



# O' Tiarnaigh Challenge

*(Pre Worlds)*

*30 July /31<sup>st</sup> July 2022*

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The event will be governed by **ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing [RRS]** 2021-2024, the prescriptions of the **ISA** and the rules of the **GP14 International Class Association**, this Notice of Race and any amendments thereto, except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions [**SI**s].

### 2.0 Eligibility:

- 2.1 All boats must have a valid Class Certificate.  
Helms must be paid up members of the GP 14 International Class Association  
Current member of the Irish Sailing or the RYA
- 2.2 Competitors are reminded that no individual or body involved in the organisation of this event accepts any liability for injury or damage. Each helm must sign a declaration that his/her boat is covered by a policy of Third Party Indemnity Insurance of not less than €3,000,000  
Entries are accepted on the basis that in no circumstances will any liability for injury to person(s) or property attach to the Officers, Trustees, Committee or Members of the GP14 International Class Association or Skerries Sailing Club (SSC)  
All competitors will be automatically members of the **SSC** for the duration of the event and will be subject to the rules of the club.
- 2.3 Entry fee will be €50 per boat. There is a 50% discount if helm and crew are under 22 on the 1/1/22. The competitors under 18 must have parents or guardians signature on entry form.
- 2.4 Sailing Instructions will be issued on registration which will take place in the club house from 9.00 am on Saturday 30th July.

### 3.0 Notices to Competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board of the **SSC**.
- 3.2 Helms with a class ranking may not change crews during an Event. Exceptions may be made on medical or compassionate grounds to the event committee.
- 3.3 Equipment (i.e. foils, spars, and sails) shall not be changed between races except in the case of damage and then only with the approval of the Race Officer. In such cases the damaged equipment will be inspected by the Scrutiniser for the event.

#### 4.0 Entry Method / Closing date

Entry is online @ <https://ti.to/skerries-sailing-club/otiarnaigh-2022>. The closing date for all entries is **strictly** Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> @ 1400hrs.

#### 5.0 Alterations to sailing instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 10.00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 18.00 on the day before it will take effect. It is the sole responsibility of each competitor to ensure that they have apprised themselves of any such alterations.

#### 6.0 Signals made ashore

6.1 Signals made ashore shall be made on the SSC Flagpole.

6.2 **Flag AP** with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means "*The race is postponed.*" The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after the **AP** is lowered.

#### 7.0 Schedule of Racing

##### Saturday

On day 1 there will be 8 races comprising of gate starts and 1 triangle courses. All boats will compete together. There are no discards.

The **top 3 bronze fleet** boats for the day will automatically qualify for the Race 2 on Sunday.

The **top 3 silver fleet** boats for the day will automatically qualify for the Race 2 on Sunday.

The **top 3 gold fleet** boats for the day will automatically qualify for the Race 2 on Sunday.

##### Sunday

On day 2 there shall be 4 races.

The 1<sup>st</sup> 3 will be knockout races comprising of gate starts and Olympic Courses.

The 4<sup>th</sup> and final race (medal race) will be a fixed start, one lap race.

**Race 1** will consist of all competitors who have not qualified for Race 2 from the Saturday qualifiers. To qualify for Race 2 in this race you must finish in the top 6 in your fleet in this race (Top 6 Gold, Top 6 Silver, Top 6 Bronze)

**Race 2** will consist of 27 boats (9 Saturday Qualifiers & 18 Race 1 Qualifiers). To qualify for Race 3 you must finish in the top 6 in your fleet. (Top 6 Gold, Top 6 Silver, Top 6 Bronze)

**Race 3** will consist of 18 boats that qualified from race 2. To qualify for the medal race you must finish in the top 3 in your fleet. (Top 3 Gold, Top 3 Silver, Top 3 Bronze)

**Race 4 (Medal race)** will consist of the 9 boats that qualified from race 3. The top 3 Gold, Silver & Bronze boats will race together for the overall positions.

The winners will be awarded the O'Tiarnaigh Challenge Trophy. There will be prizes for each boat in the final medal race.

7.1

**Ten Races**      Warning Signal      Saturday 30th July 2022  
First Race 12.00am

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022

**4 Races**      Warning Signal First Race 11.00 am

7.2      An **alternative programme** may be run if weather conditions or adequate boat numbers do not favour the above programme, this will be at the discretion of the Event committee (Class and Club representatives and the Race Officer)

**8.0 Courses**

Courses shall be a combination of 1 Triangle courses or Olympic course with windward leeward as an alternate.

**9.0 Scoring System**

The *low point scoring system* in accordance with **RRS Appendix A2.2** shall apply.  
There will be no discards in either the Saturday or Sunday series

There will be no discards at this event.

Ties will be in accordance with **RRS Appendix A8**.

DNS, DNC, DSQ, shall score 3 points more than the number of finishers  
DNF, RET, OCS shall score 1 point more than the numbers of finishers.