



JP MORGAN ASSET MANAGEMENT FINN GOLD CUP

9th May 2012 to 18th May 2012

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

in conjunction with the International Finn Association and British Finn Association

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Abbreviations:

[NP] - A breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by a boat.

[DP] - Rules for which the penalties are at the discretion of the International Jury.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the International Finn Class Major Championship Rules.
- 1.2 The RYA prescriptions that apply are stated in full in Notice of Race Attachment A.
- **1.3** Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- **1.4** If there is a conflict between languages, the English text shall take precedence.
- **1.5** Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.
- **1.6** For the medal race, ISAF Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, will apply and takes precedence over any conflicting instructions.

2. SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

- **2.1** The race committee will protest a boat for a breach of these safety regulations.
- 2.2 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- **2.3** Boats not leaving the harbour for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the Race Office.
- 2.4 On arrival in the racing area, boats shall sail closely to the race committee signals boat, clearly showing their sail numbers.
- 2.5 A boat that retires from racing shall notify the race committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the race office as soon as possible after returning ashore.
- **2.6** Boats shall not sail into any prohibited area as described in SI Addendum A.
- 2.7 When the race committee signals boat displays flag V with repetitive sounds, all official and coach boats shall monitor marine VHF Channel 72 for search, rescue and other instructions.

3. CODE OF CONDUCT [DP][NP]

3.1 Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.





4. FORMAT OF RACING

- **4.1** The format is a Series of 11 scheduled races, comprising an Opening Series of 10 scheduled races followed by a Medal Race or a Final Race.
- 4.2 The ten boats ranked highest in the Opening Series will be assigned to compete in the Medal Race, the remainder will be assigned to the Final Race.
- 4.3 The assignments to the Medal Race will be based on the ranking available either at the close of protest time the day before the Medal Race or, if there are hearings, at 0800 on the day of the Medal Race. The protest committee may extend this time.

5. COURSE AREAS

- 5.1 The course areas, including the Medal Race course, are shown in SI Addendum A.
- 5.2 The normal course area will be Area 1. If conditions dictate, e.g. wind, commercial shipping, then Area 2 will be used, and an official boat, or boats, located at the entrance to Falmouth Harbour will direct competitors to Area 2.

6. THE COURSES

- 6.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum B show the courses, the course designations, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- No later that the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course designation and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

7. MARKS

7.1 Marks 1, 10, 2 and 3, or associated gate marks, will be as follows:

Marks 1, 2 & 3	Mark 1o	Replacement Mark	Finishing Mark
Red cylindrical	Blue spherical	Red cylinder with black	Dan buoy with orange flag
		band	

7.2 The starting line mark will be a race committee vessel. The finishing line mark may be a race committee vessel or a mark described in SI 7.1.

8. CLASS FLAGS

8.1 The Class flag will be the class insignia on a white background, except that for the Medal Race which will have a yellow background.

9. THE START

9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the port end.

10. THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and either:
 - (a) The course side of the nearby finishing mark, or
 - (b) A staff displaying an orange flag on the nearby race committee vessel.





11. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

11.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

Race	Time Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
1 or 2 races per day	120	20	75
3 races per day	120	20	60
Medal Race	60	10	30

11.2 Boats failing to finish within the time stated in the Finish Window after the first boats sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

12. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- **12.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the window of the One Cornwall office at the Falmouth Watersports Centre.
- **12.2** Signals ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the Falmouth Watersports Centre.
- **12.3** When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than 75 minutes" in the RRS Race Signal AP.
- **12.4** Flag AP over H displayed ashore means "Boats shall not leave the harbour. Wait for further instructions". This changes RRS Race Signal AP over H.

13. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

13.1 Any change to the format or schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect and any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect.

14. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS

Date	Races and Official Functions	Time
Saturday, 12 May	Competitor briefing (Events Square)	0930
	Press call and "meet the public" (Events Square)	1030
	Practice Race (1 st Warning Signal)	1255
	Opening ceremony & launch of "Sail for Gold"	1830
	exhibition at NMMC	
Sunday, 13 May	2 Races (1 st Warning Signal)	1055
Monday, 14 May	2 Races (1 st Warning Signal)	1055
Tuesday, 15 May	2 Races (1 st Warning Signal)	1055
Wednesday 16 May	2 Races (1 st Warning Signal)	1055
	BBQ at RCYC	1900
Thursday, 17 May	2 Races (1 st Warning Signal)	1055
Friday 18, May	Final Race and Medal Race (1 st Warning Signal)	1055
	"Wet" medal ceremony and press conference	After racing
	Prize-giving, closing ceremony & party	2000

- 14.1 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.
- 14.2 Races not sailed on the scheduled day may be sailed on the following day at the discretion of the race committee, except that no more than 3 races shall be sailed on any day.





- 14.3 After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 14.4 There will be no Medal Race or Final Race unless 5 races have been completed in the Opening Series.
- 14.5 No warning signal will be made after 1530 on Friday, 18 May.

15. COURSE CHANGES

- 15.1 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32. The length and direction of legs of the course may be changed in accordance with RRS 33.
- To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- Protest forms are available at the race office, located at the Falmouth Watersports Centre. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club beginning at the time posted.
- **16.4** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- **16.5** A list of boats that have been penalised under Appendix P for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- **16.6** Breaches of SIs marked [NP] will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- **16.7** Penalties for breaches of SIs marked [DP] or class rules are at the discretion of the protest committee.
- 16.8 A boat may accept a discretionary penalty for the breaches stated in SI 16.7 before a hearing concerning the same incident by completing a form available at the jury office located at the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club.
- **16.9** On the last day of the opening series, or on the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day:
 - (b) not later that 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
- **16.10** On the last day of the opening series, or on the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 66.2.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 17.2 When fewer that 5 opening series races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.





- 17.3 When 5 or more opening series races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. However, the score from the medal race will not be excluded.
- 17.4 The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed will be DPI.
- 17.5 To request a correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.
- **17.6** Four races are required to be completed to constitute a valid championship.
- 17.7 The boats assigned to compete in the Medal Race will be ranked highest in the regatta except for a boat disqualified under RRS 5 or 69.
- **17.8** For the Medal Race, RRS A4.1 is changed so that the points are doubled, and RRS A4.2 is changed so that scores are based on the number of boats assigned to compete in that race.
- 17.9 For boats assigned to compete in the Medal Race, ties in the regatta score are broken by the Medal Race score. This changes RRS A8. For boats with the same points score in the Medal Race, ties in the regatta score are broken by applying RRS A8 to the opening series scores.
- 17.10 A boat assigned to compete in the Medal Race shall make a genuine effort to start, sail the course and finish. The penalty for a breach of this instruction will be ranking the boat tenth in the regatta. If there are two such boats they will be ranked ninth and tenth, in order of their opening series ranks, and so on. This changes RRS A2.

18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP]

- **18.1** Details of pre-first race equipment inspection, location and schedules will be posted on the official notice board.
- **18.2** Equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules and sailing instructions. When instructed by an event equipment inspector, a boat shall proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- **19.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee or event equipment inspector. Requests for substitution shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity in writing on a form available from the race office or jury office.

20. OFFICIAL BOATS

20.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:

Boat type	Identification flag
Equipment inspection	Yellow flag with black "MEASURER"
First aid/Medical	Green flag with white cross
Jury/Judges	White flag with black "JURY"
Press/media	JP Morgan
Event director	Blue flag with white "Event Director"
VIP	Flag with JP Morgan Asset Management event logo
Race committee	Black flag with white "Race Committee"
Patrol	Red flag with black "Patrol"
Marshall	Black flag with white "Marshall"
Umpires	White flag with black "Jury"





