



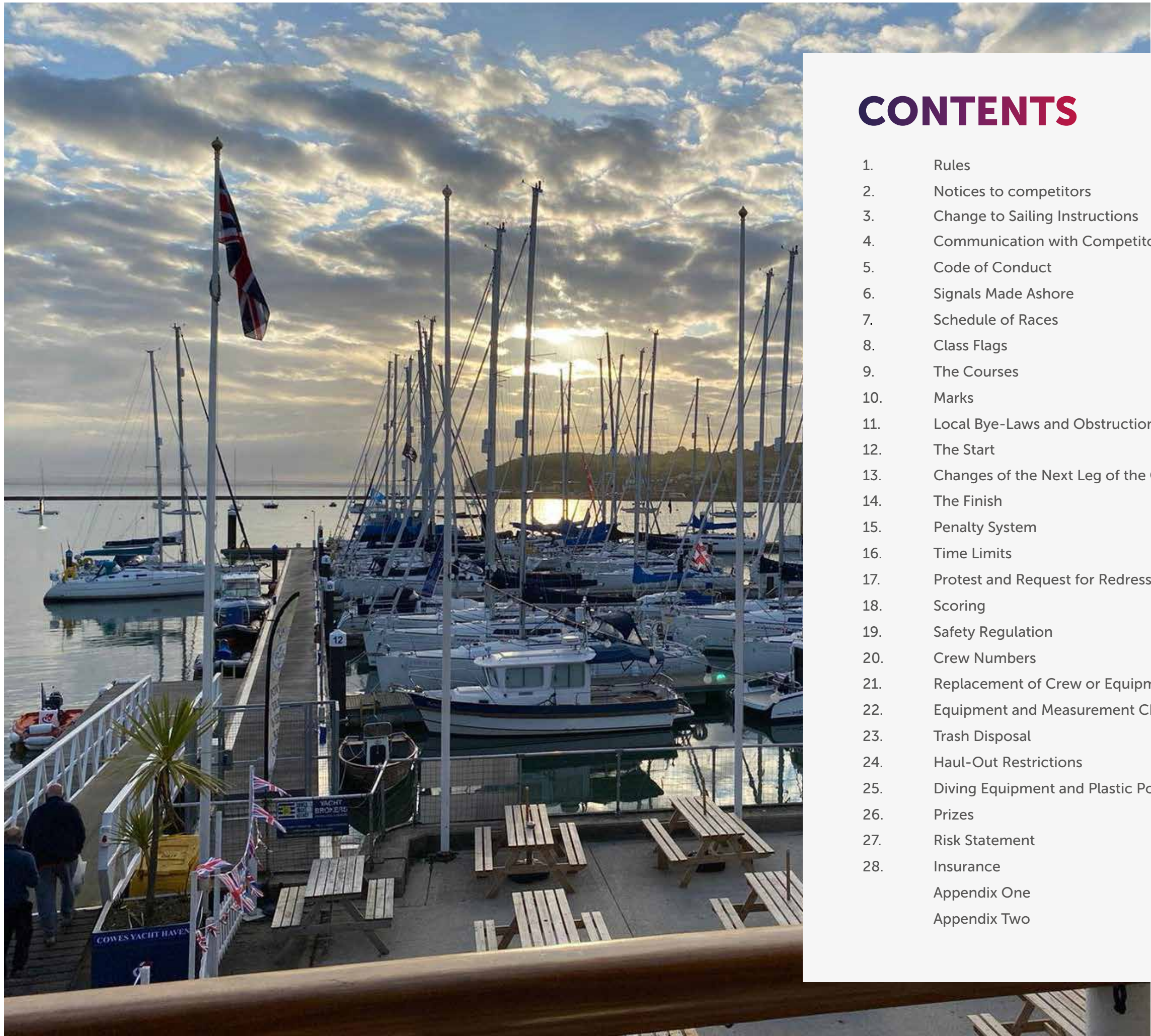
# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS 2024**



**In association with Cowes Corinthian Yacht Club (CCYC)**

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1. RULES

- A. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024.
- B. Competitors should note that the UKFSC implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (the yellow pages after the definitions), or on the RYA website at [www.rya.org.uk/racingrules](http://www.rya.org.uk/racingrules).

