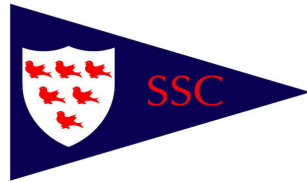


SHOREHAM SAILING CLUB



NOTICE OF RACE

Merlin Rocket Silver Tiller & 420 GP3

18th -19th June 2022

Organising Authority:

Shoreham Sailing Club (SSC) in association with Merlin Rocket Owners Association (MROA) & The British International 420 Class (UK)

1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), RYA prescriptions and the relevant Class rules.
- 1.2 In the case of conflict between the Notice of Race (NoR) and the sailing instructions (SI's), the sailing instructions shall prevail. This changes rule 63.7.
- 1.3 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. Competitors shall undertake to sail in compliance with the charters.
- 1.4 RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat
- 1.5 Spinnaker numbers are not required. This changes Rule 77 and Appendix G1.3(c).
- 1.6 RRS Appendix T will apply.

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Merlin Rocket & 420 Classes which have a current measurement certificate.
- 2.2 Boats competing for Silver Tiller prizes must be entered by members or associate members of the MROA
- 2.3 Entries will be accepted from non-members of the MROA provided they are members of SSC but they will not be eligible for Silver Tiller prizes.
- 2.4 Boats competing for the 420 prizes must be members of the 420 association.
- 2.5 A boat wishing to substitute a helm or a crew after registration shall make prior written request to the race committee to do so. The decision to permit or deny such request shall be entirely at the discretion of the race committee.

3 ENTRIES AND FEES

- 3.1 Merlin Rocket entries shall be made on the official Entry Form available at reception or online www.shorehamsailing.org Online entry must be made 24hours before the event.
- 3.2 Entry fees for the Merlin Rockets are £35.00 per boat for the complete event (two days) or £25.00 for one day.

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- 3.3 Entry and Fees for the 420 fleet are as set out on the 420 class association website.
- 3.4 Merlin Rocket entries will be accepted up to 12.00 on Saturday 18th June or up to 09.30 on Sunday 19th June for entries on that day only.
- 3.5 Limited camping for tents and camper vans is available on site for £25.00 for the weekend.
- 4 COMMUNICATION
- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the main upstairs room of the clubhouse.
- 4.2 Class Associations may post notices on their websites.
- 4.3 While racing, from the 1st 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.
- 5 SCHEDULE
- 5.1 Merlin Rocket registration will take place in the club house on Saturday 18th June between 10.00 and 12.00 and on Sunday 19th June between 08.30 and 09.30.
- 5.2 The event comprises of a six (6) race series: 3 races on Saturday and 3 races on Sunday.
- 5.3 At it's discretion, the race committee may change the number of races each day but may not start more than 4 races on either day.
- 5.4 The scheduled time for race briefings will be: Saturday 18th June not before 11.30; Sunday 19th June not before 09.00.
- 5.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the races will be: Saturday 18th June not before 13.25; Sunday 19th June not before 10.25.
- 5.6 Merlin Rocket Class are scheduled to start first followed by 420 Class.
- 5.7 No warning signal will be made after 15.00 on Sunday 19th June.
- 5.8 High water times: Saturday 18th June HW 15:13 (6.12m); Sunday 19th June HW 16:08 (5.84m).
- 6 420 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION
- 6.1 A boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate if requested by the 420 Class. This may be in electronic format.
- 6.2 Each boat shall supply button numbers, using the process prescribed by the 420 Class Association, for up to two main sails, two jibs and two spinnakers by 09.00 on 18th June and only these shall be used in the regatta. This amends Class Rule C10.2.2 [DP].
- 6.3 Boats, sails and equipment may be inspected for class rules compliance prior to or during or after racing.
- 6.4 Class Rule C.5.2.b)1) applies: The boat shall be fitted with a towing rope of a minimum length of 8 m and minimum diameter of 8 mm, secured to the mast [DP] [NP].
- 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
- 7.1 Sailing instructions will be published on the event website on or before 18th June 2022 (www.shorehamsailing.org) and printed copies will be available at registration.
- 8 VENUE
- 8.1 Shoreham Sailing Club, Soldiers Point, 223 Harbour Way, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 5HZ.
- 8.2 Racing will normally take place to the West of the harbour entrance.

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9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 RRS Rule 44 will apply.
- 9.2 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42 will apply to the 420 fleet only and as prescribed by the 420 Class Association.
- 9.3 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.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series
- 10.2 When fewer than three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.3 When three or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 The following fleet prizes will be awarded by Shoreham Sailing Club to the Merlin Rocket Fleet;
 - Lighthouse Litre for the winner of Saturday
 - Sussex Flagon for the winner of Sunday
 - Chairman Cup for the overall winner
- 11.2 The MROA will provide prizes for the Silver and Bronze Fleet;
- 11.3 The 420 Association will provide prizes for the 420 fleet. The following prizes will be awarded:
 - 1st Open overall
 - 1st Female overall
 - 2nd Open overall
 - 2nd Female overall
 - 3rd Female overall
 - 3rd Open overall
 - 1st (U17)
 - 2nd (U17)
 - 3rd (U17)

12 RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 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'.
- 12.2 By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
 - they are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - the provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

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- it is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held at the venue;
- their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 or the equivalent per event against third party claims.

13 RIGHTS AND COPYRIGHT

- 13.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

14 DATA PROTECTION

- 14.1 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 RRS 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.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 Merlin Rockets. Please contact William Warren merlinfleet@shorehamsailing.org or 07802 587831
- 15.2 420's. Please contact Gareth Griffiths on juniordev@shorehamsailing.org or 07974 915682