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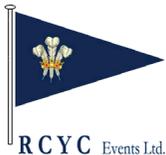
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1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Rules will be changed as follows:
 - (a) RRS 40 will apply at all times while racing, without the need to display flag Y.
 - (b) RRS Appendix P - Special Procedures for rule 42 will apply.
 - (c) Adding to RRS Part 5, an exoneration scoring penalty of 30 % will apply under the RYA Arbitration Process.
- 1.3 The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.4 The following national authority prescriptions will apply: RYA prescriptions 5, 40, 68, 78, F2.1, F2.4, F4, & ISAF Regulations 20.2.3 & 20.8.2. They are shown in full in attachment A.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text shall take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the sailing instructions.
- 2.2 The crews of the boats ranked first, second and third in the series at the beginning of that day shall wear yellow, blue and red bibs respectively while racing. The bibs will be provided by the OA.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Eligible competitors shall be current members of an IFA-recognised National Finn Association. They shall complete on-site registration prior to 1030 on Saturday 5th May 2012, unless the OA extends this date.
- 3.2 To be eligible for the prizes for juniors, competitors shall not have been born before 1st January 1991.
- 3.3 All entries shall be submitted on-line at: www.falmouthfinnfestival.com prior to Saturday 28th April 2012.
- 3.4 The closing date for normal entries is Wednesday 4th April 2012. Entries submitted after this date will be subject to payment of an additional late entry premium.
- 3.5 An entry is not complete until any entry fees have been paid and the entry has been accepted by the OA and the BFA.
- 3.6 Measurement Certificates shall be presented at on-site registration in accordance with RRS 78.2
- 3.7 A parental (or guardian) consent form and declaration shall be submitted for crew age 18 and under. The form is available for download on the event website www.falmouthfinnfestival.com.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The entry fee for the regatta is £100. The late entry premium is £15.
- 4.2 The accreditation fee for a coach/team leader and support boat is £30. This covers launching and recovery, mooring, car parking, entry to restricted areas, and attendance at social events.

5. COMPETITION FORMAT

- 5.1 The regatta will consist of a series of seven scheduled races.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Schedule

Date	Activity	Time	Location
Thursday 3rd May	Dinghy park open	From 1000	
	Registration	1400-1700	Regatta Centre
Friday 4th May	Registration	0900-2000	Regatta Centre
	Opening ceremony & meal	Evening	RCYC
Saturday 5th May	Final registration	0830-1030	Regatta Centre
	Briefing	1030	Regatta Centre
	Two races back-to-back	First warning signal 1255	
	Meal	Evening	RCYC
Sunday 6th May	Three races back-to-back*	First warning signal 1055	
	Meal	Evening	RCYC
Monday 7th May	Two races back-to-back	First warning signal 1055	
	Prize-giving and tea	After racing	RCYC

- 6.2 An additional race may be scheduled on any day to enable the full schedule of races to be sailed. A maximum of three races per day will be sailed.

- 6.3 No warning signal will be made after 1530 on Monday 7th May.

7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 7.1 All competitors shall hold a valid measurement and class registration certificate.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available at on-site registration. A preliminary version may be posted on the website: www.falmouthfinnfestival.com prior to this date.

9. VENUE AND COURSES

- 9.1 The Regatta Centre will be situated at the Falmouth Watersports Centre. Racing will take place in Falmouth Bay or adjacent waters to the east. (See attachment B.)
- 9.2 Courses will be Windward-Leeward or Windward-Leeward-Triangle. Races will be approximately 60 minutes in duration.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 An exoneration penalty of 30 % will be available under the RYA Arbitration Process: www.rya.org.uk/racing/raceofficials/Pages/RulesDisputesProcess.aspx

11. SCORING

- 11.1 A minimum of 3 races shall be completed to constitute the Championship.
- 11.2 When less than 4 races have been completed, no score shall be excluded.

12. SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1 All support boats shall be registered with the OA and will be required to comply with local regulations and event support boat regulations. The OA may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion. Registration details will be posted on the event website. No support boat over 7m LOA will be registered.
- 12.2 All support boats shall clearly display the national flag or 3 letter national code of its MNA, visible from both sides of the boat, at all times when afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200mm.
- 12.3 Coaches, team leaders and support personnel shall comply with the event support boat regulations.

