

Loe Beach Regatta - Saturday 1st June 2024 - Notice of Race

1. The Organising Authority is POFSA (Port Of Falmouth Sailing Association)
2. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules Of Sailing*
3. The Regatta is open to all boats of the classes listed below. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and sending it to the Race Committee with the entry fee
4. Entries can be made on the water by giving completed entry forms to the entry boats or sent before midday on 1st June 2024 to rowenabeckly@hotmail.com Entry fees can also be paid by electronic transfer of funds (BACS) by following instructions on the Entry Form. Online entry is encouraged to minimise the handling of paper.
5. Entrants under 18 years of age shall provide written permission from parent/guardian
6. The minimum entry fee is £5.00. For Under 18's, the entry fee is £0
7. Handicapping for the South West Yacht Time Correction System (YTC) class will be at the discretion of the Race Committee.
8. Warning Signal for Class B will be at 1355. Schedule of races is as follows:

| Start Time | Class Flag | Class |
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| 1400 | B | Large Working Boats |
| 1405 | C | Small Working Boats |
| 1410 | A | IRC - 0.856 and above |
| 1410 | E | YTC - 1000 and below |
| 1415 | V | Sunbeams |
| 1420 | U | YTC - 1001 and above |
| 1425 | T | Dinghies PY 1099 & below |
| 1430 | W | Ajax and other fixed keel day boats. |
| 1435 | R | Dinghies PY 1100 and above |
| 1435 | M | Mirror Dinghies |
| 1440 | G | Gaffers |
| 1445 | D | St Mawes One Design (SMOD) |
| 1445 | H | Shrimpers |
| 1450 | J | Junior Race* |

*A different course may be communicated verbally by their own Sailing School to the Junior Race competitors

Class flags shall be flown from the backstay or mainsail leech **with the exception of dinghies and classes H, D, W and V**. Yachts are requested not to race with an ensign flying.

9. Yachts sailing in class E or class U are to declare whether they will be sailing with a spinnaker and submit the appropriate YTC on their entry form.
10. Sailing Instructions will be available on line at: www.loebeachregatta.com together with this NOR and entry forms. The Sailing Instructions and entry forms will also be available on the day at Loe Beach and from entry boats.
11. Course area will be in the Northern Carrick Roads
12. Courses to be sailed will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions
13. Penalty system. Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed to require only 1 turn, including one tack and one gybe.
14. The respective class associations of the Falmouth Working Boats, the Falmouth Gaffers, the St Mawes One Designs and the Shrimper 19s (Falmouth area) agree that for the purposes of the definition of "Start" and "Finish" and rules 21.1, 29.1, 30 and 44.2 of the RRS (but not any other rules) the term "hull" includes a boat's bowsprit in its normal position.
15. **Risk Statement:**
Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.'

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

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- (a) 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 to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;
 - (h) 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
16. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 at all times and shall continue to do so while engaged in racing under this NOR
17. Junior race
- a. Competitors are reminded that the Junior Race held in conjunction with local sailing schools may be scheduled to start and finish through the Regatta line.
 - b. This race is for children who have limited knowledge skills and experience.
 - c. You are reminded of your obligations under the International Collision Regulations especially rule 5 (keeping a good lookout) and rule 2 (Avoidance of Collisions)
18. If, for any reason, the Regatta is cancelled by the Regatta Organising Committee, entry fees will be refunded upon request.
19. Competitors are invited to join the Loe Beach Regatta WhatsApp Group to receive messages from the Regatta Organising Committee before and during the event.
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Jqs1ro1HISJH7qpQzIgcml>



20. For further information please see the Regatta website (www.loebeachregatta.com)