



## 420 GRAND PRIX 2

Organising authority

**Itchenor Sailing Club SC (ISC)**

In conjunction with

**BRITISH INTERNATIONAL 420 CLASS (UK)**

**25th-27th 2021**

**Itchenor, United Kingdom**

## NOTICE OF RACE

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). The notation '[DP]' in a rule of the NOR or SI means that the penalty for breaching the rule is at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification.

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS Appendix T applies.
- 1.3 [NP] The Organising Authority implements the 420 Class Charter which can be viewed at <https://gbr420.uk/the-420-class/policies,-documents-and-minutes/> and the RYA Racing Charter available at [www.rya.org.uk/racing/pages/racingcharter.aspx](http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/pages/racingcharter.aspx). Competitors shall undertake to sail in compliance with the charters.
- 1.4 RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat.
- 1.5 [DP] Protocols relating to Covid 19 may be published at any time and will state if they have a status of a rule.

### **2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 The Itchenor Sailing Club (ISC) sailing instructions are available on the Club's website (<https://www.itchenorisc.co.uk/afloat/racing-documents>) and from the Club office on the day of the event. These change some rules in the RRS.

### **3 COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The official notice board is located on the side of the ISC clubhouse next to the bandstand.

- 3.2 [DP] While racing (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.
- 3.3 Competitors should note that it is anticipated that all communication for this event will be online via a dedicated group, the 420 website or detailed on the ISC physical Official Noticeboard. The DSC WiFi system may not be accessible and they must have a device which can connect to the internet via an alternative means.
- 3.4 Hearings may be held remotely under procedures which will be set out in the Sailing Instructions.

## **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International 420 class sailed by helms and crews who are members or affiliates of the International 420 Class Association. At registration, competitors may be required to show evidence of membership of their affiliated organisation.
- 4.2 Eligible boats shall enter by completing the online entry form accessed via the GBR 420 Class Association website, paying the entry fee and completing registration by midnight on Monday 6th September.
- 4.3 No late entries will be accepted.
- 4.4 Parent/Guardian Declarations: All helms and crews under 18 years of age during the event shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations on-line as part of the entry process and submit details of the parent acting in loco parentis to [420classoffice@gmail.com](mailto:420classoffice@gmail.com).
- 4.5 Medical forms and sailor declarations included as part of the on-line entry are required to be completed for all competitors.
- 4.6 Competitors may apply for temporary weekend membership of the British International 420 Class (UK) Association by email to [420sailingsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:420sailingsecretary@gmail.com). Competitors applying for Temporary Membership may only do so for one Regatta organised by the Class Association.
- 4.7 For boats visiting Chichester Harbour who have not already paid Harbour Dues, there is a £2.00 charge payable on top of the race fees.

## **5 FEES**

- 5.1 The Entry Fee will be set out on the Class Association website and shall be paid via the online payment system

## **6 IDENTIFICATION & ADVERTISING**

- 6.1 [NP] [DP] When provided by the Organising Authority, boats shall display bow numbers and/or advertising.

## **7 EVENT SERIES**

- 7.1 The regatta will consist of a single series.
- 7.2 The regatta may form part of a further Grand Prix series, details of which can be found on the GBR 420 Class Association website.

## **8 SCHEDULE**

- 8.1 Registration and check in will be at the ISC Office from 08:45 on Monday 25th October.
- 8.2 Competitor Briefing: There will be a daily briefing on the lawn at ISC each day at 9:30. Any relevant notices, including COVID-19 requirements and procedures will be posted on the event on-line Notice Board.
- 8.3 Format of Racing: It is intended to run 10 races over the three days. The intended format is as follows, this may be varied by the PRO:

Day	First Warning Signal	Intended no. of races
25th October 2021	10:55hrs	3 races back to back
26th October 2021	10:25hrs	4 races back to back
27th October 2021	10:25hrs	3 races back to back

- 8.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15:00.

## **9 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

- 9.1 A boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate if requested by the 420 Class. This may be in electronic format.
- 9.2 [DP] Each boat shall supply button numbers for one mainsail and up to two jibs and two spinnakers by email to [420classadmin@gmail.com](mailto:420classadmin@gmail.com), and only these sails shall be used in the regatta.
- 9.3. [DP] Boats, sails and equipment may be inspected for class rules compliance prior to or during or after racing.
- 9.4. [DP] [NP] Class Rule C.5.2.b)1) applies: The boat shall be fitted with a floating towing rope of a minimum length of 8 m and minimum diameter of 8 mm, secured to the mast, and which can be grasped at the stem (even if the boat is capsized) from a rescue boat.