13. BERTHING

- 13.1 Boats shall be kept at their assigned places at Falmouth Watersports Centre. There will be no parking close nearby for road trailers. Trailers will be kept in a secure compound within Falmouth Docks with restricted access.
- 13.2 Boats shall be in their assigned places by 1030 on Saturday 5th May, except by prior arrangement with the OA. All boats shall be removed from the boat park by 1200 on Tuesday 8th May unless competing in the Finn Gold Cup regatta.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1 The class perpetual trophies will be awarded, including the winner of the Stratton Trophy and the Sunday Times Gold Cup. The OA will provide prizes for the top 10 boats overall and the top 3 juniors.
- 14.2 Daily prizes will be awarded by the OA.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 15.1 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.
- 15.2 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.
- 15.3 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.

16. INSURANCE

- 16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors will be required to sign a declaration to this effect at registration. Insurance can be obtained through the event website: www.falmouthfinnfestival.com.

17. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 17.1 Competitors and/or their Guardians automatically grant to the OA, BFA 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.
- 17.2 Competitors may be required for interviews at the event.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1 Further information may be obtained from the event website: www.falmouthfinnfestival.com and from the Regatta Office:
Tel: +44 (0)1326 211 555,
E-mail: finns2012@rcycevents.co.uk

Attachment A

Applicable RYA National Prescriptions

Rule

5 Anti-Doping

The national authority procedural rules required by ISAF regulation 21.14 to implement the World Anti-Doping Code through ISAF Regulation 21 are the RYA Rules and Procedures for Anti-Doping, as published on the RYA website.

40 Personal Flotation Devices

When a rule requires a personal flotation device to be worn, the device shall comply with the specifications for the personal flotation devices that the boat is required to carry. If more than one specification applies, the personal flotation device worn shall comply with the highest of them.

41 Outside Help

Add new rule 41(e)

(e) help to recover a crew member from the water and to return the crew member to the boat before the boat continues to race.

68 Damages

1. Any claim for damages arising from an incident while a boat is bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing shall be the subject to the jurisdiction of the courts and not considered by a protest committee.

2. A boat that takes a penalty or retires does not thereby admit liability for damages or that she has broken a rule.

78 Compliance with Class Rules

The race committee may inspect or measure any boat, as defined in the Equipment Rules of Sailing C.6.1, or personal equipment, as defined in the Equipment Rules of Sailing C.5.3, at any time.

Appendix F

Procedures for appeals and requests

F2.1 Submission of Appeal

Rule F2.1 is changed to

(a) No later than 15 days after being informed of a protest committee's decision, the appellant shall notify RYA Racing stating an intention to appeal. No details are needed at this stage.

(b) The appellant shall obtain an appeal form from www.rya.org.uk/racingrules or by request from RYA Racing. The form shall be completed as far as possible and returned to the RYA within 15 days with, if reasonably possible, a copy of the protest committee's decision and other documents required by rule F2.2. Unless the appellant is a personal member of the RYA, an appeal fee, stated on the appeal form is payable to the RYA and shall be sent with the appeal form.

(c) The appeal shall state why the appellant believes that the protest committee's decision or its procedures were incorrect.

F2.4 Failure to Comply with Procedures for Appeal or Request

Add new rule F2.4

If the appellant fails to comply with rule F2.1 as prescribed or the protest committee fails to comply with rule F2.3, the RYA will refuse to hear the appeal unless there are exceptional circumstances. If other parties to the protest or the protest committee fail to meet the requirements of the procedure, the RYA may decide the appeal as it thinks fit.

F4 Comments

The national authority may additionally invite comments from boats and other organisations that are not parties to the hearing.

Isaf Regulation 20 Advertising Code

20.2.3 Right to Display Advertising on a Boat

When the right to display advertising on a boat is subject to prior authorisation by the national authority in accordance with regulation 20.2.3.3, the approval of the RYA is automatically granted provided that such advertising is permitted by the relevant rules of the class, rating system or handicapping system.

20.8.2 Fees

When the person in charge of a boat chooses to display Advertising, the RYA will not impose a fee as permitted by regulation 20.8.2.

Attachment B

Venues

- 1 - Royal Cornwall Yacht Club (opening ceremony, complimentary evening meals, and prize-giving)
- 2 - Falmouth Watersports Centre (regatta centre)
- 3 - Dinghy park
- 4 - National Maritime Museum Cornwall car park (free parking, including mobile homes & camper vans)
- 5 - Falmouth Rugby Football Club (camping, including mobile homes and camper vans)
- 6 - Trailer park

Attachment B

Venues



