



# **Leigh on Sea SC International GP14 Class Association Open Meeting Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

Leigh-on-Sea SC, The Old Town, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, SS9 2EP

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **1 RULES**

The series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

### **2 ADVERTISING**

There is no requirement or restriction on boats displaying advertising.

### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

The regatta is open to all boats of the GP14 class. All dinghies must have a valid Class Certificate, issued prior to the date of the event. Only certified sails may be used.

All helmsmen must be paid up members of the International GP14 Class Association

### **4 CLASSIFICATIONS**

Classification requirements will not apply (see rule 79).

### **5 FEES**

The entry fee will be £20 for each boat entered,

### **6 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES**

The regatta will consist of four races, three of which will count if all races are sailed.

### **7 SCHEDULE**

Registration will be at the club from 08:30 to 12:00 on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

A competitors briefing will be held in the clubhouse at 11:00 on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 12:40 on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

The second and third races will be sailed back to back following the first race. Competitors are advised that there will not be time to go ashore between races.

### **8 MEASUREMENTS**

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate if requested to do so.

## **9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available after 08:30 on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at Leigh-on-Sea SC or may be downloaded from the club web site [www.leighsailingclub.org](http://www.leighsailingclub.org)

## **10 VENUE**

The venue is Leigh on Sea Sailing Club, The Old Town, Leigh on Sea, SS9 2EP. The course area will be the tidal waters of the Thames Estuary off Leigh-on-Sea. For directions to the club see the club web site 'Contact' [www.leighsailingclub.org](http://www.leighsailingclub.org)

## **11 THE COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be designated in a Briefing to be held at 11:00 on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

## **12 PENALTY SYSTEM**

The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will not apply.

## **13 SCORING**

The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.

## **14 COMMITTEE AND SUPPORT BOATS**

The Committee Boat and the support boats shall be marked as specified in the briefing and in a Notice on the Official Notice Board.

## **15 BERTHING**

Boats shall be rigged on the promenade adjacent to the club as direct by club marshals, depending on numbers, cars may be parked alongside the boats but if space is restricted it may be necessary to park cars on Bell Wharf or in the public car parks close to the club.

As the Promenade is an area open to the public competitors and members of their parties are asked to respect the general public and to keep a 2m wide path adjacent to the beach clear when rigging and preparing their boats.

Boats may be launched from the beach adjacent to the promenade or from the slipways which are part of the club dinghy racks 150m east of the promenade. If launching from the beach, please respect the members of the public using the beach and all trolleys **MUST** be taken back to the promenade during racing.

## **16 PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded by the International GP14 Class Association, to be retained for a period of one season, other prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organisers.

## **17 DISCLAIMERS OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

## **18. 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 and omissions;
- (d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) 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 venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

## **19. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

## **20. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact the Sailing Secretary at Leigh on Sea Sailing Club [scorbet@btinternet.com](mailto:scorbet@btinternet.com) or the GP14 Class Association [www.gp14.org](http://www.gp14.org)