

2020 Day Race Program Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, and the current Sonar Class Rules, except as either are modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Falmouth YC modified class sails may be used, this changes Sonar Class rules G.5 and G.6.
- 1.3 Specific attention is directed to RRS Fundamental Rules 1.1 and 4, which state:
 - 1.2.1 A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.
 - 1.2.2 The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.
- 1.3 Social distancing guidelines as stipulated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the town of Falmouth are in effect.

2. RACE MANAGEMENT

- 2.1 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Falmouth Yacht Club and the Falmouth Harbor Sonar Fleet.
- 2.2 The Race Committee shall use VHF Channel 71.
- 2.3 The US Coast Guard can be hailed on VHF Channel 16.

3. SCORING

- 3.1 The low point scoring system as described in Appendix A will apply.
- 3.2 A yachts worst finish will be discarded after 10 races have been completed. Two races may be discarded after 15 races have been sailed.

4. ELIGIBILITY

4.1 The series is open to Sonar Class Sailboats.

5. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

5.1 The Boat Owner or a designated Owner's Representative is responsible for the safety of the boat and its crew, as well as the conduct of the crew before, during, and after racing, and compliance with the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

6. ENTRY PROCESS

- 6.1 Boats enter by completing the process on the Yacht Scoring website found at https://yachtscoring.com/event_registration_email.cfm?eID=13080 which may be accessed via the FYCwebsite, www.Falmouthyachtclub.com
- 6.2 Entry fee is \$50.00 for each series payable using Club Charge, there are two series July and August.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available via the YachtScoring website.

8.PENALTY SYSTEM

8.1The first sentence of rule 44.1 is altered so that "One Turn Penalty" replaces "Two-Turn Penalty".

8.2The penalty, if any, for infringement of a rule other than a rule of Part 2 will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and be other than disqualification. This changes 64.1.

9.0 COURSE AND RACING AREA

- 9.1The racing area will be held on Vineyard Sound.
- 9.2Courses will be outlined in the SI's, due to Social distancing guidelines yachts should be prepared to go around government marks as well as windward leeward set courses.

10COMMUNICATION

10.1All communications on the water will be conducted over VHF Channel 71.
10.2While racing, except in the course of a roll call or emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive wireless communications not simultaneously available to all boats and at no cost. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

11 SCHEDULE

11.1The 2020 schedule of races is as indicated on the FYC website at www.falmouthyachtclub.com. (See Addendum A)

11.2The first signal is scheduled for 1300 on each scheduled race day. The Signal Vessel will hail the location will be broadcast when on station.

12 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY and SOCIAL DISTANTINCING

As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Falmouth Yacht Club, the owner, helmsperson and each crewmember agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. Additionally, it is the responsibility of each yacht to abide by **SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES** put forth by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Town of Falmouth. Each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Organizing Authority and each of their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity.

Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor, as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel aboard them is at the risk of the participant. The Falmouth Yacht Club bears no responsibility for accidents, damage or injuries to boats or their personnel arising from any cause during the race.

Addendum A FYC SONAR SCHEDULE June 4, 2020

July

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7/4 Sat July Series – (3 races – 1300)
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TBD Ryan Richards Trophy 3 RACE Series

August Series

8/8	Sat	August Series – (3 races - 1300))
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- 8/22 Sat **August Series (3 races 1300)**
- 8/29 Sat **August Series (3 races 1300)**
- 9/5 Sat Leland Trophy (1 race -- 1300) plus 2 races August Series
- 9/6 Sun Awards Dinner (Open to all. Organized by the Sonar fleet)