

## **420 INLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS & GP1**

Organising authority  
DRAYCOTE WATER SAILING CLUB  
In conjunction with  
BRITISH INTERNATIONAL 420 CLASS (UK)

12th-13th February 2022  
Draycote Water, United Kingdom

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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 and supporters shall act in accordance with the above charters.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, applies.
- 1.5 RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat.
- 1.6 [NP] Breaches of SI 18, 19, 21 & 23 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.7 Penalties for breaches of Class Rules shall be at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification.
- 1.8 During the months of November, December, January, February and March, all persons on the water shall wear exposure proof clothing. For the purpose of this instruction 'Exposure proof clothing' shall mean an adequate expanded neoprene wet suit providing protection from neck to ankle or a dry suit providing watertight cover from neck to ankle.

### **2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Draycote Water Sailing Club **ONLINE** noticeboard found here: [ONLINE LINK](#).
- 2.2 Not less than 45 minutes before the first warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

### 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the DWSC Official notice board.
- 3.2 An event WhatsApp group has also been set up for competitors. You will be invited by mobile phone.
- 3.3 There will be no formal competitor briefing held in person at the club. All competitors must register via the event WhatsApp group between 8.00 am and 10.00 am on Saturday 12th Feb when sailors are onsite by providing the helm/crew name, sail number and bow number.
- 3.4 The race office can be contacted via the online forms on the official notice board.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be made on the club flag pole located on the patio.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP
- 4.3 [DP] Flag D with one sound means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes' after flag D is displayed. Boats shall not leave the slipway until this signal is made.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 It is intended to run 8 races over the 2 days. The intended format is as follows, this may be varied:

Day	First Warning Signal	Intended no. of races
12th February 2022	10:55hrs	4 races back to back
13th February 2022	10:25hrs	4 races back to back

- 5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least **one minute** before a warning signal is made.
- 5.3 No start sequence will commence after 14:30 on Sunday except following a general recall of a race started before 14:30

### 6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The class flag will be the 420 class flag.

### 7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area will be on Draycote Water

### 8 COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum 1 shows the courses.
- 8.2 The course and number of laps to be sailed will be displayed from the Committee Boat.
- 8.3 The approximate bearing of mark 1 may be displayed on the Committee Boat.
- 8.4 If a gate is replaced by a single mark, it is to be rounded to port.

### 9 MARKS

- 9.1 All rounding marks will be Orange dumpy buoys.
- 9.2 The Starting Mark will be a Committee Boat or a Dan Buoy flying an orange flag.
- 9.3 The Finishing Mark will be a danbuoy displaying a blue flag.
- 9.4 The Race Committee may use marks of a different size or colour and the start and finish marks may both be in place at the same time.

## **10 [DP] LOCAL RULES**

- 10.1 If you call an emergency service, you **must** inform a Staff Member from DWSC

### **10.2 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

Boats shall not sail at any time within 30 meters of the shore except in an emergency or in front of the club compound.

Fishing boats whether engaged in fishing or not, this includes the area the line extends from or being cast in.

Rescue boats or committee boats when not displaying defined start or finish signals.

## **11 THE START**

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and the port-end Starting Mark.
- 11.2 When a limit mark is laid near the Committee Boat it is a starting mark that shall be left to starboard when starting.
- 11.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 11.4 A race may not be started if, in the opinion of the racer officer there is excessive or insufficient wind.

## **12 CHANGE TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark.
- 12.2 Minor mark moves, up to approximately 100m, may be made without signaling the change. This changes RRS 33.
- 12.3 When Flag F is displayed with repeated sound signals at mark 3 or mark 4, boats shall round the mark and proceed directly to the finish.

## **13 THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The Finishing Line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the Committee Boat and the finish mark.

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 RRS Appendix P will apply with the following changes. The penalty under RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one. RRS P2.3 will not apply.
- 14.2 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.

**15 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]**

15.1 The time limits and target times are as follows:

<b>Time Limit</b>	<b>Mark 1-time limit</b>	<b>Target time</b>
70 minutes	20 minutes	45 minutes

- 15.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)
- 15.3 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored according to their observed position on the course, which may be the position at the last mark rounding. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 15.4 The race committee may award a finishing place to a boat by pointing Flag W at her with a sound signal. The signaled boat shall be deemed to have finished, and the score awarded shall be the position occupied at the time of the signal. If two or more overlapped boats are signaled, they shall be scored as if they were tied. This changes RRS 28.1 and A3

**16 HEARING REQUESTS**

- 16.1 In addition to RRS 61.1(a) a boat intending to protest should notify the committee vessel immediately upon finishing the race or retiring and await acknowledgement.
- 16.2 Hearing request forms are online on the ONB. Protests shall be submitted within the protest time limit.
- 16.3 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has finished racing or signal “no more racing today” is made.
- 16.4 Notices will be posted on the official noticeboard no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit has expired to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the earliest opportunity.
- 16.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b) on the official noticeboard.
- 16.6 A list of boats that have been penalised for breaking RRS 42 will be posted on the official noticeboard
- 16.7 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 20 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2(a).
- 16.8 Data and the information from cameras, video and positioning equipment shall not be the only grounds for redress.

