

GP 14 UK Inland Championship
Royal Windermere Yacht Club
Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th October 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

The organising authority is Royal Windermere Yacht Club in association with the GP 14 Class Association

1. Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the RYA will apply
- 1.3 The bye laws of the Lake District National Park will apply – please contact the club for further information.
- 1.4 RRS 40.1 shall apply (Personal Flotation Devices)
- 1.5 RRS 60.2. a Does not apply. Therefore, when protesting another boat a red flag must be flown.

2. Sailing Instructions

The sailing Instructions will be available at Registration and may be available beforehand on the GP14 Class website.

3. Communication

- 3.1 The official notice board is located
- 3.2 (DP) While racing 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.

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 The event is open to all GP14 class sailing dinghies with a valid measurement certificate
- 4.2 Eligible boats may be entered in advance by completing an online entry form from the GP 14 Website here: <https://gp14.org/events/gp14-inland-championship/>
- 4.3 Entries will close on Sunday 28th September 2025
- 4.4 Competitors will be required to complete medical declaration forms or under 18 declaration forms as required by the GP 14 Association these can be found here <https://gp14.org/events/gp14-inland-championship/>. This information will be held on site for Health and Safety requirements and such information will be deleted or destroyed after the event.
- 4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.6 Entries after the 28th September will be considered on an individual basis by The GP14 Association in conjunction with RWYC.

5. Fees

The entry fee for the event is £40.00, Youth boats £20.00, Youth helms £30.00 until 21st September at midnight, then the fees increase by £10 to £50.00 Youth boats £30 and Youth Helm £40.

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. Payment may be made online to the GP14 Class Association via the website.

6. Crew Limitations

Substitution of the helm or crew will be allowed up to registration at the Club. Substitution of the helm after this time will not be permitted. Substitution of the crew may be made only with the prior, written permission of the Organising Authority.

7. Advertising

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

8. Schedule

Registration will be at the Club on Saturday October 4th from 9.30 to 12.00

Saturday October 4th - Warning Signal for first Race 12.55, races 1, 2 and 3 to follow back-to-back.

Sunday October 5th, Warning signal for first race 10.25, Races 4, 5 and 6 to follow back-to-back.

Saturday is the Windermere GP14 Open entrants for the Inland Championship will automatically be eligible for the for the Open.

At the discretion of the race officer, a race may be brought forward to the first day, or postponed to the second day depending on weather conditions. Not more than one of the scheduled number of races may be brought forward nor postponed by a day.

On the Saturday evening there will be a dinner, details in the Additional Information at the end of this Notice.

9. Equipment Inspection

9.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid Class Certificate

9.2 Boats may be inspected at any time.

10. Venue

The venue is the Royal Windermere Yacht Club, Fallbarriow Road, Bowness on Windermere, Windermere LA23 3DJ

11. Courses and sailing area

11.1 The courses to be sailed will be either laid marks courses or courses set using club racing mark courses.

11.2 Laid Mark will be either windward / leeward or windward / leeward / triangular courses and will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

11.3 The sailing area will be either the Windermere North Lake indicated by a U flag on the club flag staff or Windermere South Lake indicated by an L flag on the club flag staff.

12. Scoring

12.1 The low points system as provided in RRS Appendix A will apply.

12.2 There will be 1 discard when 4 or more races are sailed

12.3 Minimum number of races to constitute a series will be 2 races

13. Support Person Vessels

Support person vessels are not permitted.

14. Berthing

Competitors will be assigned a boat parking space for the duration of the event and shall be kept in their assigned places while in the dinghy park.

15. Data Protection

The Data Protection policy of the International GP14 Class Association shall apply. Details can be found on the Class website.

16. Risk Statement

16.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. 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 organizer 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 safety briefing held for the event.

17. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of £3million per incident or the equivalent.

18. Prizes

18.1 A prize will be awarded to the winner of the event.

18.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

19. Further Information

For further information please contact Vanessa Devereux, GP14 Class Association
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END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Additional Information

1. Competitors and their families shall be deemed to be members of RWYC for the duration of the event, gate cards will be available for the duration of the event from Zoe behind the bar with a £10 refundable deposit and are limited to one per boat.
2. Accommodation There is no facility for motor caravans, caravans or tents at the club, accommodation information can be found at <http://www.windermereinfo.co.uk/>
3. There is a caravan club approved motor home and campervan site on Glebe Road details can be found [here](#) and motor homes may park on the local authority run Braithwaite Fold Carpark details can be found [here](#).
4. There will be an event dinner on the evening of Saturday October 4th, the dress code will be smart casual/blacktie optional Tickets for this dinner are available and can be booked at £25 per person
5. The club and lake lie wholly within the Lake District National Park, no rubbish or waste shall be deposited on the club grounds or in the lake whatsoever. Use bins provided or take it home.
6. There have been large green algae blooms in the lake at times please be aware of all advice from the LDNPA, in the circumstances of an algal bloom drinking of lake water is not advised it could make people very ill and is lethal to animals.