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- A. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the race office at CCYC.
- B. Supplementary sailing instructions (called ‘the supplement’ below) will be posted on the official notice board and the UKFSC Skipper’s What’sApp group.

3. CHANGE TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- A. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 08:00 on the day it will take effect unless this time is changed in the supplement. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- A. The race office is located at 39 Birmingham Road, Cowes. PO31 7BH.
- B. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 77, in the case of severe congestion channel 72 will be used. The race committee may use the UKFSC WhatsApp Group.

5. CODE OF CONDUCT

- A. Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- B. Competitors and support persons shall place advertising if provided by the organising authority with care, and seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- A. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at CCYC.
- B. When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 45 minutes’ in Race Signals AP

7. SCHEDUAL OF RACES

- A. (All times BST) A maximum of 9 races are planned with a maximum of four races per day, conditions permitting.
- B. A maximum of 8 races are planned from the overall championship with the passage race being scored seperately.
- C. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 12:00.

DATE	MONDAY 29 APRIL	TUESDAY 30 APRIL	WEDNESDAY 01 MAY	THURSDAY 02 MAY
HW PORTSMOUTH	3:03 / 4.19m 15:42 / 4.11m	3.59 / 4.02 m 16:52 / 3.98 m	5:10 / 3.87 m 18:03 / 3.91 m	6:26 / 3.79 m 19:18 / 3.94 m
SKIPPERS’ BRIEFING	18:00 Marque Cowes Yacht Haven	08:30 briefing via the skipper’s What’s App	08:30 briefing via the skipper’s What’s App	08:30 briefing via the skipper’s What’s App
RACE TYPE	Practice day only – no racing	Round-the-Cans	Round-the-Cans	Handicap Pursuit Passage finish to the East of Cowes
FIRST WARNING SIGNAL	NA	10:00	10:00	11:00
SUBSEQUENT WARNING SIGNAL	NA	ASAP thereafter	ASAP thereafter	NA
SOCIAL	Opening Ceremony followed by Dinner 19:00 @ CCYC	BBQ and a Band 19:00 @ Island Sailing Club (ISC	Gala Dinner & Prizegiving Seated and dinner served from 19:00 Cowes Event Centre	NA
PRIZEGIVING	NA	Prize winners will be awarded at ISC Main prize giving will be at the Gala Dinner on 01/05/24	Prize winners and main prize giving will be at the Gala Dinner on 01/05/24	ASAP after racing Location TBA

8. CLASS FLAGS

- A. Class 1: Spinnaker and Asymmetric (Sunsail Jeanneau 41.0 and Océanis 37) - Class Flag NP1
- B. Class 2: White sail (Océanis 37 and Bavaria 37) - Class Flag NP2

## 9. THE COURSE

- A. No later than the warning signal, the race committee will announce the course and compass bearing of the first leg on VHF.
- B. Courses will be set using fixed marks defined by the SCRA chart and their two character identifiers (the chart is appended in the Skippers Pack for convenience). In addition, movable (inflatable) marks may be used as listed in the SCRA schedule.
- C. Courses may also be announced over the UKFSC WhatsApp Group.
- D. See Appendix One for Solent Race Charts.

## 10. MARKS

- A. Laid marks will be large orange inflatables except the Start/finish pin which will be a large orange or black inflatable.
- B. A new mark as provided in 13a will be a black inflatable buoy.
- C. See Appendix Two for Solent Area Mark Codes 2024.