21. COACH BOATS [DP]

- **21.1** For the purposes of these sailing instructions a coach boat includes any boat that is under the control or direction of a person who is providing physical, morale or advisory support to an athlete, including the gathering of data that may be used at a later time.
- 21.2 Coach boats shall display their national flag or national letters at least 200mm high and clearly visible from both sides.
- **21.3** Coach boats shall not interfere with boats racing or official boats, or create a wake that affects boats racing.
- 21.4 Coach boats shall not be positioned:
 - (a) closer than 50 metres of any boat racing;
 - (b) within 50 metres of the starting line and marks from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have left the starting area, or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment;
 - (c) between any boat racing and the next mark of the course;
 - (d) within 50 metres of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark:
 - e) within 50 metres of the finishing line and marks while boats are finishing.
- 21.5 In addition, coach boats that are motoring above 5 knots shall remain at least 150 metres from any boat racing.
- **21.6** Coach boats shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.
- 21.7 Additional restrictions apply to medal races and will be posted on the official notice board.
- 21.8 The International Jury may direct the organising authority to revoke privileges from any boat or person found to be in breach of this sailing instruction.

22. IDENTIFICATION, ADVERTISING, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT [DP]

- **22.1** When provided by the organising authority, boats or crew shall carry, display or wear the following as instructed:
 - (a) Yellow, blue or red bibs;
 - (b) Yellow, blue or red dots on the mainsail:
 - (c) Bow numbers:
 - (d) Event sponsor advertising;
 - (e) Cameras, sound equipment or position (tracking) equipment.

23. RUBBISH DISPOSAL [DP]

23.1 Boats shall not intentionally put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard coach and race committee boats.

24. BERTHING AND BOAT PARK [DP]

24.1 When ashore boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.

25. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]

25.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.





26. PRIZES

- **26.1** The perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winner of the JP Morgan Asset Management Finn Gold Cup. The Organising Authority will provide prizes for the top ten boats overall, and the top three juniors.
- **26.2** Prizes will be awarded to the skippers finishing first in each race.
- 26.3 The "wet" prize-giving to the skippers finishing first, second and third overall will take place at 1530 on Friday, 18 May at the regatta marquee on Events Square, or as soon as possible after racing whichever is later.
- The main prize-giving will take place at 2000 on Friday, 18 May at the regatta marquee on Events Square.

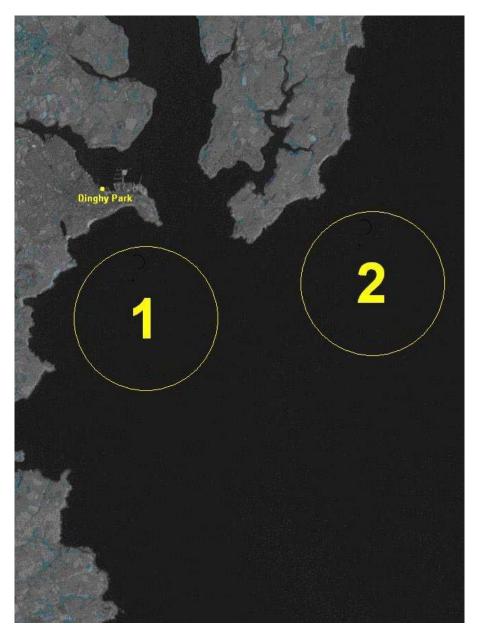
27. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 27.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority or its members will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 27.2 It is for the competitor to decide whether he/she is fit to sail in the conditions which he/she will find. By launching or going to sea, or staying at sea, the competitor confirms that he/she is fit for those conditions and is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 27.3 Nothing done by the organiser can reduce the responsibility of the competitor nor will it make the organiser responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, howsoever it may have incurred, as a result of the boat taking part in racing. The organiser encompasses everyone helping to run the race and the event and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officers, patrol boats and beachmasters.





