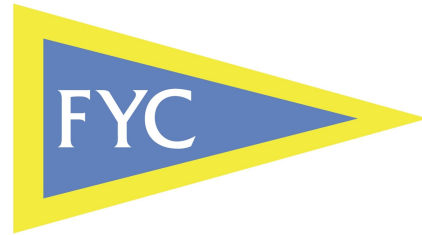


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2019 Yacht REGATTA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on a notice board in the boatyard on the North side of the FYC Club House.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be advised during the briefing and will be posted on the notice board.

4 SIGNALS

Signals made ashore will be displayed at Fisherrow Harbour on the flagstaff on harbour wall. Signals made offshore will be displayed on the committee boat.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 It is intended to schedule up to 3 races on Saturday, back to back.

5.2 The start times of the first race each day are as follows:

| Date | Class | 1 st Race Start Time |
|---------------|--------|---------------------------------|
| Sat 31st Aug. | Yachts | 14:30 |

5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal is 5 minutes before the Start Time.

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The class flag for yachts is "numeral one" flag.

7 HANDICAPS

- 7.1 Handicaps will be based on the current FYCA handicaps, but may be altered at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 7.2 A boat entering the race without a handicap will be given one by the Race Committee.
- 7.3 Yachts whose handicap assumes a spinnaker, if racing without a spinnaker, may claim a 4% handicap allowance, but must do so at the time of entry. (This supersedes the FYCA Handicap Policy.)

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The courses are shown in Appendix 1 and 2.
- 8.2 Course cards will be displayed on the committee boat to indicate the course for each fleet and the direction of mark rounding.

8.3 THE START

- 8.3.1 The start line shall be between two spherical orange marks.
- 8.3.2 The committee may be in a RIB adjacent to the start line or in heavy weather, positioned on the harbour wall.
- 8.3.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.

8.4 THE FINISH

- 8.4.1 The finishing line will be the same as the start line..
- 8.4.2 Boats MUST pass through their start/finish line on each upwind leg.**
- 8.4.3 Boats MUST NOT pass through the start/finish line on either side of the committee boat while on the downwind or reaching legs of the course.**
- 8.4.4 The number of laps to be sailed will not be pre-determined. Results will be evaluated using the average lap time system.
- 8.4.5 Shortly before the finish, flag S will be displayed with two sound signals. Boats will finish the race when they next pass through the finish line at the end of their current lap.
- 8.4.6 Boats awaiting the next start must stay clear of the start/ finish area.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Yacht marks will be the FYC fixed marks off Musselburgh, a large yellow inflatable "LOMO" marks and spherical white buoys laid off Fisherrow according to the conditions on the day.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions:

- ◆ the harbour entrance

11 TIME LIMITS

A time limit of 90 minutes will apply to each race.

12 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 Protests shall be written on forms available from the Race Office and delivered there within the Protest Time, which for each class is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

- 12.2 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.
- 12.3 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses.
- 12.4 Parties involved in a protest may agree to use the RYA arbitration procedure. Protests not resolved by arbitration will be forwarded to a protest committee. A boat that is found by arbitration to break a rule shall receive a penalty of 40% of her race score with a minimum of 3 points.
- 12.5 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.4.
- 12.6 Rule 66 is changed by adding this sentence: 'On the last day of racing, a party to the hearing may ask for a reopening no later than one hour after being informed of the decision.'

13 SCORING

- 13.1 The Low Point scoring system, rule A4, will apply. There will be no discards.
- 13.2 Results shall be calculated on the basis of average laps i.e. the elapsed time is divided by the number of laps completed by each boat.
- 13.3 In the event of significant number of boats failing to finish within the time limit, results may be calculated on the basis of laps already completed. The decision to do this will be that of the Race Office, which will be final.

14 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the sailing instructions.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

All Yachts should keep a listening watch on VHF channel 08.

16 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for the top three yachts.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

21 INSURANCE

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

Appendix 1 Yacht Courses

Courses will be displayed on the committee boat.

Yacht courses use the permanent FYC marks and up to two additional marks optionally laid on the day.

The course letters if displayed in capitals will mean "leave that mark to port", if in lower case, "leave to starboard". At the beginning and end of the sequence, yachts will pass through the start / finish line and unless signalled to stop by the Committee Boat showing the "S" flag, start another lap.

Yacht marks are :

| | Description | Approx Location |
|------------|----------------------------------|---|
| E,e | East , orange pillar | N 55° 57.130' W 03° 03.542' |
| R,r | Rockville , orange pillar | N 55° 57.100' W 03° 05.164' |
| Y,y | Yellow Lomo mark | Dropped on the day |
| D,d | Spherical white mark | Laid according to conditions on the day |
| H,h | Spherical white mark | Laid downwind of the starting line. |
| | Start Finish Line | As previously stated. |