## **10 VENUE, CLUBHOUSE CATERING and ACCOMODATION**

- 10.1 The venue will be Itchenor Sailing Club, The Lane, West Itchenor, Chichester, PO20 7AG.
- 10.2 The racing area will be in Chichester Harbour.
- 10.3 The Starting Area will be designated in accordance with paragraph 7 of the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.4 All competitors will be deemed temporary members during the regatta, as such are required to abide by all club rules and traditions.
- 10.5 Members and Visitors to the Club are asked to change from their sailing clothes in the evenings and dress appropriately for the time of day.
- 10.6 Accomodation in the club is available to competitors and visitors. Please book with the Office on: 01243-512400

- 10.7 Breakfast, lunch and evening meals will be available at the club each day with a Club Supper Menu available for prebooking on Monday and Tuesday evenings as well as a full bar.
- 10.8 Warm food will be available to sailors coming off the water each day.

## **11 COURSES**

- 11.1 The Course(s) to be sailed will be detailed in Paragraph 8 of the SIs.

## **12 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 12.1 The penalty system will be described in the SIs.
- 12.2 RRS Appendix P, *Special Procedures for Rule 42*, will apply as described in the SI's.
- 12.3 To encourage boats to take a penalty afloat, judges may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a breach of a rule.

## **13 SCORING**

- 13.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.2 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.  
(b) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst score.  
( c ) When 8 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst 2 score.

## **14 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

- 14.1 Support person vessels shall be allowed and shall be expected to act as part of the safety fleet if requested to do so by the Race Committee.
- 14.2 Official, Patrol and Support person vessels may be required to be marked with an appropriate colored flag and shall comply with instructions from the event safety officer.
  - 14.3 [DP] Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel including relatives of competitors who are not official, patrol or support person vessels shall not be in the racing area, nor shall they communicate with any competitors, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first race until the last boat returns to shore. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement will be at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification for all boats associated with the support personnel who do so.
    - a) For the purposes of this rule, the racing area shall be defined as not less than 300m from any boat that is racing, and this shall specifically include an area not less than 200m immediately to leeward of the finish line for any race.
    - b) For events that are held in restricted waters where the requirements in 14.3 a) are unable to be met, the Race Officer may designate a specific area for team leaders, coaches or support boats
  - 14.4 Competitors will not be able to place food, drink and spares on support person vessels and/or safety boats due to the risk of Covid transmission.

## **15 BERTHING and RIBS**

- 15.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park for the duration of the regatta unless instructed otherwise.
- 15.2 The ISC Staging is often wet at high water, therefore all valuables and equipment should be stowed securely ashore.
- 15.3 Boats residing on the staging overnight are required to be tied down.
- 15.4 Trailers must be manhandled from the road down to the ISC staging. Vehicles are not permitted down Club Lane. Parking is strictly prohibited.
- 15.5 Parking for trailers and vehicles is available in the Harbour Conservancy car park (Pay & Display) opposite club lane.
- 15.6 There are no facilities at ISC to launch RIBs. If you wish to bring a Support Boat please launch from the Harbour Conservancy Public Launch Site (around 150m West of ISC) [www.conservancy.co.uk](http://www.conservancy.co.uk) RIBs up to 6m in length may be left on the small pontoon at ISC with an overnight charge of £10.

## **16 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS**

- 16.1 A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided the race committee has approved her sail identification and bow number before the first race.

## **17 DATA PROTECTION**

- 17.1 **PRIVACY STATEMENT** The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organising authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

## **18 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS**

- 18.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and their sponsors without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

## **19 RISK STATEMENT**

- 19.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning,

trauma, hypothermia of other causes. 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 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 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 competitor briefing held for the event.

## **20 INSURANCE**

- 20.1 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.
- 20.2 Competitors may be asked to provide evidence of insurance at anytime during the regatta to the 420 Class Authority.

## **21 PRIZES**

- 21.1 Prizes will be awarded depending on entry numbers.
- 21.2 Prize Giving will take place on the ISC Club lawn as soon as possible after the final results are known.

## **22 COVID STATEMENT**

- 22.1 By taking part in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of the containment of the spread of coronavirus and for complying with the DSC COVID-19 procedures. A breach of this rule shall not be grounds for protest by another boat. This amends RRS 60.1(a).
- 22.2 COVID19 guidelines in operation at the event may restrict the support boat provision, consequently the upper wind limit for racing may be reduced.

## **23 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact either the GBR 420 Class Sailing Secretary - [420sailingsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:420sailingsecretary@gmail.com), contact the Itchenor Sailing Club on [Office@itchenorsailingclub.co.uk](mailto:Office@itchenorsailingclub.co.uk) or 01243 512400 or visit the class association website.

### **DISCLAIMER**

Members of the Club, their guests and visitors, use the Club premises and any other facilities of the Club entirely at their own risk and accept that:

(1) The Club will not accept any liability for any damage to or loss of property belonging to Members, their guests or visitors to the Club.

(2) The Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of the use of the Club premises, or any other facilities of the Club, or out of participation in any races or other activities organised by the Club, whether sustained by Members, their guests or visitors, or caused by the said Members guests or visitors, whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed or contributed to or was occasioned by neglect, default or negligence of any of them, the officers, committee, Members or servants of the Club.