ADDENDUM A - Approximate Course Areas and Prohibited Areas



Commercial Shipping

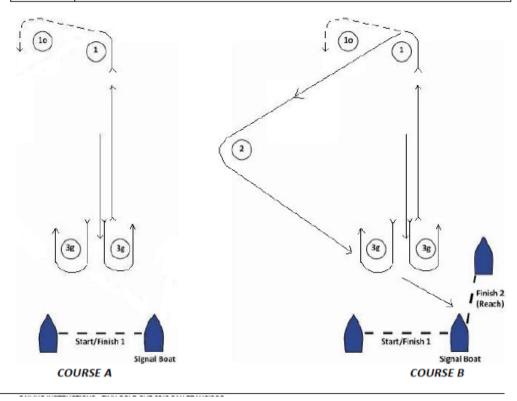
Moving exclusion zones around commercial ships constricted by their size or draft are designated prohibited areas. Such prohibited areas extend to 100 metres on all sides of the ship and accompanying craft such as tugs, pilot vessels, and patrol boats. No competitor is to enter the prohibited zone. Competitors who unnecessarily interfere with commercial shipping risk protest by the race committee. A complaint by the Harbour Authority will initiate a protest by the race committee.





Addendum B - Course Illustrations and Mark Rounding Order

COURSE	ROUNDING ORDER
Α	Start \rightarrow 1(p) \rightarrow 1o(p) \rightarrow 3g \rightarrow 1(p) \rightarrow 1o(p) \rightarrow Finish (Downwind)
В	Start \rightarrow 1(p) \rightarrow 1o(p) \rightarrow 3g \rightarrow 1(p) \rightarrow 2(p) \rightarrow Finish (Reach)







Addendum Q - Umpired Fleet Races

This addendum has been approved by ISAF in accordance with rule 86.2 and ISAF Regulation 28.1.3.

These sailing instructions change the definitions Finish and Proper Course, and rules 20.1, 28.1, 44, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64.1, 65, 66, 70, 78.3 and B7.

Q1 CHANGES TO RACING RULES

Additional changes to rules are made in instructions Q2, Q3, Q4, and Q5.

Q1.1 Changes to the Definitions and the Rules of Part 2 and Part 4

(a) The definition Finish is changed to:

A boat *finishes* when any part of her hull, or crew or equipment in normal position, crosses the finishing line in the direction of the course from the last *mark*, either for the first time or after completing any penalties or, under rule 28.1, after correcting an error made at the finishing line.

- (b) Add to the definition Proper Course: 'A boat taking a penalty or manoeuvring to take a penalty is not sailing a *proper course*.'
- (c) When rule 20.1 applies, the following arm signals are required in addition to the hails:
 - (1) for 'Room to tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing to windward; and
 - (2) for 'You tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.

Instruction Q1.1(c) does not apply to boards.

Q1.2 Changes to Rules Involving Protests, Requests for Redress, Penalties and Exoneration

- (a) The first sentence of rule 44.1 is replaced with: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 (except rule 14 when she has caused damage or injury) or rule 31 or 42 while *racing*.'
- (b) For boards, the One-Turn Penalty is one 360° turn with no requirement for a tack or a gybe.
- (c) Rule 60.1 is replaced with 'A boat may protest another boat or request redress provided she complies with instructions Q2.1 and Q2.4.'
- (d) The third sentence of rule 61.1(a) and all of rule 61.1(a)(2) are deleted. Rule B7 is deleted.
- (e) Rules 62.1(a), (b) and (d) are deleted. In a race where this addendum applies, there shall be no scoring adjustments for redress given under any of these rules for a previous race.
- (f) Rule 64.1(c) is changed so that the provision for exonerating a boat may be applied by the umpires without a hearing, and it takes precedence over any conflicting instruction of this addendum.
- (g) Rules P1 to P4 shall not apply.

Q2 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS BY BOATS

Q2.1 While racing, a boat may protest another boat under a rule of Part 2, except rule 14, or under rule 31 or 42; however, a boat may only protest under a rule of Part 2 for an incident in which she was involved. To do so she shall hail 'Protest' and conspicuously display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity for each. She shall remove the flag before, or at the first reasonable opportunity after a boat involved in the incident has taken a penalty voluntarily or after an umpire's decision. However, a board need not display a red flag.