## 11. LOCAL BYE-LAWS AND OBSTRUCTIONS

- A. Boats shall comply with Associated British Ports Notice to Mariners No 3 of 2016 The Moving Prohibited Zone in the Precautionary Area which shall rank as an obstruction for the purposes of RRS 19 and 20. Boats shall avoid close quarters with any commercial vessel.
- B. Boats shall not anchor or kedge in the Cowes Harbour fairway nor in the area between Stone Point and Gurnard Bay as indicated on the racing chart in these sailing instructions and on Admiralty Chart 2040. Gas and water pipes, telephone and electricity cables carrying 133,000 volts lie on the sea bed.
- C. Boats shall keep a good lookout for ferries and commercial traffic.
- D. Boats shall pass to the north of the new Cowes Breakwater when racing.
- E. The race committee may set courses that do not permit boats to sail rhumb lines between marks. This shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

## 12. THE START

- A. The starting line will be between a mark to be advised and an orange pole or flag on the race committee vessel.
- B. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- C. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee may broadcast her sail number on VHF channel 77. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- D. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee may broadcast her sail number on VHF channel 77. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- E. A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## 13. CHANGES OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- A. 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.

## 14. THE FINISH

- A. The finishing line will be between a mark to be advised and a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel.
- B. If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- C. The total elapsed time will be recorded for each boat.
- D. After finishing, boats shall keep clear of the finishing line and of all boats that are racing.

## 15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- A. All boats: RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe).

## 16. TIME LIMITS

- A. The target time for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 60 minutes. The time limit for subsequent boats to sail the course and finish is 30 minutes after the first boat. A boat finishing after 30 mins will be scored DNF.
- B. Failure to meet the time limit will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 17. PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- A. Intention to protest should be raised with the Committee Vessel at the end of the relevant race.
- B. A protest flag is not required to be shown. This changes RRS 61.1 (a)(2)
- C. Protest forms are available from the race office at CCYC.
- D. For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today.

## 18. SCORING

- A. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- B. (i) When four or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.  
(ii) When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- C. Rule A5.3 applies.
- D. The Handicap Pursuit Passage Race on the last day will be scored separately from the main series.

## 19. SAFETY REGULATION

- A. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- B. The provision of a race management team, RIBs and other officials and volunteers does not relieve the boat of their own responsibilities.
- C. The provision of RIB cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- D. No action by a RIB when performing activities deemed necessary for safety reasons will constitute grounds for redress.

## 20. CREW NUMBERS

- A. Each team racing a Sunsail 41.0 will have a maximum of 10 crew including Skipper and First Mate.
- B. For all other boats, maximum crew is 9 including Skipper and First Mate.
- C. For all teams, all but 2 (max) must be related to the emergency services, either by employment or retirement, unless with special permission from the UKFSC Committee.
- D. Only one crew member from Group 3 ISAF is allowed per yacht.

## 21. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- A. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- B. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## 22. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- A. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.
- B. When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

## 23. TRASH DISPOSAL

- A. Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash should be taken back to the harbour and disposed of in the bins provided.

## 24. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- A. Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## 25. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- A. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats whilst they are in the water.

