



## **Mylor Yacht Club**

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS for the FOWEY PASSAGE RACE**

**Saturday 27 May 2023**  
**HW Falmouth: 1105hrs BST, 3.9m.**

### 1. RULES

1.1 The race will be governed by:

1.1.1. The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 – 2024.

1.1.2. The Mylor Yacht Club Notice of Race 2023.

1.2 RRS 52 is changed. See paragraph 11: SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Mylor Yacht Club website

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any changes to these sailing instructions will be posted before 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 There will be no signals made ashore.

### 5. CLASSES AND CLASS FLAGS

5.1 All yachts will sail in one class. Where possible, all participating boats shall fly their class identification flag from their backstay or leech of the mainsail.

5.2 Competitors are encouraged to fly the MYC burgee when entering Fowey Harbour.

### 6. RACING AREAS AND COURSES

6.1 The racing area will include Falmouth, Veryan and St Austell Bays.

6.2 The course will be: Start to Fowey Finish line.

### 8. START

8.1 No starting signals will be given. Competitors are to choose their own start times to make best use of tides and weather but are not to start before 0800 hrs on 27 May. Competitors shall record their start time and, if possible, note the name of the boat ahead and boat astern at their start.

8.2 The starting line will be the transit line formed by the PoFSA Transit poles on the Eastern side of Pendennis Point, the outer distance mark of this line is Black Rock Beacon (i.e. leaving Black Rock Beacon to port). Competitors should be aware of the reef extending north and south from Black Rock.

### 9. FINISH

9.1 The finish line will be an imaginary line between Punch Cross and St Catherine's Castle at the entrance to Fowey Harbour when Punch Cross is on a bearing of 110°. See attached images.

9.2 Competitors shall record their finish time and, if possible, note the name of the boat ahead and boat astern at their finish, and notify the Race Officer.

### 10. SHORTEN COURSE

10.1 Any decision as to whether the course will be shortened at Dodman Point will be taken by the Race Officer in Fowey, when all boats have checked in or been accounted for. The decision to shorten the course will be solely at the Race Officer's discretion.

10.2 Competitors shall record their time and, if possible, note the name of the boat ahead and boat astern when the boat crosses an imaginary line bearing 180° magnetic from the obelisk on Dodman Point (approx 50°13'.20 N 04°48'.20 W).

### 11. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1 Competitors shall keep to the seaward side of Gwineas East Cardinal Mark (off Gorran Haven) and Cannis Rock Southerly Mark (off the Fowey harbour entrance).
  - 11.2 A boat will count as a starter if:
    - 11.2.1 An online 2023 entry form has been completed.
    - 11.2.2 Where a boat has not previously raced during 2023, an online entry form must be completed at least 48 hours prior to the start of the race they are entering.
    - 11.2.3 A current YTC certificate has been obtained or application made.
    - 11.2.4 If a current YTC certificate has not been obtained, then a temporary YTC number shall be requested from the Racing Secretary at least 48 hours before the Race
    - 11.2.5 An E- Mail, WhatsApp or text confirmation of intention to start the race and crew list has been made to the Race Officer, Simon Fleming on 07860 536402 [fleminggreenbank@yahoo.com](mailto:fleminggreenbank@yahoo.com)
  - 11.3 Choice of VHF channel for race communication. The Race Officer will inform competitors on Channel 16 of the working channel (6 or 77) to be used.
  - 11.4 Boats retiring. Competitors shall promptly call the Race Officer on VHF Channel 16, 6 or 77 or call the Race Officer's mobile phone (07860 536402) or the shore base number (to be advised). If a competitor decides not to start after confirming their intention to start on 27 May, then they shall report this as a retirement.
  - 11.5 Berthing and other arrangements in Fowey. Additional information may be posted on the official notice board in respect of contact numbers and social and berthing arrangements at Fowey.
  - 11.6 Self steering gear. Any type of self steering gear may be used. This changes RRS 52.
12. RESULTS
- 12.1 Results will be calculated using YTC handicaps.
13. TIME LIMIT
- 13.1 The time limit will be 1800 hrs on the day of the race.
14. SAFETY
- 14.1 Communication for the purpose of safety or race management will be by VHF Channels 6 or 77.
  - 14.2 Competitors are reminded of the Rules and Conditions of Entry in the Notice of Race.
  - 14.3 The acceptance of these sailing instructions in no way limits the declared responsibility of competitors or places any liability on MYC, its officers or representatives.
15. RISK STATEMENT
- 15.1 Competitors are reminded of Rule 4 in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 – 2024.
  - 15.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the events listed in this Notice of Race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
    - 15.2.1 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 whilst taking part in the event.
    - 15.2.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
    - 15.2.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
    - 15.2.4 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
    - 15.2.5 The provision by Mylor YC of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
    - 15.2.6 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
    - 15.2.7 For the offshore races, they are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date, and is familiar to the crew.
  - 15.3 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.