



*Cushendall Sailing & Boating Club*

## **FLYING FIFTEEN NORTHERN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**2014**

**Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th June 2014**

***Cushendall Sailing & Boating Club, Red Bay, Co Antrim***

### **Sailing Instructions**

#### **1. Rules**

- 1.1 The championship will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and by the rules and prescriptions of the RYA.
- 1.2 The Class Rules of the Flying Fifteen Association in so far as they do not conflict with these sailing instructions.

#### **2. Notices to competitors.**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the clubhouse.

#### **3. Alteration to Sailing Instructions or Schedule**

Changes to sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 on the day it will take effect.

#### **4. Entries**

Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration on the official entry form before the regatta begins. All boats must enter their sail number and must display that number on their mainsail throughout the race.

#### **5. Safety**

- 1.1 In all races owners must ensure crews are properly prepared and clothed to face bad weather and that boats are suitably prepared. All competitors must wear personal flotation devices at all time when afloat. Wetsuits and drysuits are not adequate personal buoyancy.

A Check out and Check in may be operated.

A boat that retires from a race shall inform the race committee as soon as possible.

#### **6. Measurement**

The Race Committee may permit a yacht to use sails carrying distinguishing numbers other than required by RRS Appendix G1 only, in exceptional circumstances. Such requests must be made in writing to the Race Officer.

#### **7. Signals made ashore**

Flag signals ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the front of the clubhouse

#### **8. Schedule of Races**

Dates of racing

Date	Races	First Warning Signal
14 <sup>th</sup> June	1, 2, 3	1255
15 <sup>th</sup> June	4, 5	1055



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To alert boats that a race is about to begin, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.  
One extra race per day may be sailed.

On the last day of the Regatta no warning signal will be displayed after 1400.

### **9 Class Flag**

The class flag will be International Code Flag A

### **10. Racing Area**

The racing area will be in Red Bay.

### **11. Courses**

The diagrams in Apendices A and B show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

Course A ; Windward Leeward will be signalled by displaying Flag W on the Committee Boat.

Course B : Windward Leeward Triangle will be signalled by displaying Flag T on the Committee Boat.

### **12. Marks**

Marks 1, 3, and 4 will be large yellow cylindrical racing marks.

Mark 2 will be a small orange spherical racing mark.

The starting and finishing line will be between a red pole on the committee boat and an orange mark.

A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg in the course is a mark as provided in instruction 14.

### **13. The Start**

The starting line will be that formed by a red pole on the Committee Boat and an orange spherical racing mark.

An inner distance mark may be moored approximately on the starting line and if so no boat shall pass between the inner distance mark and the Committee Boat.

A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

### **14. Change of the Next Leg of the Course**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee boat will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

### **15. Shortening Course**

If Flag S is displayed at a mark, all boats after rounding that mark will sail directly to the finish and will finish by crossing the line from the direction of the last mark.

### **16. The Finish**

The finishing line will be that formed by a red pole on the Committee Boat and an orange mark.

### **16. Time Limit**

The time limit for the leading boat to finish will be 2 hours.

Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This alters Rules 35, A4 and A5.



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### **17. Protests and Requests for Redress**

Protests forms will be available from the Race Office located in the Boat Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

Notices shall be posted no later than 30 minutes after the time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room at Cushendall Sailing & Boating Club.

Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).

Breaches of instruction 19 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. Penalties for this breach may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes Rule 62.2.

### **18. Scoring**

The Low-Point scoring system, RRS Appendix A will apply.

Two races must be sailed to constitute a series.

When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.

When 4 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

### **19. Replacement of Crew or Equipment**

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior approval of the race committee.

### **20. Trash Disposal**

Boats shall not put trash into the water. Trash may be deposited aboard support and official boats.

### **21. Radio Communication**

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

### **22. Risk Statement and Insurance**

As stated in the Notice of Race.

## APPENDIX A – Windward Leeward Course

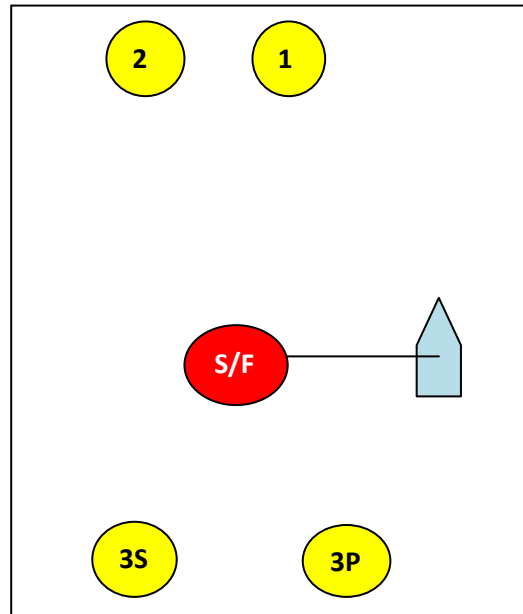
### Windward Leeward Course - Course A

Start; 1,2,3,1,2,3,1,2,3, Finish

Marks 1 and 2 rounded to port

Mark 3S rounded to starboard

or mark 3P rounded to port



## APPENDIX B – Windward Leeward Triangle Course

### Windward Leeward Triangle Course - Course B

Start 1,2,4,1,3,4,1,2,4 Finish

All marks rounded to port

