



420 Seldon National Championships 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority (OA) is

**Celtic Sea Watersports in conjunction with Dale Yacht Club and the
BRITISH INTERNATIONAL 420 CLASS (UK)**

Thursday 22nd August to Monday 26th August 2024

<https://gbr420.uk/nationals>

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).

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The GBR 420 STANDARD SAILING INSTRUCTIONS 2024 (SSIs) apply except as changed by this Notice of Race (NoR) and the Event Sailing Instructions (ESIs) which will be published on the event site web page approximately a week prior to the event.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The Official Noticeboard is located online on the event web page at <https://gbr420.uk/nationals>.
- 3.2. Notices may be repeated for convenience at a prominent location at the host venue.
- 3.3. [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.
- 3.4. Competitors should note that it is anticipated that all communication for this event will be on line. The Host Venue WiFi system may not be accessible and they must have access to a device which can connect to the internet via an alternative means.

- 3.5. 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 Event Web Page, paying the entry fee and completing registration by the closing date of Sunday 4th August 2024 23:59.
- 4.3. Late entries will only be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 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.
- 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 membership of the British International 420 Class (UK) Association by email to 420classoffice@gmail.com or using the option on the entry page.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The Entry Fee for each event will be £340 and shall be paid via the online payment system.
- 5.2. Cancellation and Refunds:
- 5.2.1. Entries cancelled prior to the event's closing date will be subject to a full refund minus 10% to cover administration costs.
- 5.2.2. Entries cancelled after the event's closing date will be at the discretion of the Organising Authority and will only be considered in extreme circumstances (e.g. illness or injury). When granted, they will be subject to a 50% refund..

6. NOT USED

7. IDENTIFICATION & ADVERTISING

- 7.1. See SSI 21

8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

- 8.1. Each event will consist of a single series.

9. SCHEDULE

- 9.1. This section changes SSI 6.1
- 9.2. Registration will be held at Coronation Hall at
17:00 - 18:00 Wednesday 21st August 2024
0900 - 9:30 Thursday 22nd August 2024

All competitors should download the NoR, SSIs and ESIs and any joining Instructions prior to the event and be aware of the official noticeboard located at <https://gbr420.uk/nationals>.

- 9.3. There will be a competitors' briefing at 18:00 on Wednesday 21st August at a location stated in the SIs or signposted at the venue. The ESIs may change this time to be later but will not make it earlier.
- 9.4. Format of Racing: It is intended to run a maximum of 10 races over the two days. The intended format is as follows, the Race Committee may adjust this.

Day	Format	First Warning	
Thursday 22nd	3 Practise Races	11:55	
Friday 23rd	3 Races	10:55	
Saturday 24th	3 Races	10:55	
Sunday 25th	2 Races + Crews' race*	10:55	
Monday 26th	2 Races	10:55	

*Crews' race does not count in series and will have a separate prize.

- 9.5. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:30.

10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1. A boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate if requested by the 420 Class. This may be in electronic format.
- 10.2. [DP] Each boat shall supply Sail Sticker numbers (aka Button Numbers) via the online form on the Event Web Page and only these sails shall be used in the regatta. Sail Sticker number uploads must be completed no later than 1 hour before the First Warning Signal on the first day of racing. Information on how to find your Sail Sticker numbers can be found here: [https://gbr420.uk/the-boat/rules-and-other-official-things/sail-stickers-\(button-numbers\)](https://gbr420.uk/the-boat/rules-and-other-official-things/sail-stickers-(button-numbers))
- 10.3. [DP] Boats, sails and equipment may be inspected for class rules compliance prior to or during or after racing.
- 10.4. [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.

11. NOT USED

12. VENUE

- 12.1. Dale Yacht Club, Dale, Pembrokeshire SA62 3RD

13. COURSES

- 13.1. See SSI 9

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1. See SSI 14.

15. SCORING

- 15.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
15.2. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst scores as listed below (This changes SSI 17.2):

Races Completed	Scores Excluded
1 – 3	0
4 – 10	1

16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 16.1. Support person vessels shall be allowed as described by SSI 23.

17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

- 17.1. 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.

18. BERTHING

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

19. NOT USED

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21. DATA PROTECTION

- 21.1. **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.
- 21.2. **RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS** 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.

22. RISK STATEMENT

- 22.1. 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 or 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.

23. INSURANCE

- 23.1. 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.

24. PRIZES

- 24.1. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority with the aim of being fully inclusive to all categories where possible. Prizes will include as a minimum:

- 1st Female
- 1st Male
- 1st Mixed
- 1st U17
- The Curradinghy Trophy – Open Champion
- British Championship Challenge Trophy - National Champion
- The Hardy Trophy - Junior National Champion
- John Tew Trophy - Youth National Champion
- Corinthian Bowl - Ladies National Champion
- Cohn Masters Trophy - Masters National Champion

- 24.2. Additional prizes and trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the organising Authority

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please visit the class website at <https://gbr420.uk/> or email the GBR 420 Class Sailing Secretary at 420sailingsecretary@gmail.com.