



**Flying Fifteen South Coast Championships  
420 Munster Championships  
August 13<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> 2022**

**Waterford Harbour Sailing Club  
Dunmore East**

Organising Authority: Waterford Harbour Sailing Club in association with the Irish Fireball Class, the Flying Fifteen Association of Ireland and the Irish International 420 Class Association

**Sailing Instructions**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing
- 1.2 The International Flying Fifteen Class Association and the International 420 Class rules will apply
- 1.3 Helms may not change crews during the event without prior permission of the OA.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS and BRIEFING**

- 2.1 The Official Notice Board will be a WhatsApp Group. A link to the WhatsApp group can be found in Appendix 2 of these SIs.
- 2.2 A briefing will be held outside WHSC club house for both classes at 10:30 on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August

**3. SPONSORS' ADVERTISING**

- 3.1 The organising authority may require competing boats to carry event sponsor advertising.

**4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

**5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole on the first floor terrace of the clubhouse
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the Race Signal AP.

## 6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 6.1 Schedule

Date	Warning Signal	Races Scheduled Flying Fifteens	Races Scheduled 420	Tides Dunmore East	
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug	First warning signal 11:55	3	3	HW	07:10
				LW	13:40
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Aug	First warning signal 10:55	2	3	HW	08:00
				LW	14:20

### 6.2 Planned starting sequence: Flying Fifteens 420 Class

This sequence may be amended on the water – please watch the class signals.

6.3 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable after the completion of the previous race.

6.4 The race officer may complete an additional race on any day in order to complete a maximum of 5 races for Flying Fifteens and 6 for 420s.

6.5 To enable maximum flexibility the Race Committee reserves the right to change the Schedule of Races. If additional races are to be sailed this will be signalled by the displaying of IC Flag E at the finish of the last scheduled race.

6.6 No starting signal will be made after 15:00hrs on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August.

## 7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1 Class flags will be:

Flying Fifteen -            IC Numeral Pennant 6  
420s -                        420 class flag

## 8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be Waterford Harbour Estuary.

## 9. THE COURSE

9.1 The course will be

Flying Fifteens - Windward/Leeward  
420 - Trapezoid

9.2 The diagrams and tables in Appendix 1 show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.4 The number of rounds to be sailed by each class will be shown on a number board displayed on the signal vessel from approximately 4 minutes before the start of each class to approximately 1 minute after the start of each class. This changes rule 27.1.

9.5 The Race Committee may display the approximate compass bearing to Mark 1.

## 10. MARKS

The course marks will be described at the briefing.

## **11. THE START**

11.1 The starting line will be between a red and white pole on the Committee Vessel (CV) at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark

11.2 To alert classes that a starting sequence is about to commence an Orange Warning Signal will be displayed from the RCV no less than 4 minutes before the display of the first warning signal.

11.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.

11.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been displayed shall avoid the starting area during start sequences for other fleets.

## **12. CHANGE OF NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee may move the original mark (or finishing line) to a new position. Minor course changes may not be signalled

12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee RIB signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee RIB to starboard. This changes rule 28.

## **13. THE FINISH**

13.1 The Finish line will be between a red and white pole on the RCV at the starboard end and a port end finish mark.

13.2 In addition to the procedure for shortening course in Rule 32, the race committee may also award a finishing score to a boat that is still racing by displaying to her from a committee vessel (which may be in motion) flag W with one sound signal. A boat so notified is no longer required to sail the course (changing rule 28.1), shall stop racing and shall return to the starting area, or return ashore if there is no more racing. A finishing score under this sailing instruction will be the score she would have received had she sailed the course and finished within any time limit, without gaining or losing any place. However, when two or more boats that are overlapped are notified, they will be scored as if they were tied. The decision by the race committee to use this procedure or not to use it shall not be grounds for requesting redress, changing Rule 60.1(b).

## **14. SHORTENING COURSE**

When a Race Committee RIB displaying Code Flag S making repeated sound signal is positioned adjacent to a mark or gate of the course, boats, having rounded that mark or passed through that gate, shall proceed directly to the Finish line to finish. SI 12.2 will apply. This is in addition to RRS 32.

## **15 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Boats shall not intentionally put trash in the water (rule 55). Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

## **16. TIME LIMIT**

Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rule 35, A4 and A5.

## **17. PROTESTS, REQUESTS FOR REDRESS, ARBITRATION**

17.1 Boats intending to protest shall inform the Race Committee at the finish boat, either by hail at the finish of the race concerned or, if this is impractical, at the earliest opportunity.

17.2 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and request for redress shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

17.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

17.4 Notices will be posted on the official notice board within 15 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, the location of which will be described at the briefing.

17.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b)

17.6 Breaches of instructions 11.3, 19 and 20 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification.

17.7 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered: -

(a) Within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;

(b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes Rule 66.

## **18. SCORING**

18.1 The Low Points Series of rule Appendix A, will be used.

18.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series for either class.

18.3 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **19. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

19.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

19.2 Boats shall keep clear of commercial shipping at all times.

19.3 Competitors shall wear a life-jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy securely fastened at all times while afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy

## **20. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

20.1 Substitution of competitors (helm or crew) will not be allowed, except in a medical emergency, without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

20.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity

## **21. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

A boat while racing shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, which shall be switched off while racing.

