

FSMBC, Cruiser Instructions 2/9/17



Gilkicker to Cowes race

- The races will be sailed under the current RRS * (The Racing Rules of Sailing) and the prescriptions of the R.Y.A.
- Motors must be off 5 minutes before the start, and remain off for the duration of the race.
- **Each yacht must have a Byron handicap, before the start of race.**
- This race will form part of a two-race series, R1 – to Cowes, R2 - from Yarmouth.
- All yacht owners must have submitted a 2017 signed Risk / declaration form* to the Sailing Sec. prior to participating.
- Allocated Race Number must be displayed by competing yacht at start.
- Maintain a listening watch on Ch. 77 for instructions from the Race Officer. (Call sign FSMBC Race Control)
- Reminder that VHF Ch. 11 for QHM, Ch. 12 for Southampton VTS and Ch. 67 for Solent Coastguard.
- All yacht owners must inform the Race Officer of their intention to race. Ch. 77 or in person prior to departing mooring.
- **Competitors retiring from race must inform Sailing Sec of their intention.**

Course I
<p><i>Start Time – 0930hr HW (Portsmouth) 1000hrs BST</i></p> <p><i>Start – RNC & RAYC (5G) – Starboard Y 50:46:42 N 01:07:90 W Kemps Quay (5D) – Starboard – Y 50:45:18 N 01:09:65 W Royal YS (44) – Port – Y 50:47:31 N 01:12:10 W Finish – Royal London YC (4K) – Port – Y 50:46:15 N 01:16:65 W</i></p> <p><i>Approx. 7 Nm</i></p>

- **Start will be:** in an Southerly direction, between the Committee Boat and buoy RNC & RAFYC (5G).
- **Start sequence will be:** given on VHF Ch.77. at 5min, 4min, 1min – Club flag lowered at start + Sound signal.
- **Any individual recall or race postponement given on Ch.77.**
- **Finish line will be:** when buoy 4K lies to port on a bearing of 180 deg. (M) Vessel to be within 100M of buoy.
- Contact with the Race Officer can be made on Ch. 77 (Call sign: FSMBC Race Control)
- Competitors are to record their own **Finish Time (BST) in Hr:Min:Sec** taken either from GPS or mobile phone and, if possible, the names of the boats ahead & astern. Please send this along to Sailing Sec. with your boats Name & Race Number to sailing@fsmbcnet.org.uk or text to 07786 614708. NB. Failure to provide the above information by 21.00hrs on the day of race will lead to 'DNF'.

ISAF Fundamental Rules

1 Safety

- **Helping those in danger.**
A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.
- **Life saving equipment and personal buoyancy.**
A boat shall carry adequate life-saving equipment for all persons on board, including one item ready for immediate use, unless her class rules make some other provision. Each competing skipper is responsible for his vessel and crews safety in all conditions.
- **Fair Sailing**
A boat and her owner shall compete in compliance with recognized principles of sportsmanship and fair play. A boat may be penalised under this rule only if it is clearly established that these principles have been violated. A disqualification under this rule shall not be excluded from the boat's series score.

2 Acceptance of the rules. By participating in a race conducted under these racing rules, each competitor and boat owner agrees to:-

- To be governed by the rules (Racing Rules of Sailing*)
- To accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the rules, subject to the appeal and review procedures provided in them, as the final determination of any matter arising under the rules; and
With respect to such determination, not to resort to any court or other tribunal not provided by the rules.

Competitors are also reminded that the International regulations for preventing Collisions at sea or government right of way rules apply between a boat sailing under RRS rules and a vessel that is not.

Particular Attention, is drawn to rule 9 Narrow channels; Competitors must not impede vessels restricted in their ability to manoeuvre. Please keep well clear of all commercial marine traffic.