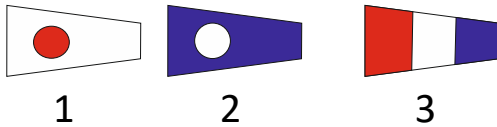


## Setting a course using Mark Numbers.

Only use if marks are missing or you feel that you can give the boats a significantly better windward leg using a course number tiles rather than the standard set Course. Be aware that the smaller boats may not be carrying pen and paper to write the course down, keep it compact.



1. Fly the M flag to indicate your intention.
2. Select the **red**(pass to port) or **green**(pass to starboard) symbol for the marks you think will make a good course ensuring they are in position.
3. Fill the boards as in example. which shows on the left a course set by marks for the D class (Contessas).
4. **W** Pass mark W(MW) to starboard  
**7** Pass mark 7 Sewer Bouy to port.  
**5** Pass mark 5 to Port.  
**9** Pass mark 9 to Starboard.  
**1** Finish to starboard.
5. If you felt it necessary to set more than one lap of a course set this way.
  - a) Make an VHF announcement. Stating the course and Start line, 9 in this example (See Below)
  - b). Fly a number pennant under the M flag. The number pennants are in the flag rack.



Be optimistic you can always shorten the course.

### **START LINE**

The start line is determined by the first mark on the course.

<b>First Mark</b>	<b>0, 2, 3</b>	<b>4, 5, W</b>	<b>6, 7, U, K, G</b>	<b>8, 9</b>
<b>Start Line</b>	<b>1 to starboard</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1 to port</b>

Although this picture also shows how to set a second course on the right set for the Squib class using the standard black symbols **mixing the two methods is not recommended.**

The **J** and **G** refer to the most up to date course card which at this moment is 2017 version which includes Mark **K** the inner sewer outfall mark.

Competitors should be aware of the new card and should make sure they have a copy of it on board.

Race Officers can always get advice via VHF from sailing group members regarding wind direction and suitable windward marks.

