



CHEW VALLEY LAKE SAILING CLUB



## **GBR 420 Grand Prix 3**

Organising authority

**Chew Valley Sailing Club (CVLSC)**

In conjunction with

**BRITISH INTERNATIONAL 420 CLASS (UK)**

**DATE: 6th - 7th November**

### **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 sailing instructions will be published on the GBR 420 class website by 17:00 on Wednesday 3rd November

#### **3 COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 Documents will be published on the 420 class website prior to the regatta. From 9am Monday 6th November all official communications will be posted to the Official Noticeboard On the side of the Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club, Club House

- 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 via the official noticeboard as detailed in 3.1. The CVLSC WiFi system may not be accessible and they must have a device which can connect to the internet via an alternative means.

#### **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 Monday 1st November.
- 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.

#### **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 All competitors should download the NOR, Si's and joining Instructions prior to the event.
- 8.2 Competitor Briefing: Saturday 6th - 11:30am outside the CVLSC club house.

- 8.3 Format of Racing: It is intended to run a maximum of 6 races over the two days. The intended format is as follows, the Race Committee may adjust this over the weekend:

Day	First Warning Signal	Intended no. of races
6th November 2021	12:30hrs	3 races back to back
7th November 2021	10:30hrs	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 [420classoffice@gmail.com](mailto:420classoffice@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**

- 10.1 The venue will be Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club, Walley Court Road, Chew Stoke  
BS40 8XN

## **11 COURSES**

- 11.1 The Course(s) to be sailed will be detailed in 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 One race is 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.

## **14 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

- 14.1 Support person vessels are **prohibited** from on water activity.
- 14.2 Official, Patrol and safety vessels will be provided solely by Chew Valley Sailing Club. These vessels may be crewed by non-members of the Chew Valley Sailing Club.
- 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.

## **15 BERTHING**

- 15.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park for the duration of the regatta unless instructed otherwise.

## **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. Sailors or Owners of competing 420's may be asked to provide evidence the competing boat is insured.

## **21 PRIZES**

21.1 Prizes will be awarded depending on entry numbers.

## **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 CVSC 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 Inforce at CVSC request everyone coming to CVLSC to take a lateral flow test before arrival onsite. It's quick and easy and will help protect others. In the event that you are unable to travel due to a positive test, you are eligible for a full refund for this event.
- 22.3 If the forecast wind strength, or COVID19 restrictions cause cancellation of the event, full refunds of the entry fees will be given. Notice of cancellation will be posted on the GBR 420 Class Association website minimum 24 hours prior to the event start.

## **23 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 23.1 **Invasive Species:** CVLSC and Bristol Water are committed to the prevention of the spread of invasive species. We are following the Environment Agency and RYA guidelines – 'CHECK CLEAN DRY' <http://www.nonnativespecies.org/checkcleandry> Please make sure your boat has been clean and dry for at least 2 days prior to your arrival. The entry form will require you to self - certify that this is the case. You may be required to check and wash your boat before leaving Chew.
- 23.2 No dogs are allowed on the premises.
- 23.3 Camper vans may be permitted on site on Saturday 6th night only if pre-booked through Paul Nichols – 07511 442512  
vice-commodore@chewvalleysailing.org.uk. There will be a fee of £10.
- 23.4 **CONTACT**  
Please contact either the GBR 420 Class Sailing Secretary - [420sailingsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:420sailingsecretary@gmail.com), visit the host venue website or the class association website.