signal and repeated after the preparatory signal for each class.
- 7.3 A course diagram and instructions specific to the windward-leeward course for classes V and W are at Addendum C.

8. MARKS

A chart showing the approximate positions of the marks is at Addendum A. The mark letters, mark descriptions and approximate coordinates are at Addendum B.

9. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 St Mawes south cardinal mark (Lugo Rock buoy) shall be passed on its safe navigational side.
- 9.2 No boat shall sail inside moorings and to this end the mooring areas inside the continuous straight lines between the outer line of mooring buoys (whether a vessel is attached or not) on each side of Falmouth Harbour, and on the south side of St Mawes Harbour, are designated prohibited areas that no boat shall enter while racing.
- 9.3 Commercial and military shipping under way and constricted in their ability to manoeuvre or constrained by their draft are designated as moving exclusion zones. The exclusion zone extends to 100m on all sides of the vessel and includes tugs, race committee escort vessels and pilot vessels. No boat shall enter the exclusion zone and if becalmed may use any means of propulsion to move out of the way. This should only be sufficient to leave the exclusion zone by the safest possible route and offer the competitor no significant advantage in the race.
- 9.4 Exclusion zones extend 25m around a dive vessel displaying code flag A, an inflatable orange buoy marking a diver just under the surface, and a diver on the surface. A boat shall not enter the 25m zone.
- 9.5 No boat shall pass between the signals vessel and the start line outer distance mark (see SI 10.2) after starting, except for classes V and W when they are finishing their windward-leeward race on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

10. THE START

- 10.1 Changing RRS 26, no visual start signals will be made. A voice countdown will be broadcast on VHF Ch. 77. Failure to receive the broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff on the signals vessel displaying an orange flag and the course side of an inflatable yellow cone mark.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence of other races. [NP][DP]
- 10.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start" (DNS). This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 10.5 In the event of a general recall, the race signal First Substitute will be removed 3 minutes after the start without a further sound signal. The warning signal for the recalled class will be the start of the final class to start in the group sequence. In the event of more than one class being subject to a general recall they will start after the sequence in their original order with the start signal of the earlier class being the warning signal for the next. This changes RRS 29.2.

11. CHANGE TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

No legs will be changed.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between the mast on a committee vessel (a white sloop, "Melkin") displaying a blue flag and the last mark of the course, except see 12.2 for classes B, C & V on Thursday and Saturday.
- 12.2 On Thursday the race for classes B and C, and the second race for class V, will finish on the Royal Cornwall YC club finish line and on Saturday these classes will similarly finish on the Flushing SC club finish line. If a club line finish is not possible the finish vessel will fly flag S over B, C and V and these classes will finish on the finish line stated in SI 12.1.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

As permitted by RRS 44.1, for all classes the two-turns penalty is replaced by the one-turn penalty.

14. TIME LIMITS

Format	Time Limit	Finish Window closes
One normal race per day	Three hours	30 minutes after expiry of the time limit
Mainbrace Rum Race	Four hours	40 minutes after expiry of the time limit
Two races per day	Two hours	20 minutes after expiry of the time limit

Boats still racing when the stated finish window expires will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Boats shall comply with RRS 61.1(a) irrespective of their length. This changes RRS 61.1(a)(2) which is deleted.

15.2 Protest forms are available at host club of the day or may be downloaded from <https://www.rya.org.uk/racing/racing-rules/Pages/rya-protest-form.aspx>. Protests shall be submitted, and protest hearings will be held, as shown in the table below:

Protests for races on:	Protest time limit	Protest form to be handed to:	Protests will be heard at:	Schedule of protests will be posted at:
Sunday	1800 Sunday	Sailing Secretary, RCYC	MYC on Monday	MYC by 1820 Monday
Monday	1800 Monday	Sailing Secretary, MYC	MYC on Monday	MYC by 1820 Monday
Tuesday	1800 Tuesday	Sailing Secretary, RSC	RSC on Tuesday	RSC by 1820 Tuesday
Wednesday	1800 Thursday	Sailing Secretary, RCYC	RCYC on Thursday	RCYC by 1820 Thursday
Thursday	1800 Thursday	Sailing Secretary, RCYC	RCYC on Thursday	RCYC by 1820 Thursday
Friday	1800 Friday	StMSC office	StMSC on Friday	StMSC by 1820 Friday
Saturday	1800 Saturday	Sailing Secretary, FSC	RCYC on Saturday	FSC by 1820 Saturday

15.3 The protest time limit applies also to protests by the race committee about incidents they observe in the racing area.

15.4 Adding to RRS 66, if race signal “N over A” is displayed ashore on the last scheduled day of racing a request to reopen a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the signal is displayed.

16. SCORING

16.1 Single day entries will be excluded from series results.

16.2 Races are scheduled as follows:

(a) All classes except Sunbeam, Ajax and Shrimper 19. 6 races are scheduled in the series (Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday).

(b) Sunbeam, Ajax and Shrimper 19. 6 races are scheduled in the series (Thursday to Saturday inclusive).

16.3 One race is required to be completed to constitute the series.

16.4 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boats score will be the total of her race scores.

16.5 When from 5 to 6 races are completed a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS [NP][DP]

17.1 SIs 17.2 -17.5 are in addition to the requirements of NoR regulations 3.5.

17.2 Competitors who leave the safety of the cockpit of a boat not fitted with guardrails shall wear an appropriate personal flotation device.

17.3 A boat retiring from a race shall notify the signals vessel, or another official vessel, as soon as possible by either voice hail or on VHF Ch. 77. If unable to do so, they shall inform the race office by phone (07555 574308) at the first opportunity.

17.4 Competitors shall obey the instructions of an official vessel displaying Flag R to move out of the way of shipping constricted in its ability to manoeuvre or constrained by its draft.

17.5 Competitors requiring assistance from a patrol vessel should contact “Carrick Safety Control” on VHF Ch. 69.

18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed

immediately to a designated area for inspection.

19. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. The race committee grants permission for Flying Fifteens to be dry-sailed.

20. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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

21. PRIZES

21.1 Prizes will be awarded in accordance with the Notice of Race.

21.2 Subject to the ongoing Covid situation not worsening, daily prizes will be presented at approximately 1815 as follows:

Sunday	RCYC (except not B class if it races with the Bay fleet)
Monday	MYC
Tuesday	RSC
Wednesday	No prize-giving because of the flying display
Thursday	RCYC (including the prizes for Wednesday)
Friday	StMSC
Saturday	FSC

Daily presentations will be preceded by refreshments for competitors and followers. Because of the settings at each club different Covid arrangements will apply. For last minute information competitors should check the club hosting information on the event website

<https://falmouthweek.co.uk/host-clubs/>.

21.3 Series prizes will be presented on Saturday at Flushing Sailing Club at approximately 1900 following the daily prizegiving.

22. RISK STATEMENT

22.1 Rule 3 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".

22.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, 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 to such inherent risk 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 and omissions;
- (d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) it is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing for the event.

22.3 The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in these sailing instructions.

23. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident, or the equivalent.

