



# Falmouth Multihull Regatta 2025

Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th September

Organising Authority (OA): RCYC Sailing Ltd, Falmouth, Cornwall, UK

in conjunction with the Multihull Offshore Cruising & Racing Association (MOCRA)

# NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS 63.7 is changed to permit a rule in the sailing instructions to take precedence over a rule in the notice of race, except that neither shall change or alter a class rule.
- 1.3 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) 2024-2025, Category 4 will apply to the coastal race(s).
- 1.4 Local regulations will apply concerning safe navigation in close proximity of vessels restricted in their ability to manoeuvre, including dive vessels. Full details will be given in the sailing instructions (SIs).
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages then the English text will take precedence.

#### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available for download on the online official noticeboard from Monday 22 September. Preliminary versions of the SI may be posted on the website before this date. Entrants will be informed by email and WhatsApp.

# 3 COMMUNICATION

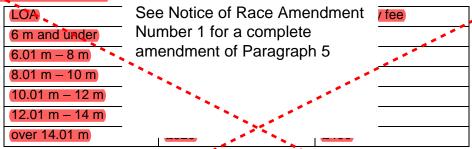
- 3.1 The online official noticeboard is located at <a href="https://rcycsailing.org/falmouth-multihull-regatta-2025-official-noticeboard/">https://rcycsailing.org/falmouth-multihull-regatta-2025-official-noticeboard/</a>
- **3.2** There will not be a physical noticeboard.
- 3.3 Competitors may be alerted by WhatsApp to new notices being posted. The race committee will also use WhatsApp to make other courtesy announcements concerning the event. Boats should register at least one device to receive WhatsApp.
- 3.4 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communication on international channels.
- 3.5 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy and safety broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel(s) will be stated in the SI.
- 3.6 [DP] Except in an emergency, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race each day a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats, unless using equipment provided by the OA.

# 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats that are members of MOCRA or the International Dart 18 Association.
- **4.2** Racing will be provided for the following classes:
  - (a) Firebirds (level rating)
  - (b) Other multihulls holding a valid 2025 MOCRA rating.
  - (c) Darts (level rating).
- **4.3** Eligible boats may enter and pay the required fee by downloading and completing the entry form from the official noticeboard. The form will be available from Monday 21 July.
- An entry is not finalised until entry fees have been paid in full and registration has been completed. Payment shall be by BACS transfer to the following account: RCYC Sailing Ltd, Lloyds Bank bank code 30-99-50, account number 38486362.
- **4.5** The following information is required to be provided before completion of registration, using the digitised forms on the official notice board:
  - (a) crew list;
  - (b) parent/guardian declarations (available for download from the official noticeboard) for competitors under 18 years of age at any time during the event;
  - (c) application for a boat to display national letters or sail number in contravention of class rules.
- **4.6** In addition the following forms will be available to competitors at registration and are to be signed in writing:
  - (a) personal details and declaration form:
  - (b) boat insurance declaration (see also NOR paragraph 24).

# 5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees are based on the length overall of the boat entered (rounded to the nearest centimetre), as shown in the table below:



- The standard entry fee is applicable for entries received on or before 27 August. Entries received after 27 August will be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee and subject to a Late Entry Fee of as shown above.
- The fees cover a welcome reception after the event briefing, including a meal for two people at the RCYC, participation in the racing, two meals at the RCYC after racing on Saturday and prize-giving. (If required, skippers may purchase additional meal tickets at registration, at £25 per ticket. (Berthing fees are not included.)

# 6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Not applicable to this event.

# 7 ADVERTISING

[DP] Boats may be required to display event advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority, in accordance with World Sailing regulation 20.4.1.

# 8 FORMAT OF RACING

- **8.1** The event will consist of a series of four races over the two days of the regatta, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> September.
- **8.2** Racing will comprise windward/leeward racing around laid marks and coastal racing using fixed marks. Full details will be set out in the SIs.

# 9 SCHEDULE

Date	Activity	Time	Location
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Registration	1300-1730	RCYC
	Event briefing	1800	RCYC
	Welcome Reception	1900	RCYC
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Race 1	Warning signal not before 1025	Race area
	Race 2	After Race 1	Race area
	Day prize-giving & BBQ	1900	RCYC
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Race 3	Warning signal not before 1025	Race area
	Race 4	After Race 3	Race area
	Prize-giving	After racing	RCYC

# 10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Boats may be inspected for compliance with MOCRA class rules.

# 11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

Not applicable to this event.

#### 12 VENUE

- **12.1** The race office will be situated at the RCYC.
- 12.2 Racing will take place in Falmouth Bay and adjacent waters to the east as far as Dodman Point. If conditions in the Bay are unsuitable, racing may be held within the Carrick Roads and off Pendennis Point. Charts of the racing area are at Attachment A.

