



***GP 14 Autumn Open & Youths Championships
Sligo Yacht Club
14th & 15th September 2024
Rosses Point Sligo***

Notice of Race (NoR)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1** The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. Changes to these rules will appear in full in the sailing instructions.
- 1.2** The prescriptions of Irish Sailing apply in full.
- 1.3** The class rules of the GP14 Association apply
- 1.4** Rule 40.1 applies (Personal Floatation Devices)

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** The sailing instructions will be available on registration at the Race Office.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1** The online official notice board is located outside the Committee Room, at Sligo Yacht Club.
- 3.2** [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1** The event is open to all boats of the International GP14 Class.
- 4.2** Helms shall be a member of the International GP14 Class Association

4.3 All boats shall have a valid class certificate of registration issued prior to the event.

4.4 *Youth Age Limits for Eligibility are as follows*

Under 22 Helms under 22 on 01/01/2024

Under 19 helms under 19 on 31/12/2024

Under 16 Helms under 16 on 01/01/2024

4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

4.6 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form online , together with the required fee. Boats may enter the event by registering at the event Registration office.

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees are as follows:

Entry Fee Autumn Open Event; €60/boat

Entry Fee Youth Championships Event €30/boat

If a crew is competing in the *Autumn Open Event and Youth Championships Event* the fee is €60 total, ie youth entry is free.

Follow link to [Entry form](#)

5.2 Other fees:

Tickets for Dinner on Saturday night dinner, will be sold in the club at Registration.

6 ADVERTISING

6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration will be Saturday 14th September from 09;00 to 11;00am.

7.2 There will be a competitors briefing at 10.00 on Saturday morning, 14th September.

7.3 Two Races are scheduled each day for both the Autum Open & the Youth Championships as follows;

Saturday 14th September

Autum Open:

Warning Signal Race 1 will be at 12.00

Warning Signal Race 2 back-to-back after Race 1

Youths Championship:

Warning Signal Race 1 will be after Autum Open Race 2

Warning Signal Race 2 back-to-back after Race 1

Sunday 15th September

Youths Championships

Warning Signal Race 3 will be at 11.00

Warning Signal Race 4 back-to-back after Race 3

Autum Open

Warning Signal Race 3 will be after Youths Championship
Race 4

Warning Signal Race 4 back-to-back after Race 3

7.4 One extra race may be sailed on each day for either event.

7.5 Crew changes on the water between events will be facilitated where this has been advised as required at registration.

7.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15.00 hours.

8 SAILS, SAIL NUMBERS & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 Only certified sails may be used.

8.2 Permission to sail under any other sail number than the boat number must be sought in writing and agreed with the race committee before going afloat and will only be granted in exceptional circumstances.

8.3 [DP] Boats shall be available for equipment inspection from the first day of the event.

8.4 Boats may be inspected at any time.

9 COURSES

9.1 Refer to Sailing Instructions.

10 VENUE & SAILING AREA

10.1 The venue is Sligo Yacht Club, Rosses Point Co. Sligo F91E778

The sailing Area will be the waters between Rosses Point & Raghly Point West of the Club.

11 SCORING

Refer to Sailing Instructions.

12 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

12.1 [DP] Support person vessels shall register with the organisation authority at the competitor registration.

13 BERTHING

13.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

14 DATA PROTECTION

14.1 Photographs &/or recording may be taken during the event which may be used by the Organisation Authority and the Class Association. By entering the event competitors are consenting to the use of these images or recordings.

15 RISK STATEMENT

15.1 Rule 3 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 and any accompanying guests, 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 organizer 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;

h. All competitors will be Temporary Members of Sligo Yacht Club for the duration of the event. All Members must familiarise themselves with the club policies .

i. It is their responsibility to make the Club aware of any "non competing" accompanying guests making use of club facilities during the event. The Club may request such guests become Temporary Members for the duration of the event.

16 INSURANCE

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

17 PRIZES

17.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

Youth Event

Under 22 First Prize McNamara Spinnaker

Under 19 First Prize McNamara Spinnaker

Under 16 First Prize McNamara Spinnaker

Prizes for second and third in the Youth categories.

Autumn Open

Association Race Trophies and Championship Trophy

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1 For further information please contact *Ossian Geraghty, Mobile, 085 801 8733.*

There camping available at the Yacht Club with some campervan parking available at the old Scout Den.