## 26. PRIZES

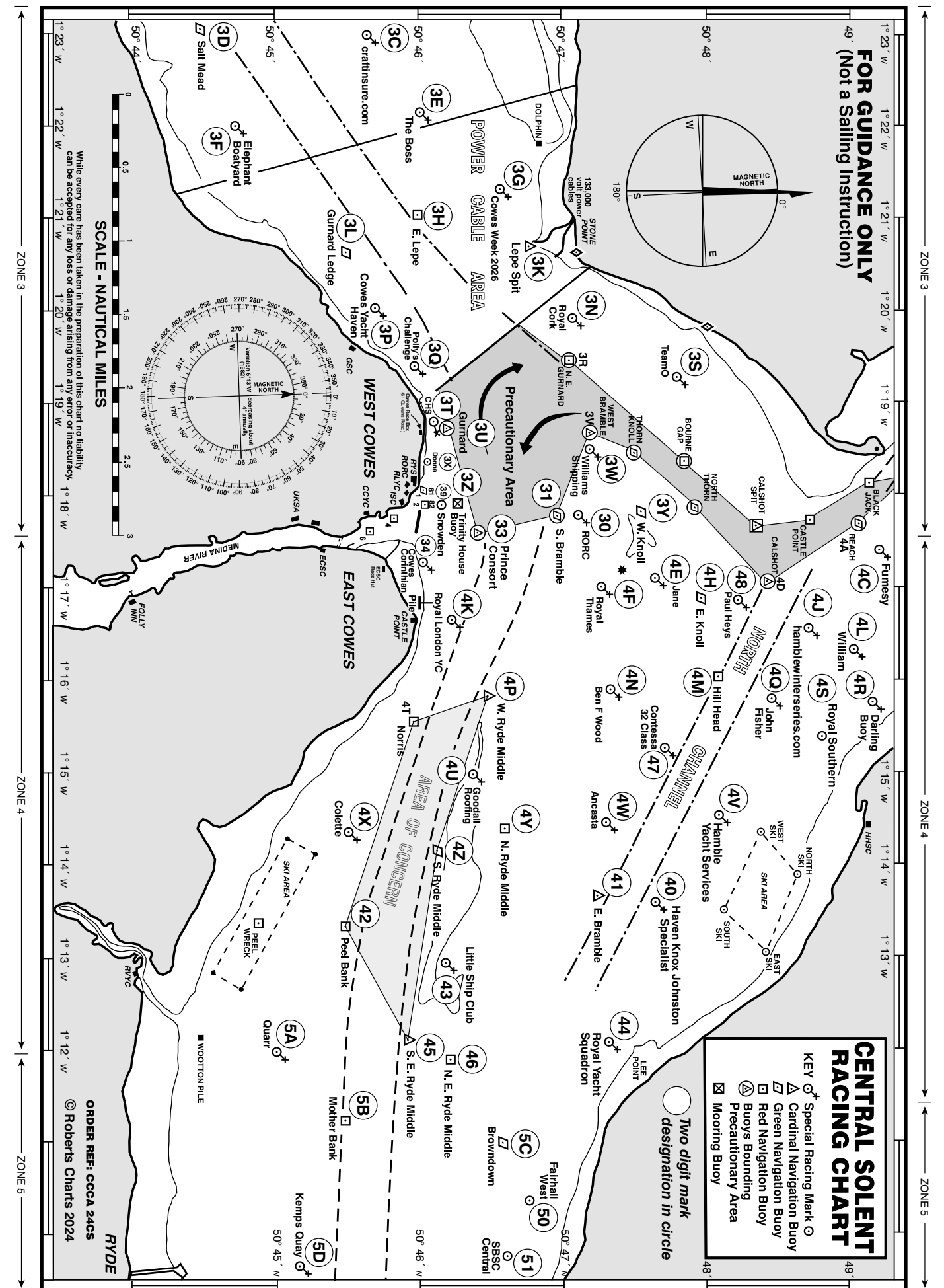
- A. Prizes will be given for the following:
  - 1st Overall - on corrected time
  - 2nd Overall - on corrected time
  - 3rd Overall - on corrected time
  - 1st Fire Service Boat in Class (Spinnaker, Asymmetric, White Sails)
  - 2nd Fire Service Boat in Class (Spinnaker, Asymmetric, White Sails)
  - 3rd Fire Service Boat in Class (Spinnaker, Asymmetric, White Sails)
  - 1st LFB Boat
  - 1st Sponsor / Guest Boat
  - 1st LAS Ambulance Boat in the first two days racing
  - 1st LAS passage back trophy (known as the Andy Ashman Trophy)
  - 1st overall Ambulance boat on the first two days racing - The Bone of Contention (open to all qualifying ambulance boats)
  - The Endeavour
  - Last pace
  - Middle of the fleet
  - Passage Race / Handicap Pursuit Race
  - Other prizes at the discretion of the UKFSC Committee.

