

# THE INTERNATIONAL GP14 CLASS ASSOCIATION

## NORTHERN AREA CHAMPIONSHIPS AT HOLLINGWORTH LAKE SAILING CLUB 11th MAY to 12th MAY 2019

### NOTICE OF RACE

The organising authority is Hollingworth Lake Sailing Club and The GP14 International Class Association

*The notation (DP) in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

#### 1. Rules.

1.1. The open meeting will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2. The RYA prescriptions to the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply.

1.3. Racing Rules 40 and 61.1(a)2 will be changed as follows;  
Personal buoyancy must be worn at all times when afloat; 61.1(a)2 is deleted, a red flag must be shown by a protesting boat.

The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

1.4. The Post-Race penalty and the Advisory Hearing and the RYA Arbitration Rules Disputes procedures shall apply (for information on the procedures, go to [www.rya.org.uk/go/rulesdisputes](http://www.rya.org.uk/go/rulesdisputes)). The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed.

#### 2. Advertising

2.1. "Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies (DP)"

#### 3. Eligibility and Entry

3.1. The regatta is open to boats of The International GP14 Class whose **helm** is a member of the International GP 14 Association. Temporary memberships of the Association may be available.

3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached entry form together with the required fee to International GP 14 Class Association, Albert House, 42 Seymour Road, Astley Bridge, Bolton. BL1 8PT or by filling in an online entry form at [www.gp14.org](http://www.gp14.org) and paying the required fee.

The closing date is midnight on Wednesday 8th May 2019.

Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions - by paying a late entry fee of an additional £15.00 and at the discretion of the host Club.

3.3. Competitors who are under 18 before and including the last date of the regatta must have a declaration form completed by their parent or guardian before they will be allowed to compete. This applies to helms and crews. The parental declaration form is part of the entry form.

3.4. Competitors shall declare their fleet grading when entering. The guidelines for fleet selection are noted on the entry form.

#### 4. Fees

4.1. The entry fee is £30 per boat. This includes lunch on Saturday and Breakfast on Sunday.

4.2. An evening meal will be available, on Saturday evening May 11<sup>th</sup>, at a cost of £12.50 per head. This must be booked in advance via <https://webcollect.org.uk/hlsc> before midnight, Wednesday 8th May. This option is also open to non competitors.

#### 5. Schedule

5.1. Hollingworth Lake SC will be open for registration from 1000 on the first day of the event

5.2. Entries close before the start of the first race. There will be a briefing at approx. 11.30

5.3. The event is planned to be a FIVE race series, with the first race not before 1230 on Saturday 11th May.

#### 5.4. Dates, Times and Number of Races:

The event will be a **five** race regatta held over 2 days

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time of Warning Signal</i>	
Saturday May 11th	1230	Race 1. Race 2 & 3 to follow
Sunday May 12th	1100	Race 4. Race 5 to follow

The race officer may alter this schedule depending on weather conditions.

On Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup> no first warning signal will be made after 14.30 hrs.

#### 6. Measurements

6.1. Before a boat is eligible to race, her valid certificate shall be available to be viewed. Only sails compliant with class specific measurement regulations shall be used.

#### 7. Sailing Instructions

7.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and may be available beforehand on the Class Association website.

#### 8. Venue

8.1. The venue is Hollingworth Lake Sailing Club, Lakebank, Littleborough OL15 0DQ  
Directions to the Club are given below, and are also available on the Club website,  
[www.hlsc.org.uk](http://www.hlsc.org.uk)

8.2. The sailing area is Hollingworth Lake

#### 9. The Courses

The courses will use the club marks (a plan of which will be available with the Sailing Instructions).

#### 10. Scoring

10.1. The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.2. When one to three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race

scores. When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

### **11. Radio Communication**

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats (DP)

### **12. Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded to the winner of the regatta, first youth helm, first lady helm and the highest placed crew entering their first open event. Prizes may also be awarded to the winners of the Gold, Silver and Bronze fleets. The entry form contains guidelines for selection of fleet and competitors shall nominate their chosen fleet on that form.

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organisers.

### **13. Disclaimer of Liability**

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

### **13.RISK STATEMENT**

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

### **14. Insurance**

14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million per incident or the equivalent.

### **15. Permission to Use Names and Likenesses**

15.1. In accordance with data protection law, competitors will be asked at entry to grant the organising authority permission in perpetuity to make, use and show any visual records of, or relating to

the event. This may include the use of competitors names, age category, club, boat details, photos, videos and audio recordings in results and reports, both on relevant websites and in publications.

## **16 Further Information**

For further information please contact the International GP14 Class Association <https://www.gp14.org> or Les Burns HLSC, [lesburns@gmail.com](mailto:lesburns@gmail.com)

## **END OF NOTICE OF RACE**

## **Additional Information**

### **1. Accommodation and Camping**

Excellent facilities are available at <http://www.hollingworthlakecaravanpark.co.uk> which is situated to the east of the lake, overlooking the nature reserve. Pitches are available for tents, motorhomes and caravans. Please book in advance. See website for tariffs.

There are many excellent places to stay within the locality. Some recommendations:

<http://www.hollingworthlakebnb.uk>

<https://www.themoorcockinn.co.uk>

<http://www.lakelounge.co.uk>

### **2 Catering for competitors and visitors**

Lunch on the Saturday and breakfast on the Sunday will be provided and this will included as part of the boat fee. An evening meal will be available at a seperate cost of £12.50/ head and must be booked in advance. If you would like to book a meal, please book via webcollect: <https://webcollect.org.uk/hlsc> or contact the class captain Les Burns [lesburns@gmail.co.uk](mailto:lesburns@gmail.co.uk)

### **3. Directions to Hollingworth Lake Sailing Club**

For Sat Nav use postcode OL15 0DQ

Hollingworth Lake Sailing Club is situated alongside the B6225 Milnrow to Littleborough road.

From J21 on the M62 (Milnrow) turn left at the 2nd (from E) or 3rd (from W) exit roundabout towards Rochdale. Follow the brown tourist signs to Hollingworth Lake for approximately two miles. This entails a right turn at the first set of traffic lights, a left turn at the mini roundabout by The Bobbin pub and then another left turn at the top of the hill before the Gallows pub, following the B6225. At the next mini roundabout turn right and follow the road as it swings left round a corner. The Sailing Club is on your right hand side in 150m, with access from the car park ('Pay & Display'). **No cars may park in the dinghy park.**