



Tamworth Sailing Club



Notice of Race

GP14 Open Meeting

18th May 2024

1 RULES

Competitors should note that the Tamworth Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (the yellow pages after the definitions), or on the RYA website at www.rya.org.uk/racingrules

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 – 2024*.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The event is open to boats of the GP14 Class.
- 2.2 All helms (and if under 18 and their parent or guardian) must complete the entry form accepting the conditions of entry.
- 2.3 A change of boat or helm constitutes a separate entry.
- 2.4 Competitors must grant to the organising authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any report, result, video or still pictures of or relating to the races.
- 2.5 Boats needing to sail with sail numbers differing from those under which they have entered or on the engraved hull number, must seek approval from the TSC sailing committee via the entry desk prior to the first race in which they sail with the changed numbers. All competitors must ensure that the sail has a suitable sail number identification.
- 2.6 Young competitors are those under the age of 18 on 1 January 2024.

3 FEES

- 3.1 Entry Fee: £12 per boat

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 The briefing to competitors will be held outside the clubhouse at 10:30

4.2 Number of races:

4.2.1 There are 3 races scheduled.

4.2.2 The scheduled start time of race 1 is **11:00 am**.

4.2.3 Race 2 will start **as soon as possible** after race 1.

4.2.4 Race 3 will start **as soon as possible** after race 2.

4.2.5 No race shall be started after **4:00 pm**.

5 MEASUREMENTS

Boats and equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the GP14 Class Rules.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions are available on the official notice board in the TSC clubhouse and on the club website <http://tamworthsc.co.uk/>

7 VENUE

7.1 The races are based at Tamworth Sailing Club, Kingsbury Water Park, Bodymoor Heath, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands, B76 ODY.

7.2 A chart of the racing area is available on the club board and on the TSC website <http://tamworthsc.co.uk/>

8 COURSES

Course information will be issued at the briefing session.

9 SCORING

9.1 Three entrants are required to constitute a race

9.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

9.3 (a) When fewer than three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores

(b) When three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10 PRIZES

- 10.1 The Prize-giving will take place as soon as possible after racing, and prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

11 BOATS AND COMPETITORS IN DIFFICULTY

When the race committee considers that a boat or competitor is in difficulty it may instruct the boat or competitor to accept outside help, retire or sail ashore. Competitors shall obey such instructions from boats acting as patrol boats.

12 RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 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."
- 12.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, competitors agree and acknowledge that:
- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, 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 omission;
 - (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 competitors of their 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.

13 INSURANCE

Each participating boat must have third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million per claim.

14 Conflict Between Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

If there is a conflict between NOR and SI's (and any amendments), the SI's will prevail.