Addendum A - APPROXIMATE LOCATIONS OF MARKS

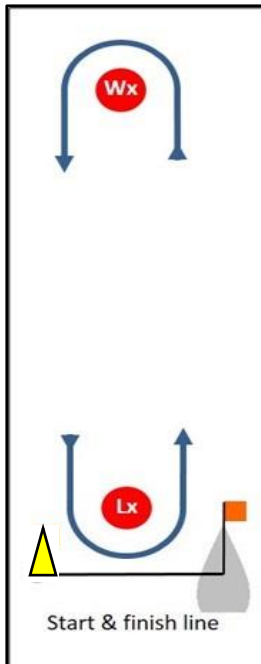


Addendum B - REGATTA COURSES: COURSE LETTERS, MARK DESCRIPTIONS AND APPROXIMATE COORDINATES OF MARKS

CODE	MARK	DESCRIPTION	LAT	LONG
Bo	Bohella	Yellow inflatable cone	50° 09.30'N	005° 00.95'W
Br	Black Rock	Red navigation buoy	50° 08.68'N	005° 01.74'W
Ca	Castle	Green navigation buoy	50° 09.00'N	005° 01.65'W
Cc	Cream Cornwall	Yellow spherical with name	50° 09.80'N	005° 02.09'W
Ck	Carick	Green navigation buoy	50° 11.59'N	005° 02.74'W
Cn	SKB Sails	Yellow spherical with name	50° 08.73'N	005° 01.22'W
En	East Narrows	Green navigation buoy	50° 09.43'N	005° 01.89'W
F	Falmouth	Orange inflatable cone	50° 09.50'N	005° 03.54'W
Fn	B, C & V club finish	RCYC/FSC finish lines	n/a	n/a
G	Governor	East cardinal BYB buoy	50° 09.15'N	005° 02.40'W
Hd	Hine Downing	Yellow spherical with name	50° 08.39'N	005° 02.76'W
J	St Just	Red navigation buoy	50 10.44'N	005 01.72'W
Lx	Carrick Leeward	Orange inflatable cone	Close to windward of start line	
Me	Messack	Green navigation buoy	50° 11.31'N	005° 02.22'W
Nb	North Bank	Red navigation buoy	50° 10.34'N	005° 02.26'W
P	Pendennis Shipyard	Yellow spherical with name	50° 08.78'N	005° 02.10'W
Pb	Pasco's Boatyard	Yellow spherical with name	50° 10.75 N	005° 01.45'W
Pl	Pill	Green navigation buoy	50° 12.05'N	005° 02.40'W
Pw	Mylor Yacht Harbour	Yellow spherical with name	50° 10.48N	005° 02.37'W
S	Sunbeam	Yellow spherical with name	50° 09.99'N	005° 02.63'W
Sn	Sailtech	Yellow spherical with name	50° 09.30'N	005° 01.79'W
T	Penrose Sailmakers	Yellow spherical with name	50° 09.69'N	005° 03.00'W
V	Vilt	Green navigation buoy	50° 09.99'N	005° 02.28'W
W	Mylor Rigging	Yellow spherical with name	50° 09.60'N	005° 01.93'W
Wn	West Narrows	Red navigation buoy	50° 09.39'N	005° 02.07'W
Wt	Ancasta	Yellow spherical with name	50° 10.13N	005° 01.90'W
Wx	Carrick Windward	Orange inflatable cone	To windward of Carrick Committee Boat	
Z	Falmouth Boat Co	Yellow spherical with name	50° 08.15'N	005° 01.10'W

Addendum C - COURSE DIAGRAM AND SPECIFIC SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE SUNBEAM AND AJAX WINDWARD-LEEWARD COURSE

Courses and course diagram



COURSES	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
2	Start - Wx - Lx - Wx - Finish
3	Start - Wx - Lx - Wx - Lx - Wx - Finish

1. THE COURSES

- 1.1 Courses and the range and bearing of the windward mark will be announced on VHF and by no other means.
- 1.2 The diagram above shows the courses, the starting and finishing line, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 1.3 If the shortened course signal is displayed by the signals vessel as boats approach mark Lx then boats shall pass Lx on the required side and proceed to the Finish.

2. MARKS

Marks Wx & Lx will be orange inflatable cone buoys.

3. CHANGE TO A LEG OF THE COURSE

No marks will be moved during any race.

4. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be the starting line crossing in the reverse direction.

NOT PART OF THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

QR CODE TO JOIN THE CARRICK FLEET WHATSAPP GROUP

1. Open WhatsApp, tap Camera
2. Hold device over the QR code to scan (adjust distance so QR code fits the screen)
3. Tap ADD

