

Felixstowe Ferry Sailing Club

Early Trophy Pursuit Race Wed 10 April 2024 LW 19:21 0.53m

First start, Firefly, at 18:45, faster boats starting later

NOR & Special Sailing Instructions

These numbered paras replace those of <u>Sailing Instructions & Notice of Race for Club Racing</u> which otherwise apply.

10 There will be no Class Flags

11 The Start

- 11.1 "Le Mans" start will take place on the foreshore in front of the Clubhouse.
- 11.2 There will be no Warning Signals, and no flag signals.
- 11.3 Boats will start at their class start times, which will be notified around 18:30 and posted with the course and reference clock outside Riverside near the starting area.
- 11.4 Each class will be given a count-down to their start sound signal by the Race Officer on the foreshore.
- 11.5 Boats must be ashore or held by a crew member (not an assistant) standing on the beach (in the water permitted) until their start sound signal or instruction from the RO.
- Boats that, by nature of their design or equipment, must be held capsized in the water, may leave the shore **30 seconds** before their start times, by arrangement with the race officer.
- 11.7 Recalls. If the RO deems a boat has started early, a second sound signal or hail(s) will be made and the boat(s) will not have started correctly until held by a crew member standing in the water to the satisfaction of the RO. There will be no general recall(s).

12 Sailing the course

- 12.1 A pathfinder boat displaying Numeral Pennant 1 may lead the way round the course about 50m ahead of the leading boat at any time, rounding each buoy on the appointed side. If this boat has to cease leading, eg, to attend to safety, the pennant will be removed.
- 12.2 Changes to the position of marks will not be signalled, but the pathfinder will lead the way. The Race Officer can move the next mark at his absolute discretion.
- 12.3 Any repeat laps of the course will be sailed until the race finishes. There is no specified number of laps.

14 The Finish

- 14.1 The Race will be finished on the water at 19:30 with a klaxon from the Crow's Nest.
- 14.2 The leading boat will be finished with a sound signal from a SB RIB on the course at the finish time.
- 14.3 Following boats will be finished on the water as soon as possible afterwards, moving down the fleet, this order being their finish ranking.
- 14.4 To help establish the correct ranking, sailors are advised to keep near the centreline of the leg of the course if beating or tacking downwind at the finish time.
- 14.5 Competitors should **note the boats next ahead and behind** at the finish time. If a RIB is not available finish order will be worked out using an "Honesty Sheet" at the sign-on table.
- **15** Time limits do not apply.