## 27. RISK STATEMENT

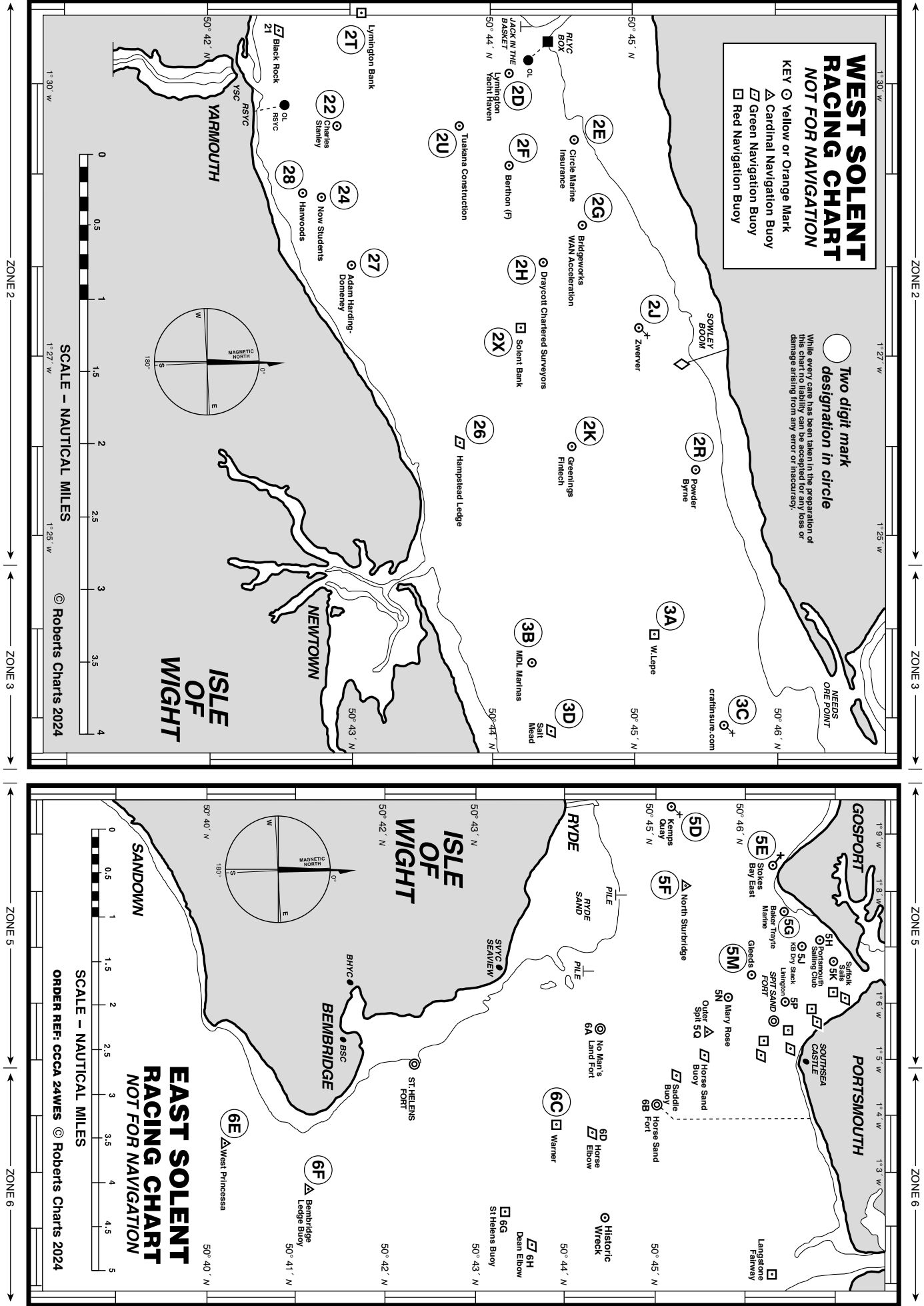
- A.** Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- B.** They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.
- C.** They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
- D.** They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
- E.** Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
- F.** The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- G.** They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather, and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.
- H.** The UKFSC, its sponsors, and other organising clubs accept no responsibility or liability for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to, any vessel or property

## 28. INSURANCE

- A. Competitors are to ensure all Charter boats are adequately covered in accordance with the Charter Companies policy, against all third-party claims.







APPENDIX TWO

SOLENT AREA MARK CODES 2024

Zone 1 Western Approaches				
ID	Name	Colour	Lat N	Long W
1A	Peveril Ledge	R	50 36.41	01 56.10
1B	Poole Bar No 1	G	50 39.29	01 55.14
1C	Stoneways Marine	Y	50 40.31	01 54.02
1D	The Rig Shop	Y	50 41.08	01 54.26
1E	Ledge Buoy	Y	50 41.50	01 41.60
1F	Needles Fairway	RW	50 38.24	01 38.98
1G	South West Shingles	R	50 39.29	01 37.52
1H	Bridge	YBY	50 39.63	01 36.88
1J	Shingles Elbow	R	50 40.37	01 36.05
1K	North Head	G	50 42.69	01 35.52
1L	Needles Lighthouse	RW	50 39.73	01 35.50
1M	Warden	G	50 41.48	01 33.55
1N	North East Shingles	BYB	50 41.96	01 33.41
11	East Hook	R	50 40.58	01 55.23
12	MB (EYE Marine/Christchurch SC)	Y	50 42.60	01 40.80
13	Parkstone YC	Y	50 39.46	01 55.20
Zone 2 West Solent				
2A	Embley School	Y	50 42.77	01 32.43
2B	Dunford Construction	Y	50 43.38	01 31.54
2C	Colten	Y	50 43.83	01 30.86
2D	Lymington Yacht Haven	Y	50 44.17	01 30.10
2E	Circle Marine Insurance	Y	50 44.49	01 29.32
2F	Berthon	Y	50 44.20	01 29.22
2G	Bridgeworks WAN Acceleration	Y	50 44.79	01 28.47
2H	Draycott Chartered Surveyors	Y	50 44.30	01 28.16
2J	Zwerver	Y	50 45.11	01 27.34
2K	Greenings Fintech	Y	50 44.83	01 26.09
2L	Royal Lymington YC	Y	50 43.14	01 31.95
2R	Powder Byrne	Y	50 45.43	01 25.89
2T	Lymington Bank	R	50 43.10	01 30.85
2U	Tuakana Construction	Y	50 43.67	01 29.50
2X	Solent Bank	R	50 44.23	01 27.37
20	Sconce	BY	50 42.53	01 31.43
21	Black Rock	G	50 42.57	01 30.59
22	Charles Stanley	Y	50 42.86	01 29.40
24	Now Students	Y	50 42.86	01 28.42
26	Hamstead Ledge	G	50 43.87	01 26.18
27	Adam Harding-Domeney	Y	50 42.97	01 28.16
28	Harwoods	Y	50.42.73	01.28.69
Zone 3 Mid Solent (W)				
3A	West Lepe	R	50 45.24	01 24.09
3B	MDL Marinas	Y	50 44.36	01 23.80
3C	craftinsure.com	Y	50 45.64	01 23.12
3D	Salt Mead	G	50 44.51	01 23.04
3E	The Boss	Y	50 46.13	01 22.19
3F	Elephant Boatyard	Y	50 44.72	01 21.95
3G	Cowes Week 2026	Y	50 46.58	01 21.46
3H	East Lepe	R	50 45.93	01 21.07
3K	Lepe Spit	YB	50 46.78	01 20.64
3L	Gurnard Ledge	G	50 45.51	01 20.59
3N	Royal Cork *	Y	50 47.07	01 19.88
3P	Cowes Yacht Haven	Y	50 45.68	01 19.98
3Q	Polly's Challenge	Y	50 45.97	01 19.45
3R	North East Gurnard #	R	50 47.06	01 19.42
3S	TeamO *	Y	50 47.81	01 19.25
3T	CHS	Y	50 46.10	01 18.87
3U	Gurnard	BY	50 46.22	01 18.84
3V	West Bramble #	YBY	50 47.20	01 18.65
3W	Williams Shipping *	Y	50 47.20	01 18.55
3X	Donna	Y	50 46.10	01 18.43
3Y	West Knoll	Y	50 47.43	01 17.84

Zone 3 Mid Solent (W) Continued				
ID	Name	Colour	Lat N	Long W
3Z	Trinity House Buoy	Y	50 46.31	01 17.75
30	RORC *	Y	50 47.12	01 17.72
31	South Bramble	G	50 46.98	01 17.72
33	Prince Consort	BY	50 46.41	01 17.56
34	Cowes Corinthian	Y	50 46.15	01 17.20
39	Snowden	Y	50 46.20	01 17.75
Zone 4 Mid Solent (E)				
4A	Reach #	G	50 49.05	01 17.65
4B	Coronation	Y	50 49.55	01 17.62
4C	Fumesy *	Y	50 49.21	01 17.46
4D	Calshot #	BY	50 48.44	01 17.03
4E	Jane *	Y	50 47.67	01 17.00
4F	Royal Thames	Y	50 47.20	01 17.00
4G	Chieftain Training *	Y	50 49.45	01 16.91
4H	East Knoll	G	50 47.96	01 16.83
4J	hamblewinterseries.com *	Y	50 48.63	01 16.56
4K	Royal London	Y	50 46.15	01 16.65
4L	William *	Y	50 49.03	01 16.49
4M	Hill Head	R	50 48.07	01 16.00
4N	Ben F Wood	Y	50 47.27	01 15.90
4P	West Ryde Middle	YBY	50 46.48	01 15.79
4Q	John Fisher *	Y	50 48.46	01 15.72
4R	Darling Buoy *	Y	50 49.18	01 15.71
4S	Royal Southern *	Y	50 48.86	01 15.43
4T	Norris #	R	50 45.97	01 15.51
4U	Goodall Roofing	Y	50 46.43	01 15.09
4V	Hamble Yacht Services	Y	50 48.13	01 14.64
4W	Ancasta	Y	50 47.33	01 14.59
4X	Colette	Y	50 45.53	01 14.39
4Y	North Ryde Middle	R	50 46.61	01 14.31
4Z	South Ryde Middle	G	50 46.13	01 14.16
40	Haven Knox Johnston Specialist	Y	50 47.66	01 13.65
41	East Bramble	BYB	50 47.23	01 13.64
42	Peel Bank	R	50 45.49	01 13.35
43	Little Ship Club	Y	50 46.16	01 13.09
44	Royal Yacht Squadron	Y	50 47.31	01 12.10
45	South East Ryde Middle	YB	50 45.93	01 12.10
46	North East Ryde Middle	R	50 46.21	01 11.88
47	Contessa 32 Class	Y	50 47.70	01 15.25
48	Paul Heys *	Y	50 48.21	01 16.68
Zone 5 East Solent				
5A	Quarr	Y	50 45.03	01 11.89
5B	Mother Bank	R	50 45.49	01 11.21
5C	Browndown	G	50 46.57	01 10.95
5D	Kemps Quay	Y	50 45.18	01 09.65
5E	Stokes Bay East	Y	50 46.26	01 08.76
5F	North Sturbridge	BY	50 45.33	01 08.23
5G	Baker Trayte Marine	Y	50 46.42	01 07.90
5H	Portsmouth SC	Y	50 46.82	01 07.35
5J	KB Dry Stack	Y	50 46.61	01 07.29
5K	Suffolk Sails	Y	50 47.08	01 06.78
5M	Gleeds	Y	50 46.11	01 06.52
5N	Mary Rose	Y	50 45.80	01 06.20
5P	Linington	Y	50 46.36	01 06.08
5Q	Outer Spit ©	YB	50 45.44	01 05.46
50	Fairhall West @ *	Y	50 46.81	01 10.40
51	SBSC Central @ *	Y	50 46.60	01 09.85

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See other notes on next page

