

Local Notice to Mariners

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Port of Southampton – Race Mark Changes 2026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Solent Area Race Markers have been updated for 2026.

The following buoys are established by for yacht racing purposes to avoid the necessity of using the navigation buoys marking the dredged channel in Southampton Water and Central Solent as yacht racing turning marks. These buoys are all spherical, yellow in colour, and equipped with yellow 'X' top marks. Additionally, they are fitted with IALA recommended retro-reflective tape and lit with the following characteristic: Fl.Y.4s. Please be aware that there are some changes to names from previous years.

ABP Number	SCRA Number	Current Sponsor Name (Subject to change)	Position (WGS84)	Bearing and Distance from SOUTHAMPTON VTS MAST 50° 53.00'N 001° 23.66'W
2	7N	SWSA/HSC	50° 51.76'N 001° 22.28'W	143.6° (T) x 2820 metres
				Bearing and Distance from CALSHOT RADAR SCANNER 50° 49.21'N 001° 18.50'W
3	70	Warsash Sailing Club	50° 50.61'N 001° 19.24'W	340.4° (T) x 2740 metres
5	74	William	50° 49.66'N 001° 17.59'W	049.4° (T) x 1360 metres
6	4G	Chieftain Training	50° 49.45'N 001° 16.91'W	075.2° (T) x 1910 metres
7	4R	Darling Buoy	50° 49.18'N 001° 15.71'W	089.6° (T) x 3270 metres
8	4S	Royal Southern	50° 48.86'N 001° 15.43'W	098.8° (T) x 3485 metres
9	4L	Jane	50° 49.03'N 001° 16.49'W	096.7° (T) x 2360 metres
10	4C	Fumesy	50° 49.21'N 001° 17.46'W	088.7° (T) x 1210 metres
11	4J	Hamblewinterseries.com	50° 48.63'N 001° 16.56'W	115.1° (T) x 2415 metres
12	4Q	John Fisher	50° 48.46'N 001° 15.72'W	111.8° (T) x 3540 metres
13	4E	Andy Cassell	50° 47.67'N 001° 17.00'W	147.1° (T) x 3350 metres
14	3S	SCRA.ORG.UK	50° 47.81'N 001° 19.25'W	197.6° (T) x 2743 metres
15	3N	MDL Marinas	50° 47.07'N 001° 19.88'W	201.0° (T) x 4290 metres
16	30	RORC	50° 47.12'N 001° 17.72'W	165.5° (T) x 3350 metres
17	3W	Williams Shipping	50° 47.20'N 001° 18.55'W	179.7° (T) x 3725 metres
-	48	Paul Heys	50° 48.21'N 001° 16.68'W	133.2° (T) x 2570 metres

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The further table below shows the Race Marks that have been removed or no longer required for 2026;

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1	7F	Jib	50° 52.96'N 001° 23.06'W	094.2° (T) x 710 metres
18	75	Magazine	50° 52.83'N 001° 23.98'W	230.0° (T) x 490 metres
				Bearing and Distance from CALSHOT RADAR SCANNER 50° 49.21'N 001° 18.50'W
4	71	Mark	50° 49.56'N 001° 18.94'W	319.5° (T) x 835 metres

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