

Felpham Youth Regatta 2017
Wednesday August 16th to Saturday August 19th
Organizing Authority: Felpham SC (FSC)
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*. In the event of a clash between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions these Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.
- 1.2. The Exoneration Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available at this event. The Exoneration Penalty shall be 30%
- 1.3. RRS 40 will apply at all times whilst afloat but flag Y will not be displayed.

2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located next to the registration desk in the clubhouse

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 13:00 on the day the change is due to take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore:

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the club mast
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. Schedule of Races

- 5.1. Dates of racing: August 16th to August 19th
- 5.2. Number of races: 8
- 5.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for **Race 1, 3, 5 and 7**, on each day is 13:25
- 5.4. **Races 2, 4, 6 and 8** will be sailed as soon as is practicable after the completion of the preceding race.
- 5.5. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag may be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.6. No warning signal will be made after 16:00 on Saturday, August 19th.

6. Class Flags

- 6.1. Class flags will be:

Class	Flag
Gold Fleet	ICF 'V'
Silver Fleet	ICF 'T'

7. Racing Areas

- 7.1. The racing area shall be off Felpham beach and detailed fully in the sailors briefing

8. The Courses

- 8.1. The courses to be sailed shall be advised in the sailors' briefing before racing each day

9. Marks

9.1. Marks will be a combination of orange and yellow cylindrical marks.

10. The Start

- 10.1. The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat at the starboard end and a pin-end mark.
- 10.2. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

11. The Finish

- 11.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and an offset finishing mark as advised in the course diagrams.
- 11.2. If ICF 'S' is displayed from the Committee Boat sailors shall finish on completion of their current lap. ICF 'F' may be displayed from a RIB at a leeward gate to indicate this.
- 11.3. Scores shall be calculated on an average lap basis. Boats shall continue to sail the course until ICF 'S' is displayed from the Committee Boat.

12. Time Limits and Target Times

- 12.1. The time limit and target times shall be 40 minutes and 30 minutes respectively
- 12.2. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

13. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 13.1. Protest forms are available from the registration desk. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 13.2. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has returned to the beach or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 13.3. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, the location of which will be detailed on the official notice board.
- 13.4. Breaches of instructions 10.2 and 16 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

14. Scoring

The scoring system is as follows:

- 14.1. 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2. When 4 or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 14.3. When five or six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When seven races have been completed a boat's score shall be the sum of her race scores less her two worst scores.

15. Trash Disposal

15.1. Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

16. Radio Communication

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

17. Prizes

Prizes will be given as follows:

- 17.1. The first, second and third boats with the lowest accumulated series score after discard in each fleet
- 17.2. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority

