

GP14 (Team Event) AND YACHTING WORLD DAYBOAT ROUND THE HARBOUR ISLANDS RACES

Saturday 18th 2022
Organising Authority - Poole Yacht Club
Poole Harbour, UK

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

- 1 RULES
 - 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
 - 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS
 - 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the event noticeboard on the south side of the Poole Yacht Club clubhouse.
 - 3.2 A race briefing will be held at approximately 10:00 on Saturday 18th June on the patio on the south side of the clubhouse.
 - 3.3 [DP] 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 The race office is located at the Poole Yacht Club, telephone 01202 672687, email depngenmgr@pooleyc.co.uk.
- 4 CODE OF CONDUCT
 - 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
 - 4.2 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall place advertising provided by the organizing authority in accordance with any instructions for its use.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagstaff on the south side of the Poole Yacht Club clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.
- 5.3 When a RED flag is displayed from a staff near the slipway, dinghies shall not go afloat to race until advised otherwise. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 30 minutes after the RED flag is removed.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

Race	Time of Warning Signal
Race 1 GP14	Not before 10:55
Race 1 YWDB	Start signal of GP14 Race 1 may coincide with warning signal for YWDB
Fleets to come ashore for lunch after Race 1	
Race 2 GP14	Not before 14:25
Race 2 YWDB	Start signal of GP14 Race 2 may coincide with warning signal for YWDB

- 6.2 The Race Officer may alter this schedule depending on the weather forecast.

7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 The class flags are:

Class	Class Flag
<i>GP14</i>	<i>IC Golf</i>
<i>YWDB</i>	<i>IC Delta</i>

8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 SI Addendum A shows the location of the racing area which will be in Poole Harbour.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 The course for each race will be described on the Official Noticeboard.
- 9.2 A RIB lead boat may lead the fleet.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 The course marks will be as described on the official noticeboard before the start of each race and will be mainly fixed marks in the Harbour (appendix A).
- 10.2 The Race Officer may lay a moveable mark as part of the course, which will be an orange inflatable mark.

10.3 Start and finish marks are described in SI 12 and 13.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

11.1 Poole Harbour is a busy port and competitors should be aware of commercial shipping traffic moving within restricted channels in the Harbour and other Harbour users. Competitors must obey Harbour by-laws including directions given by the Harbour Master and safety boats and Poole Harbour Yacht Racing Criteria. In the event of any conflict, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea apply between a boat racing and one that is not and have precedence over RRS.

12 THE START

12.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal (Note: all signals will be flags from the race hut, not the light signals sometimes used on Poole Yacht Club Race Hut start lines).

12.2 The starting of races will be from the Poole YC Race Hut situated on the Haven wall south of the Club House.

12.3 The starting line is defined as a line between the mast displaying an Orange flag on the Race Hut at the inner end and an outer starting mark which will be an orange dan buoy with an orange flag.

12.4 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

13 CHANGE TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

Not relevant to this event

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The Finish Line will be a line between the mast displaying a Yellow Flag on the south face of the Poole Yacht Club Race Hut and the outermost of the 3 aligned yellow posts positioned to the south of the Race Hut.

14.2 Alternative Finishing Lines:

a) After the first boat has finished the Race Committee may finish other boats at any mark of the course;

b) The Race Committee may finish boats on the course at a mark of the course before the time limit expires under RRS 32.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 RRS 44 applies.

16 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

- 16.1 The time limit is 150 minutes. When the first boat finishes within the time limit, the time limit will be extended by 20 minutes. No boat shall finish after the expiry of the time limit. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 16.2 If no boat finishes the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a).
- 16.3 The target time will be 100 minutes for each race.

17 HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in that class finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 17.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office at the south side of the clubhouse.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Poole Yacht Club clubhouse beginning at the time posted.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 **RRS Appendix A shall apply for the YWDB fleet. For the GP14 fleet, RRS Appendix A shall not apply.**
- 18.2 For the GP14 Team Event: each of the first 2 boats in a team to finish each race will count and the positions summed to give a total score for that team in that race. The position of the third boat in a team will stand and though discarded from the team's total score will still influence results indirectly by adding to the scores of "counting" boats in other teams finishing behind it.
- 18.3 For the GP14 Team Event: each team will consist of 3 boats selected by being drawn from a hat when registration closes at 10:00 when the briefing starts. Depending on numbers entered, teams will be split into visitors and local Poole YC boats with a representative of visiting boats drawing Poole YC boats and the GP14 Class Captain of Poole YC (GP PYC) drawing the visitor boats. The intention is to have a least one visitor boat in each team of three, but the detail will depend on numbers of entries and will be resolved on the day by mutual agreement between the representatives of visiting boats and GP PYC.
- 18.4 For the GP14 event, the winning team will be the team with the lowest aggregate score from all completed races.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 [DP] A Safety Tally Number will be allocated to each boat when entering. The Tally Board will be situated at the top of the yacht marina slipway. Competitors intending to race shall contact the Beachmaster who will issue them with a rubber wrist band for the boat bearing their boat tally

number which must be worn at all times whilst afloat. Immediately on reaching shore each helm shall report to the Beachmaster and surrender their wrist band.

19.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

20.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Race Officer.

20.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the Race Officer. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Officer at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

21.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

21.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

22 SUPPLIED BOATS

22.1 Not applicable

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

23.1 Official boats will be marked/identified as appropriate. This will be defined during the race briefing on Saturday 18th June.

24 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

24.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats of any class are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

24.3 Support person vessels may be marked/identified as appropriate. This will be defined during the race briefing on Saturday 18th June.

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

25.1 Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

26 BERTHING

26.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

27 PRIZES

29.1 Prizes will be awarded to the winner of the event.

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organisers.

30 RISK STATEMENT

30.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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.

31 INSURANCE

31.1 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.

32 TIDAL INFORMATION

Tide Times (BST) at LAT 50°42'N / LONG 1°59'W (Poole):

Date	Low Water		High Water		Low Water	
	Time	Height (m)	Time	Height (m)	Time	Height (m)
Sat 18 August	07:40	0.51	12:50	2.08	20:20	0.90

Addendum A – Race Area

