



29er Winters 2022 - Pre event guidance notes, Supplementary Sailing Instructions.

Questions to consider and guidance before attending your event at Grafham Water Sailing Club for sailors, parents and authorised guests

Before you leave home:

**PLEASE PERFORM A LATERAL FLOW TEST BEFORE COMING TO THE CLUB.
PLEASE MINIMISE THE NUMBER OF NON-SAILORS ATTENDING.**

If you have COVID-19 [symptoms](#) or a positive test result you should be staying at home and not attending the event. Follow the guidance at stay at [Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#).

- You are making an active OPT IN choice to take part in this event, go on the water and understand that you increase your risk and therefore household risk of exposure to COVID 19.
- Please comply with any Government travel restrictions in force in the area you are travelling from. If new restrictions have been imposed since you entered the event, meaning you can no longer travel, you will be entitled to a refund of your entry fee. Please contact the Club office or your Class Association depending on how you have entered.
- Have you prepared yourself due to the limited availability of changing and shower facilities?
- Have you read the GWSC Covid-19 procedures on our web site <https://www.grafham.org/covid-19-operating-procedures.html> ?
- Do you have your face covering?

On entry to the site:

- The club is required to request everyone who visits the site to scan the NHS Covid-19 QR code.
- If you do not already have the App on your mobile device please install it before arrival.
- The QR code is displayed at multiple sites on the building and around the grounds; please open the App and scan it every time you visit the site

Ashore at the venue:

- Please do not arrive at the venue before 0830 .
- Changing rooms are open on a restricted basis and entrants should be prepared to arrive changed or change near their car. Changing rooms will be accessible using a tally system with a limit of 20 men or 10 ladies using them at any

one time. All bags must be removed and returned to cars after changing. The communal men's showers are restricted to a maximum of three people at a time.

- Toilet facilities can only be accessed via the outside doors at the top of the steps to the side of the main entrance to the club house. There is no access from the internal stairwell.
- Maintain Social distancing of 1m+ with all outside your bubble.
- Please wear a face covering whenever you are indoors.
- Authorised guests (non-sailors), have a plan what you will do when your sailors are on the water - there may be no indoor space to wait in.
- The Official Notice Board and all communication with the race office will be done electronically, so please bring your mobile device. The Notice Board can be accessed via <https://www.grafham.org/online-noticeboard.html>. Email for use during the event notices will be office@grafham.org

Wash down:

- Boats must be washed down before leaving the Club to comply with non-native species guidance. The main wash down facility is above the slipway to the west of the clubhouse. A separate wash down facility may be available above the east slipway if launching is advised from there

While afloat at the event:

- To avoid unnecessary contact with safety crews only go on the water if your sailing skills are of a standard that enables you to right your boat unaided and return to the shore under the prevailing weather conditions on the day.
- Carry your own personal supply of food, drink and kit, you will not be able to deposit your dry bags nor trash in the safety boats.

Results:

- Will be published online as soon as possible after the completion of racing on the GWSC web site.

Prize giving:

- Prize arrangements are described in the race briefing.

Cafe:

- Face covering to be worn when ordering and collecting food. Follow the one way system, entering via the door facing the lake. Sanitiser is placed next to entrance and exit doors. Contactless card payments are preferred.
- Breakfasts will be available from 0830 each day and pre paid pasta will be available after racing.

Consideration for people working at the event (race management teams, coaches, volunteers):

- They are in a work environment. Please respect their social distancing of 1m +.

Site map:



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UK 29er Class Association NeilPryde Winter Championship

29th & 30th January 2022

Grafham Water Sailing Club

Supplementary Sailing Instructions



The Organising Authority is the Grafham Water Sailing Club in conjunction with the UK 29er Class Association.

These instructions should be read in conjunction with the UK 29er Class Association Major Event Sailing Instructions 2021/2022 V1 and the NoR.

1. RULES

1.1 Competitors should note that the 29er class implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 The race office can be contacted by emailing office@grafham.org.

2.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at <https://www.grafham.org/online-noticeboard.html>.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on flag pole 2, located on the foreshore in front of the clubhouse.

3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

3.3 No boats shall leave the shore until Flag D is displayed ashore.

3.4 Flag D with one sound means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes' after flag D is displayed.

4. FORMAT OF RACING

4.1 Racing will take place as a single fleet and a single series.

4.2 The Race Committee may choose to use different upper and lower wind strength guidelines to those set out in the UK 29er Class Race Management Guidelines.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACING

5.1

Day	First Warning Signal	Intended number of races
Saturday 29 th January 2022	10:55hrs	Races 1-4 back to back
Sunday 30 th January 2020	10.25hrs	Races 5-8 back to back

- 5.2 At the discretion of the Class Representative and the Official Race Officer the programme may be varied to allow for any inclement weather forecasts. This decision will be announced via the official noticeboard.
- 5.2 Registration will take place between 0900 and 1000h at the flagpole on the roundabout.

6. RACE AREA

- 6.1 The race area is likely to be the western end of the lake.

7. MARKS

- 7.1 The course marks will be orange pillar buoys.
- 7.2 Replacement marks will be yellow pillar buoys. When the next leg of the course is changed and signalled as described in RRS 33, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as possible.
- 7.3 Marks may be moved 100m during racing without a signal.
- 7.4 The starting mark will be a committee vessel displaying an orange flag or a dan buoy displaying an orange flag.
- 7.5 The finishing mark will be a dan buoy displaying a blue flag.

8. PROTESTS, EXONERATION PENALTIES, ADVISORY HEARINGS AND DECLARATIONS

- 8.1 Protest shall be lodged using the form that can be collected from the office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 8.2 Boats retiring from racing, or not competing in specific race should advise the office by email.
- 8.3 Requests for a boat's score to be reviewed should be emailed to the office.

9. OTHER INFORMATION

- 9.1 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE [on the flagpole next to the coxswain's garage].

A RED FLAG – no launching, if afloat together with a long sound signal from shore the lake is closing in 30 minutes and you must be ashore within this period. Repeated sounds, come ashore immediately.

A RED YELLOW FLAG means the water is closed with exceptions, see the monitor or notice boards in the Café about exceptions

A BLUE AND WHITE experienced windsurfers only (wind at 28kts or higher)

A BLACK flag indicates that wet or dry suits must be worn at all times whilst afloat

A BLUE AND GREEN flag indicates the presence of BLUE GREEN ALGAE in the reservoir and care should be taken whilst afloat and during launching and recovery of boats.

9.2 EMERGENCY MEETING POINT

If you are involved in an emergency and you need to go to or direct others (including an emergency service such as an ambulance) to the Emergency Meeting Point at the Coxswain's Shed 52° 17.49 N, 000° 18.85 W. Should aid be needed elsewhere on site, club

staff and/or volunteers will divert resources there.

If you call an emergency service, you must inform a Staff Member (Coxswain or Office) so that GWSC can invoke its Emergency Protocol.

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