## **22. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third-party liability insurance.

## **23. PRIZES**

Flying Fifteen class prizes for Bronze Fleet (1<sup>st</sup> Place), Silver Fleet (1<sup>st</sup> Place) and Gold Fleet (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place)

420 Class prizes for Silver Division (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place) and Gold Division (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place)

#### **24. LAUNCHING AND RETRIEVAL**

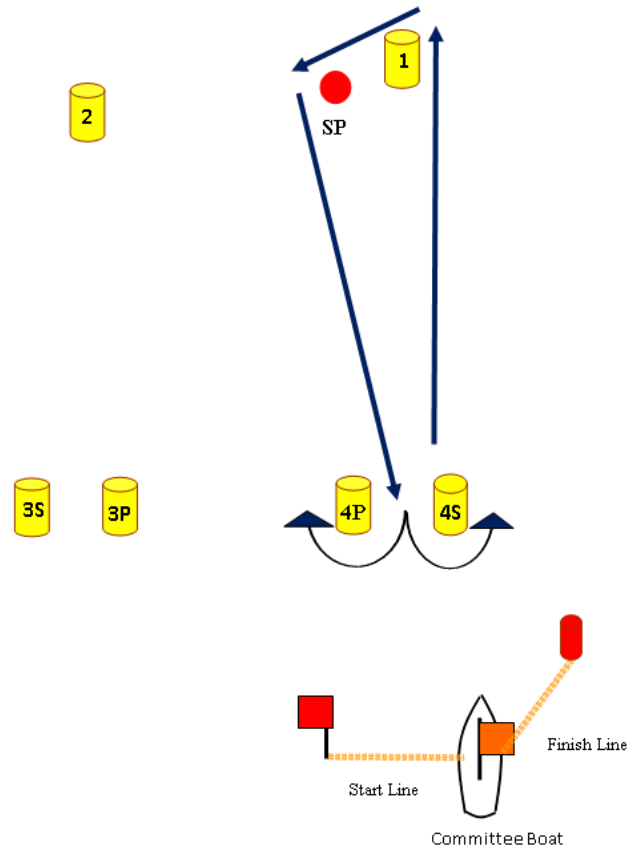
Competitors will follow the instructions of the beachmaster when launching and retrieving boats.

#### **25. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the championship entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the championship.

## Appendix 1 - Courses

### 1. Flying Fifteens – Windward / Leeward Course



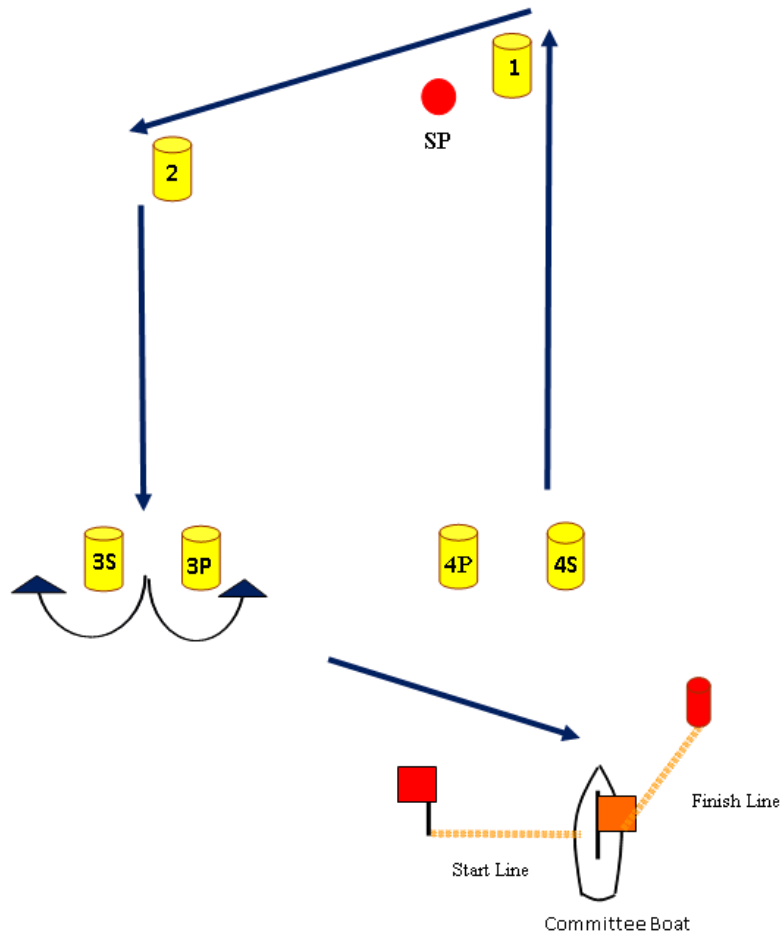
All marks to port except at a gate

If only one gate mark is in position, that mark shall be rounded to port.

Display	Mark Rounding Order
1	Start – 1 – SP – Finish
2	Start – 1 – SP – 4P/4S - 1 – SP – Finish
3	Start – 1 – SP – 4P/4S - 1 – SP – 4P/4S – 1 – SP – Finish
4	Start – 1 – SP – 4P/4S – 1 – SP – 4P/4S – 1 – SP – 4P/4S – 1 – SP – Finish

## Appendix 1 - Courses

### 2. 420s Trapezoid Course



**All marks to port except at a gate**

**If only one gate mark is in position, that mark shall be rounded to port.**

Display	Mark Rounding Order
1	Start – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P – Finish
2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 – 3S/3P – Finish
3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 – 3S/3P – Finish
4	Start – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 – 23S/3P – 2 – 3S/3P – Finish

## Appendix 2

### Event Notice Board - WhatsApp Group Link and QR Code

Scan QR code or use link below to join WhatsApp Group – Event Notice Board

## Event Notice Board



### WhatsApp Group Link

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Hyahz8yQOk8LZVs7gf48ZN>