



**Grafham Water
Sailing Club**

Notice of Race: 2021 Wednesday Evening Series Every Wednesday from 7th April to 25th August.

Please note: the last Wednesday evening race of 2021 will be a race held on 1st September. A separate NoR will be issued.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. [Sailing instructions for club racing](https://www.grafham.org/sailing-racing/club-racing/race-management/sailing-instructions.html) available at <https://www.grafham.org/sailing-racing/club-racing/race-management/sailing-instructions.html> applies.
- 1.3. Before competing on each day of the event, each helm must enter using the Grafham Water Sailing Club WebCollect facility.
- 1.4. Competitors are required to volunteer as a Committee boat crew or Rescue crew during the series. Please register via DutyMan.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available at [GWSC Website](#).
- 2.2. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board located at <https://www.grafham.org/sailing-racing/club-racing/race-management/sailing-instructions.html>. The modified start sequence is specified in the SSIs.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. 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.

4. ELIGABILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats.
- 4.2. The [Great Lakes Handicap System](#) applies to boats racing in handicap fleets.
- 4.3. Classes are defined as follows:

Start	Start Numeral	Fleets	Handicap	Course display location
1	3	Fast Handicap Asymmetric	<1001 <1101	SHS CB
2	6	Slow two-handed Asymmetric	>1000 >1100	SHS CB
3	9	Slow single-handed	>1000	SHS CB

CB=Committee Boat, SHS=Starboard-hand side, PHS=Port-hand side

- 4.4. Boats shall enter the event by registering online at <https://webcollect.org.uk/grafham>

5. FEES (Does not apply)

6. CREW LIMITATIONS



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- 6.1. The following crew limitations apply: *Sailors should be members or guests of Grafham Water Sailing Club*
- 6.2. Class rules for each boat shall apply, except as modified by GWSC during the Covid limitation period for 2-person classes that have applied for dispensation to sail single handed off a different handicap.
7. ADVERTISING
 - 7.1. Advertising shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20 and the relevant rules of the individual competitor's Class Association. Grafham Water Sailing Club may require the display of advertising material
8. QUALIFYING SERIES & FINAL SERIES (Does not apply)
9. SCHEDULE
 - 9.1. One race is scheduled for each day's racing.
 - 9.2. From 28/04/21 to 11/08/21 the warning signal for the first start each day will not be before 18:57. For the remaining races, the warning signal for the first start of each day will not be before 18:27.
10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION (Does not apply)
11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT
 - 11.1. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times when afloat.
12. VENUE (Does not apply)
13. COURSES
 - 13.1. All fleets shall sail the course displayed on the starboard side of the committee boat.
 - 13.2. Boats must sail through the start-finish line at the completion of each lap.
14. PENALTY SYSTEM
 - 14.1. Penalty System RRS 44.1 and 44.2 apply, except that a penalty of one turn replaces the Two Turn penalty.
15. SCORING
 - 15.1. The number of races to count in each series shall be 1 + 30% of the number of races (fractions will be rounded up) available in that series.
 - 15.2. A minimum of one boat completing a race will ensure that race is available to count towards the series.
 - 15.3. Race Officers and duty crews will be awarded average points for the event. The average will be calculated from all of the races sailed which resulted in a finish.
 - 15.4. Appendix A 5.3 will apply.
16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS (Does not apply)
17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS (Does not apply)
18. BERTHING (Does not apply)
19. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS (Does not apply)
20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS (Does not apply)



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21. DATA PROTECTION

- 21.1. Grafham Water Sailing Club's data privacy policy can be found here:
https://www.grafham.org/wp-content/uploads/_pdfs/Club%20Documents/Privacy-Notice.pdf.

22. RISK STATEMENT

- 22.1. 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

23. INSURANCE

- 23.1. Grafham Water Sailing Club General Instructions state that all craft shall be covered by third-party insurance for claims up to £2 million arising in any one accident.

24. PRIZES

- 24.1. Prizes for the series are awarded to:
- 24.1.1. Fast Handicap
 - 24.1.2. Slow double-handed handicap
 - 24.1.3. Slow single-handed handicap
- 24.2. The prize giving will be held as soon as possible after racing on 1st September 2021

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 25.1. For further information please contact : office@grafham.org