Solent Area Mark Codes 2024									
Zone 6 Eastern Approaches					Zone 8 Local Marks and Positions				
ID	Name	Colour	Lat N	Long W	ID	Name	Colour	Lat N	Long W
6A	No Man's Land Fort	B	50 44.40	01 05.70	8A				
6B	Horse Sand Fort	B	50 45.01	01 04.34	8B				
6C	Warner	R	50 43.87	01 03.99	8C				
6D	Horse Elbow	G	50 44.26	01 03.88	8D				
6E	West Princessa	YBY	50 40.16	01 03.65	8E				
6F	Bembridge Ledge Buoy	BYB	50 41.15	01 02.81	8F				
6G	St Helens Buoy	R	50 43.36	01 02.41	8G				
6H	Dean Elbow	G	50 43.69	01 01.88	8H				
6J	Nab East	R	50 42.86	01 00.80	8J				
6K	Horse Tail	G	50 43.23	01 00.23	8K				
6L	Winner	YB	50 45.10	01 00.10	8L				
6M	Nab End	R	50 42.63	00 59.49	8M				
6N	Dean Tail	G	50 42.99	00 59.17	8N				
6P	New Grounds	BYB	50 41.84	00 58.49	8P				
6R	Nab Tower	B	50 40.08	00 57.15	8Q				
6S	Outer Nab No 2	BYB	50 38.43	00 57.70	8R				
Zone 7 Southampton Water					8S				
7A	Gymp	R	50 53.07	01 24.16	8T				
7B	Hythe Knock	R	50 52.83	01 23.81	8U				
7C	No 1 Swinging	G	50 53.00	01 23.44	8V				
7D	Weston Shelf	G	50 52.71	01 23.26	8W				
7F	Jib *	Y	50 52.96	01 23.06	8X				
7H	Moorhead	G	50 52.55	01 22.90	8Y				
7J	Deans Elbow	R	50 52.20	01 22.85	8Z				
7K	NW Netley	G	50 52.31	01 22.73	80				
7L	Hovercraft 4	Y	50 52.66	01 22.42	81				
7N	SWSA/HSC	Y	50 51.76	01 22.28	82				
7P	Hovercraft 3	Y	50 52.43	01 22.01	83				
7Q	Netley	G	50 52.03	01 21.81	84				
7R	Lains Lake	R	50 51.59	01 21.65	85				
7S	Deans Lake	R	50 51.40	01 21.59	86				
7T	Hovercraft 2	Y	50 52.21	01 21.58	87				
7U	Hound	G	50 51.68	01 21.52	88				
7V	Hovercraft 1	Y	50 51.99	01 21.16	Zone 9 Laid Inflatable Marks				
7W	After Barn	G	50 51.53	01 20.82	9A	Windward Laid Mark			
7Y	Cadland	R	50 51.02	01 20.54	9B	Windward Spreader Mark			
7Z	Greenland	G	50 51.11	01 20.38	9C	Leeward Laid Mark			
70	Cathead *	Y	50 50.61	01 19.24	9D	Leeward Spreader Mark			
71	Mark *	Y	50 49.56	01 18.94	9E	Leeward Gate			
72	Hamble Point	YB	50 50.15	01 18.66	9F	Middle Gate			
73	Bald Head	G	50 49.80	01 18.07	9G	Wing Mark			
74	Sposa *	Y	50 49.66	01 17.59	9H	Outer Distance Mark			
75	Magazine *	Y	50 52.83	01 23.98	9J	Finish Mark			
76	Test	R	50 52.59	01 23.45	9K	Far Windward Mark			
77	Fawley Deep	G	50 50.42	01 19.19	9L	Far Windward Spreader			
78	Hook #	G	50 49.52	01 18.30	9M	Near Windward Mark			
# Only used for passing and keeping boats out of channel, not for ordinary rounding. Use of other main channel marks should be minimised					9N	Near Windward Spreader			
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					9Z				
Most yellow race marks are seasonal March-November									
* These marks may be in place all year round									
Mark codes are mainly in order by longitude from west to east, except Zone 2 is split into Mainland, Middle, and Island Side. Marks added to the list since 2010 may be at the end of their Zones. "Missing" codes are spares.									

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