

Munster Championships and Purcell Trophy. Sailing Programme and instructions.

Information for competitors

A: Responsibility

The Organising Club, its Officers and agents, accept no responsibility for any damage to boats or for personal injury occurring while afloat. Competitors' attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, especially in relation to races being run in heavy weather.

B: Lunches.

Snacks will be provided.

C: Storage of boats

Storage for competitor's boats will be available on Club property. The Club and the GP14 Class Association accept no responsibility for boats left on Club property.

D: Security

All competitors should note the necessity to secure their valuables before going afloat. You are advised not to leave money or valuables in the changing rooms.

E: Membership

All competitors will be granted Honourary Membership of the Club for the duration of the event.

F: Weather forecast

The weather forecast will be posted daily on the Official Notice Board.



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Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the "Rules" as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 2012 edition (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the ISA will apply. The organising authority is the GP14 Class Association of Ireland and the event is run in conjunction with Sligo Yacht Club.
- (i) All helmsmen/women must be members of the GP14 Class International Association.
- (ii) All boats must have a valid Class Certificate issued prior to the date of the event.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in clubhouse..

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 10:00 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located in front of the slipway.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Dates of racing:

Date Class GP14 Race Times

11/05/19 race 1, race 2, race 3, Race 1 warning signal 11:30

12/05/19 race 4, race 5, race 6, 1st race warning signal 10:30

5.2 Number of races:

N.B. **CHANGE OF RACE DETAILS FROM NOR**. There will be 6 races held over the two days as opposed to seven.

There are six races Scheduled.

5.3 When there has been a long postponement and when more than one race (or sequence or races) will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.

6. CLASS FLAGS

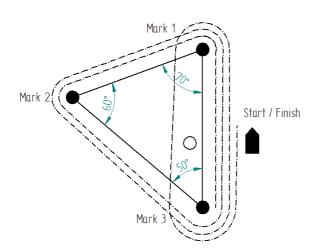
Class flags will be:

GP14 Class Flag

7. THE COURSES

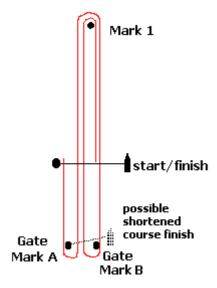
7.1The diagram below shows the intended course. All angles are only indicative. Code flag (Olympic)

Marks to be rounded in the following order: Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - Finish



Code flag W (Windward Leeward)

Marks to be rounded in the following order: Start - 1 - Gate - 1 - Gate - Finish



8. MARKS

8.1 Marks 1, 2, and 3 will be as indicated at the event briefing.

9. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions: Bird island (visible) often interferes with the course layout and is to be avoided in a minimum twenty foot area around the island.

10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between the mast of the committee boat and the outer limit mark. An inner limit mark may be laid approximately on the starting line, and if so, boats shall not enter the triangle formed by this buoy and the bow and stern of the Committee Boat. After starting and prior to finishing, the start line extremities will become obstructions.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE / SHORTENING THE COURSE

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 11.2 As an addition to rule 32.2, the race committee may decide to use the start/finish area to shorten the course. In this case a craft may be positioned

near the leeward mark (mark 3 on the Olympic course) flying Flag "?" and making sound signals.

12. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between the mast of the committee boat (or a substitute finishing boat) and an outer limit mark. When on station the committee boat or its substitute will display a blue flag.

- 13. PENALTY SYSTEM
- 13.1 In accordance with ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing
- 14. TIME LIMITS
- 14.1 Time limit 90 minutes
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored as per their position at the previous mark. This amends the definition of the word "Finish". The purpose of this sailing instruction is to reduce the delay between races when multiple races are scheduled. This changes rules 35 and A4.
- 15. Official boats.
- 15.1 Only Safety/Mark boats may enter the race area from the warning signal until five minutes after finish of race.
- 15.2 No boat shall enter race area without prior clearance from the race committee.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room, located at the race office, beginning at a time as soon as practicable.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5 A list of boats that, under instruction 14.4, have acknowledged breaking rule 42 or have been disqualified by the protest committee will be posted before the protest time limit.
- 16.6 Breaches of instructions 14.3, 18, 22, 23 and 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 16.7 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;

(b)no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

16.8 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.4.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 The scoring system is as follows: Low Point System.
- 17.2 A minimum of 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b)When 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 The Safety Tag system will be explained by the shore Master during the Briefing.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

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

20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

21. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 21.1 Due to the size and position of the slipway we would ask all competitors to allow time for the boat in front to be removed from the slipway before approaching.
- 21.2 There should be no more than two boats at a time on the slipway.
- 21.3 It is advisable in some circumstances (SW wind) to drop your mainsail prior to approaching the slipway.

22. Prizes

Gold Fleet (1st, 2nd and 3rd) Silver Fleet (1st, 2nd and 3rd) Bronze Fleet (1st, 2nd and 3rd)

Purcell Trophy.

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, or the event sponsors, will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

24. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 1,270,000 per event or the equivalent.

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