



O' Tiarnaigh Challenge

GP 14 International Class Association

31 Aug/1st Sept 2019

NOTICE OF RACE

1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The event will be governed by **ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing [RRS]2017-2020**, the prescriptions of the **ISA** and the rules of the **GP14 International Class Association**, this Notice of Race and any amendments thereto, except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions [SIs].

2.0 Eligibility:

- 2.1 All boats must have a valid Class Certificate

Helms must be paid up members of the GP 14 International Class Association

Current member of the ISA or the RYA

- 2.2 Competitors are reminded that no individual or body involved in the organisation of this event accepts any liability for injury or damage. Each helm must sign a declaration that his/her boat is covered by a policy of Third Party Indemnity Insurance of not less than €3,000,000

Entries are accepted on the basis that in no circumstances will any liability for injury to person(s) or property attach to the Officers, Trustees, Committee or Members of the GP14 International Class Association or Mullingar Sailing Club (MSC)

All competitors will be automatically members of the **MSC** for the duration of the event and will be subject to the rules of the club.

- 2.3 Entry fee will be €50 per boat. Competitors under 18 must have parents or guardians signature on entry form.
- 2.4 Sailing Instructions will be issued on registration which will take place in the club house from 9.00 am on Saturday 31st August.

3.0 Notices to Competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board of the **MSC**

3.2 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

4.0 Alterations to sailing instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 10.00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 18.00 on the day before it will take effect. It is the sole responsibility of each competitor to ensure that they have apprised themselves of any such alterations.

5.0 Signals made ashore

- 5.1 Signals made ashore shall be made on the **MSC** Flagpole.

5.2 **Flag AP** with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means "*The race is postponed.*" The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after the **AP** is lowered.

6.0 **Schedule of Racing**

On day 1 there shall be two separate fleets Fleet A and Fleet B chosen by an open draw of entries at close of registration. There shall be 2 separate draws for the morning and afternoon races. The qualifying round shall consist of up to six races. The top half of the rankings from Saturday racing will go forward to Fleet 1 For Sunday's medal races. The bottom half of the rankings shall go forward to Fleet 2 for Sundays medal races. On Sunday there shall be up to 3 races. Scores to date will be discarded and the Sundays races will be a new series.

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Saturday 31st August 2019

Six Races Warning Signal First Race 12.00am

Sunday 1st September 2019

3 Races Warning Signal First Race 11.00 am

Prizes

The winners from Fleet 1 will be awarded the O'Tiarnaigh Challenge Trophy. Top 3 finishers in Fleets 1 & 2 will be awarded Prizes.

6.2 An **alternative programme** may be run if weather conditions or adequate boat numbers do not favour the above programme, this will be at the discretion of the Event committee (Class and Club representatives and the Race Officer)

7.0 **Courses**

Courses shall be Olympic course with windward leeward as an alternate.

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8.0 **Scoring System**

The Low Points System of Appendix A4 of the RRS shall apply.

Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

There shall be no discards for this event.

Ties will be in accordance with **RRS Appendix A8.**

DNS, DNC, DSQ, shall score 3 points more than the number of finishers

DNF, RET shall score 1 point more than the numbers of finishers.