

	<p align="center">The International GP14 Class Association Southern Area Championships</p> <p align="center">The organising authority is Brightlingsea Sailing Club in conjunction with the GP14 Class Association May 22-23rd 2021</p> <p align="center">Notice of Race (NoR)</p>
	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
	The event is governed by the rules as defined in <i>The Racing Rules of Sailing</i> .
1.1	Racing Rules 40 and 61 will be changed as follows Rule 40 – personal Flotation devices – Rule 40.1 shall apply Rule 61.1 (a) 2 is deleted
2	SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
2.1	The sailing instructions will be available at the time for registration at the host club and may be available on the Class web site beforehand.
3	COMMUNICATION
3.1	[DP] While racing, 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 GP14 class that holding a valid Class Certificate.
4.2	All helmsmen shall be paid up members of the International GP14 Class Association.
4.3	Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, on line to www.gp14.org . or to GP14 Class Association, Albert House, 42, Seymour Road, Astley Bridge, Bolton BL1 8PT, UK. The closing date for entries is midnight on Sunday May 16 th 2021
4.4	To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
4.5	Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions with the agreement of the host club and may be taken at the venue registration. An additional fee of £10 will be applied to all late entries.
4.6	The following restrictions on the number of boats apply: TBC -covid requiring
5	FEES
5.1	Entry fees are as follows: The entry fee for the event is £50. Youth Helm £37.50 Youth boat £25
6	CREW LIMITATIONS

6.1	Change of helmsman will not be permitted, change of crew may be permitted with the prior approval of the race committee					
7	ADVERTISING					
7.1	Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.					
8	SCHEDULE					
	8.1					
	Event	Venue	Date	Registration Time	First Race Warning Signal time	Number of races
	Southern Area Championship	Brightlingsea SC	May 22-23 rd 2021	Registration 09.00-10.30 Sat 22nd May	Saturday 11.55	6
					Sunday 10.55	
8.2	At the discretion of the race officer, a race may be brought forward to the first day, or postponed to the second day depending on weather conditions. Not more than one of the scheduled number of races may be brought forward nor postponed by a day.					
8.3	On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15.00hrs.					
9	EQUIPMENT INSPECTION					
9.1	Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate.					
9.2	Boats may be inspected at any time.					
10	VENUE					
10.1	The venue is Brightlingsea Sailing Club, Oyster tank Road, Brightlingsea , Essex, CO7 0DY					
11	COURSES					
11.1	The courses to be sailed and the marks to be used will be described in the Sailing Instructions which will be available at the registration time for each event.					
12	SCORING					
12.1	Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.					
12.2	(a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. (b)) 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.					
13	SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS					
13.1	Support vessels are not allowed.					
14	BERTHING					
14.1	[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.					
15	DATA PROTECTION					

15.1	<i><If there are aspects of the GDPR policy, they can be inserted here..</i>
16	RISK STATEMENT
16.1	<p>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”.</p> <p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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; (ii) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore; (iii) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions; (iv) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to sail; (v) 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; (vi) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances; (vii) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to the venue or the event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the event or venue and to attend any safety briefings for the event. (viii) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 against third party claims. <p>Note: each venue may display additional Risk Statements in the Supplementary Sailing Instructions.</p>
17	INSURANCE
17.1	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.
18	PRIZES
18.1	<p>Prizes will be given as follows:</p> <p>Trophies will be awarded to the winners of each Championship. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each fleet Gold, silver and bronze and other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organisers.</p>
19	FURTHER INFORMATION
19.1	<p>For further information please contact www.gp14.org .</p> <p>vc sailing@sailbrightlingsea.com</p>
	END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Additional information

If the Class or club wishes to add items such as accommodation options, catering, socials etc, then this can be done in an Additional information section after the end of the NoR.

- 📌 The event is shared with the Fireball and RS200 classes. The course will be designed to give clean racing for each class.
- 📌 **Accommodation**
- 📌 There is a choice of accommodation close to the club, but you are advised to book early.
- 📌 Tents and motorhomes/vans are not officially allowed on site, but there is a camp site adjacent to the club, Lakeside. Opening TBC
- 📌 [Links to local accommodation](#)
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- 📌 **Sailors can arrive on site from 18.00 on Friday - the bar will be open and the club hope to be serving food.**

COVID

Please note that some details of the programme and event facilities may need to be amended in line with covid rules/guidance at the time of the event. The Class and the Club will work together to deliver a competitive, enjoyable and safe event for everyone. Our emphasis is on running the event within any restrictions and we are in regular contact with the club, looking at probable scenarios. With this in mind we may need to **cap entry**, boats entered after the limit will be placed on a waiting list. We sincerely hope that we will be able to accept entries from all sailors who wish to take part. Please book accommodation with a cancellation policy and/or take out travel insurance.

Please read this [important message from the club](#) about arrival, catering, facilities, accommodation