- **Q2.2** A boat that protests as provided in instruction Q2.1 is not entitled to a hearing. Instead, a boat involved in the incident may acknowledge breaking a rule by taking a One-Turn Penalty as described in rule 44.2. If the protested boat does not take a penalty voluntarily, an umpire will decide whether to penalize any boat and signal the decision as provided in instruction Q3.1.
- **Q2.3** At the finishing line the race committee will display each boat's identification and her finishing place or scoring abbreviation. After this has been done for all boats, the race committee will promptly display flag B with one sound. Two minutes later flag B will be removed with one sound.
- Q2.4 A boat intending to
 - (a) protest another boat under a rule other than instruction Q3.2 or Q4.2(a), or a rule listed in instruction Q2.1,
 - (b) protest another boat under rule 14 if there was contact that caused damage or injury, or
 - (c) request redress
 - shall hail the race committee before or during the display of flag B. The same time limit applies to protests under instructions Q5.4 and Q5.5. The protest committee may extend the time limit if there is good reason to do so.
- **Q2.5** The race committee will promptly inform the protest committee about any protests or requests for redress made under instruction Q2.4.

Q3 UMPIRE SIGNALS AND IMPOSED PENALTIES

- Q3.1 An umpire will signal a decision as follows:
 - (a) A green and white flag with one long sound means 'No penalty.'
 - (b) A red flag with one long sound means 'A penalty is imposed or remains outstanding.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify each such boat.
 - (c) A black flag with one long sound means 'A boat is disqualified.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify the boat disqualified.
- **Q3.2** (a) A boat penalized under instruction Q3.1(b) shall take a One-Turn Penalty as described in rule 44.2.
 - (b) A boat disqualified under instruction Q3.1(c) shall promptly leave the course area.

Q4 PENALTIES AND PROTESTS INITIATED BY AN UMPIRE; ROUNDING OR PASSING MARKS

Q4.1 When a boat

- (a) breaks rule 31 and does not take a penalty.
- (b) breaks rule 42,
- (c) gains an advantage despite taking a penalty,
- (d) deliberately breaks a rule,
- (e) commits a breach of sportsmanship, or
- (f) fails to comply with instruction Q3.2 or to take a penalty when required to do so by an umpire,

an umpire may penalize her without a protest by another boat. The umpire may impose one or more One-Turn Penalties to be taken as described in rule 44.2, each signalled in accordance with instruction Q3.1(b), or disqualify her under instruction Q3.1(c), or report the incident to the protest committee for further action. If a boat is penalized under instruction Q4.1(f) for not taking a penalty or taking a penalty incorrectly, the original penalty is cancelled.





- Q4.2 (a) A boat shall not round or pass a mark on the wrong side. If she does so, she may correct her error as provided in rule 28.1 only if she does so before she rounds or passes the next mark or finishes.
 - (b) When a boat breaks instruction Q4.2(a) and fails to correct her error before rounding or passing the next mark or finishing, an umpire may disqualify her under instruction Q3.1(c).
- **Q4.3** An umpire who decides, based on his own observation or a report received from any source, that a boat may have broken a rule, other than instruction Q3.2 or Q4.2(a) or a rule listed in instruction Q2.1, may inform the protest committee for its action under rule 60.3. However, he will not inform the protest committee of an alleged breach of rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.

Q5 PROTESTS; REQUESTS FOR REDRESS OR REOPENING; APPEALS; OTHER PROCEEDINGS

- **Q5.1** No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action by an umpire.
- **Q5.2** A boat may not base an appeal on an alleged improper action, omission or decision of the umpires or the protest committee. In rule 66 the third sentence is changed to 'A *party* to the hearing may not ask for a reopening.'
- Q5.3 (a) Protests and requests for redress need not be in writing.
 - (b) The protest committee may take evidence and conduct the hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally.
 - (c) If the protest committee decides that a breach of a rule has had no effect on the outcome of the race, it may impose a penalty of points or fraction of points or make another arrangement it decides is equitable, which may be to impose no penalty.
- **Q5.4** The race committee will not protest a boat, except following a report under rule 43.1(c) or 78.3.
- **Q5.5** The protest committee may protest a boat under rule 60.3. However, it will not protest a boat for breaking instruction Q3.2 or Q4.2(a), a rule listed in instruction Q2.1, or rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.