**17 SCORING**

- 17.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2 (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.

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1 A safety tally system will not be in operation.
- 18.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee or a race support boat as soon as possible and shall not leave the race area without permission of the Race Committee.
- 18.3 [DP] Boats wishing to sail ashore before the end of the day's racing may do so once they have notified a race official or the committee boat of retirement.
- 18.4 [DP] Competitors are required to comply with any reasonable request from a race official or safety boat. Boats failing to follow the instructions of safety boats will be reported to the protest committee, which may protest the boat. Boats penalised under this SI may be scored DNE. This amends RRS 64.1(a)

## **19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 19.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 19.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorised in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first opportunity, which may be after the race.

## **20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions. On the water or ashore, a boat can be instructed by an equipment inspector to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. A boat shall comply with any reasonable request made by an equipment inspector.

## **21 IDENTIFICATION & ADVERTISING**

- 21.1 [DP] Boats shall display class bow numbers. The class association will make the numbers available and give instructions for their use.
- 21.2 [DP] Boats may use sails carrying a distinguishing number other than that required by RRS 77 and RRS Appendix G.
- 21.3 A boat's recall number will be their bow number. This changes RRS 30.4.
- 21.4 [DP] When provided by the organising authority, boats shall display advertising.
- 21.5 Boats using a sail number other than the correct one for the boat must ensure that their number is not duplicated in the fleet.

## **22 [DP] SUPPORT BOATS**

See NoR 14.

## **23 TRASH DISPOSAL**

- 23.1 Rubbish is to be disposed of into a bin. Sailors are asked to bring any rubbish ashore and place it in an appropriate bin. Rubbish may not be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

## **24 PRIZES**

- 24.1 The following prizes will be awarded:

- 1st overall
- 1st, 2nd & 3rd - Open
- 1st, 2nd & 3rd - Ladies
- 1st junior (U17) overall
- 2nd Junior (U17)
- 3rd Junior (U17)

**25 RISK STATEMENT**

See NoR 19.

**26 INSURANCE**

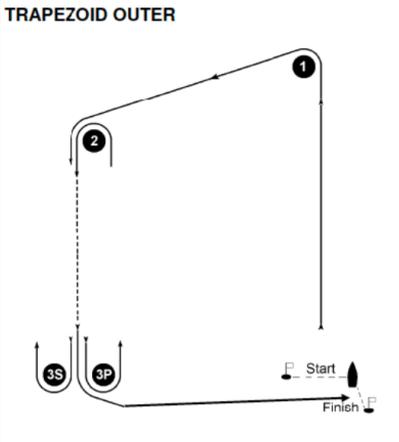
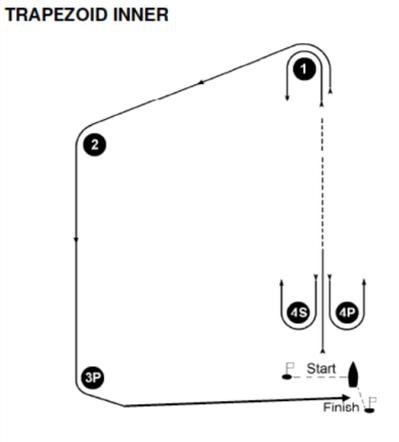
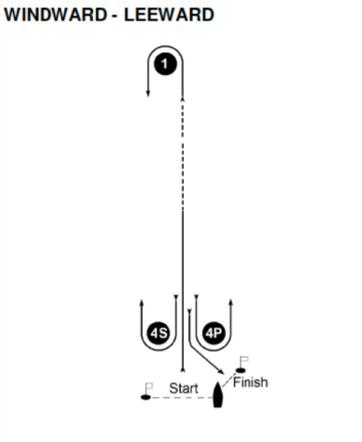
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**27. VIDEO RECORDING**

27.1 Video recording cameras may be allowed on boats as long as the following conditions are met:

- (a) The camera may record information that may be used only for the explicit purpose of education within mainstream school, university or college.
- (b) Permission must be obtained in writing from the Class by contacting the 420 Sailing Secretary (420sailingsecretary@gmail.com).
- (c) The data recorded will not be admissible as evidence in protest or redress hearings.
- (d) No part of the installation may protrude outside the hull horizontally.
- (e) All spares and charged batteries must be carried on the competing boat.

**Addendum One – COURSE DIAGRAMS**

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