# 13 COURSES

- **13.1** Races 1, 3 & 4 will be Windward/Leeward type as described in the SIs. Races will be approximately 90 minutes in duration.
- **13.2** Race 2 will be a "rounds the cans" coastal race as described in the SI.

# 14 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty will be replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

#### 15 SCORING

No change to RRS Appendix A.

# 16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- **16.1** [DP] All support person vessels (SPV) shall register with the OA and comply with event regulations that will be published with the sailing instructions.
- 16.2 Small SPV arriving by road may be launched and recovered from the public slipway at the Falmouth Watersports Centre after paying the applicable fee. Larger SPV arriving by sea should book in with Falmouth Haven <a href="https://www.falmouthhaven.co.uk">www.falmouthhaven.co.uk</a> Tel: +44 (0) 1326 310 990.

# 17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race in which she participates.

# 18 BERTHING

18.1 Visiting boats may berth at Falmouth Haven (<a href="https://falmouthhaven.co.uk">https://falmouthhaven.co.uk</a>). Depending on the number of entries boats may need to raft up.

18.2 MOCRA has negotiated a 15% discount for competing boats but owners should book directly with Tristan Rowe at Falmouth Haven (<a href="mailto:tristanrowe@falmouthharbour.co.uk">tristanrowe@falmouthharbour.co.uk</a>, 07813 016234) to ensure their requirements both before and after the event are addressed.

# 19 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

[DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during either event except with, and according to the terms of, prior written permission of the race committee.

# 20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

[DP] Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.

# 21 DATA PROTECTION

RCYC Sailing Ltd, in compliance with the UK General Data Protection Regulations 2018 (UK GDPR), will use information provided by competitors for the purposes of this event management only. This data will be held in compliance with the UK GDPR and shared with the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club, MOCRA and, if necessary, the emergency services. It will not be shared with any other third parties or used for marketing purposes other than contacting competitors by email, post, SMS and telephone with information regarding this event or future multihull events. Competitors will be required to provide their specific consent to this on their entry form.

# 22 MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors and/or their Guardians automatically grant to the organising authority and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

# 23 RISK STATEMENT

- **23.1** 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".
- 23.2 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:
  - (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 and omissions:
  - (d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
  - (e) provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
  - (f) 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 a safety briefing held for the event
- 23.3 The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

#### 24 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors will be required to sign a declaration to this effect at registration.

# 25 PRIZES

# **25.1** Prizes will be awarded as follows:

- 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class
- Highest placed woman sailor.
- Highest place young sailor (under 30 years on 28 September 2025)

# **25.2** The OA and MOCRA may award other prizes

# **26 FURTHER INFORMATION**

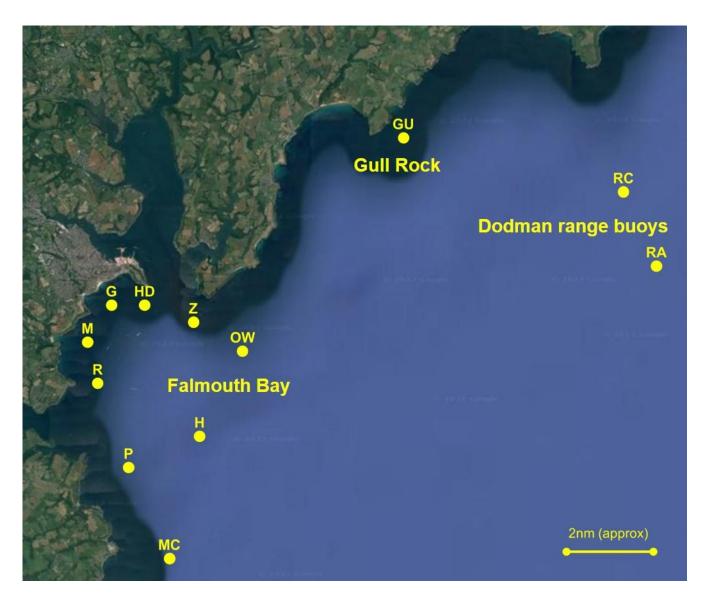
For further information about the venue please visit <a href="www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org">www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org</a> or contact the club office: Tel: +44 (0)1326 312 126, Fax: +44 (0)1326 211 614,

E-mail: multihullregatta@rcycsailing.org

MOCRA local representative: Adam Davis Tel: +44 7771 960 340 Contacts at RCYC: Chris Davis Tel: +44 781 665 4590 Neil Andrew Tel: +44 776 815 7287

For further information on Falmouth and its environs, including accommodation, please visit <a href="https://www.falmouth.co.uk">www.falmouth.co.uk</a>.

ATTACHMENT 1 - FALMOUTH BAY RACE AREA



Full details of the marks to be used and their positions will be set out in the SIs.