



O' Tiarnaigh Challenge

GP 14 International Class Association

27/28 April 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**].

2.1 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 27th April.

3.0 Notices to Competitors

- **3.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board of the **MSC**
- **3.2** Helms with a class ranking may not change crews during an Event. Exceptions may be made on medical or compassionate grounds to the event committee.
- **3.3** Equipment (i.e. foils, spars, and sails) shall not be changed between races except in the case of damage and then only with the approval of the Race Officer. In such cases the damaged equipment will be inspected by the Scrutiniser for the event.

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. The winners will be awarded the O'Tiarnaigh Challenge Trophy. Top finishers in Fleets 1 & 2 will be awarded separate trophies.

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Saturday 27 April 2019 First Race 12 00am

Six Races War

Warning Signal First Race 12.00am

Sunday 28 April 2019

3 Races Warning Signal First Race 10.30 am

- 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 point scoring system* in accordance with **RRS Appendix A2.2** shall apply. Six races are scheduled for each fleet in the initial qualifying round, of which three races shall be completed to constitute a series. There will be no discards in either the Saturday or Sunday series

Ties will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A8.

DNS, DNC, DSQ, shall score 3 points more than the number of finishers DNF, RET, OCS shall score 1 point more than the numbers of finishers.