



NOTICE OF RACE
OPTIMIST PRE - WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
JULY 11 – 17, 2011
CLUB NAUTICO DE SANTO DOMINGO, BOCA CHICA
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

We are proud to announce that the Dominican Republic will host the 2012 IODA World Sailing Championship as well as in 2011, the Pre-Worlds, on the same course, and at the same shore venue one year apart. For your convenience, we will be using, as an option, the same hotel and transportation services to better accommodate repeat visitors.

The Pre-Worlds event will be very useful, as it will provide a good training background for sailors, coaches and organizers who wish to come to the 2012 IODA World Sailing Championship.

Both Championships will be organized by the Club Náutico de Santo Domingo and the Asociación Dominicana de Optimist, (ADO), with the collaboration of Federación Dominicana de Vela (FDV).

It will be held in Boca Chica, Dominican Republic. The racing area will be at the Andrés Bay, and the shore venue will be the Club Náutico de Santo Domingo.

Attachment 1 shows the different locations.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE

AMENDED FEB 28, 2011

1. RULES

The event will be governed by:

- 1.1 The 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 If there is any conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
- 1.3 English shall be the Official Language for the Championship.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1 As per ISAF Regulation 20.5.3 (a), no Advertising may be displayed pursuant Regulation 20.3.2

2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The Championship is open to competitors sailing on boats of the Optimist class that fulfill the eligibility requirements stated below.

3.2 Competitors are required to be current members of the Optimist Organizing Authority for the country of their residence and have been born on or after January 1st, 1996.

3.3 The regatta will be open to all participants, but there shall be only 100 boats available for charter.

Entries will be accepted by the first come-first served basis. Charter boats will be assigned by the same principle.

4. ENTRY

4.1 Entries may be made by [contacting the organizers at jpacheco66@gmail.com](mailto:jpacheco66@gmail.com), and by sending the **required fees** to the Organizing Committee no later than April 30, 2011.

4.2 **Required fees** are described in paragraphs 5 (ENTRY FEES), 14 (SUPPORT BOATS) and 15 (CHARTER BOATS).

4.3 Competitors, team leaders and other adults (when they are members of the official delegation) shall complete an on-site registration at the Race Office.

5. ENTRY FEES

5.1 Entry fees will be USD \$250.00 per competitors and adults.

5.2 On the water meals are included in the entry fee on racing days.

5.3 Payments should be made by Bank Draft or Wire Transfer to be received by the Organizing Committee on or before April 30, 2011.

5.4 A surcharge of 20% will be charged to all late entries.

5.5 Payment instructions:

(a) Please make payments to:

FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK (WACHOVIA)

11 PENN PLAZA, 4TH FLOOR

NEW YORK, NY 10001

Tel: 1-800-922-4684

ABA: **026005092**

Swift: **PNBPUS3NNYC**

Account N°: **2000192368069 (Banco León, S. A.)**

Swift of Banco León: **NCREDOSD**

Account Number at Banco León N°: **35-251-6142536**

Account Name at Banco León: **Club Náutico de Santo Domingo**

(b) Fees must be paid in USD.

(c) Fees must be free from bank commissions. Any bank fee will be charged to the competitors.

6. FORMAT OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

6.1 If there are more than 80 sailors registered, the fleet may be divided into divisions.

6.2 The allocation to divisions will be done by the Race Committee before July 12 with the list of competitors already registered by that time. Competitors registering later will be added at the bottom of the sorted list in the order of registration.

- 6.3 The series will consist of up to 12 races for each division.
 6.4 No more than four races will be sailed on any day.

7. PROGRAM

Monday, July 11	Official Arrival Day. Registration and Sails Measurement.
Tuesday, July 12	Registration and Sails Measurement. Team Leaders meeting. Practice Race. Opening Ceremony.
Wednesday, July 13	Warning signal of first race of the day at 11.55 am
Thursday, July 14	Warning signal of first race of the day at 11.55 am
Friday, July 15	Warning signal of first race of the day at 11.55 am
Saturday, July 16	Warning signal of first race of the day at 11.55 am No more races would be started after 03.00 pm Prize giving and Closing Ceremony.
Sunday, July 17	Official Departure Day.

8. MEASUREMENT

- 8.1 Each boat shall produce a valid Registration Book and each sail shall be accompanied by the corresponding Sail Measurement Certificate (CR 2.5.6 and 6.1.4).
 8.2 Equipment may be scrutineered and may be measured by the event equipment inspector according to the Measurement Regulations and approved for compliance with the Class Rules.
 8.3 Boats chartered through the organization may carry national letters or sail numbers in contravention of the Class Rules. The national letters to be carried shall be those of the country entering the chartered boat, and the number shall consist of the number of digits equal to the most recently issued sail number in that country. All other boats shall be registered in the country of the competitor and shall carry the correct sail number for the hull.
 8.4 Class Rule CR 2.4.1 is suspended and hulls chartered through the organization shall be supplied with a Registration Book but are exempt from complying with Class Rule 2.4.3 (b) and (c).
 8.5 Sails shall have been measured before inspection at the Championship. If a sail is presented unmeasured or without the Sail Measurement Certificate, it may be measured at the Championship. Sail measurement is free of charge.
 8.6 GRP boats shall be equipped with epoxy foils. This changes class rules 3.3.1 and 3.4.1

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at registration at the venue.

10. THE COURSE

- 10.1 The course for the fleet racing will be an outer-loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 Appendix P will apply.
 11.2 An international Jury may be constituted in accordance with RRS Appendix N. Decisions of the International Jury are final as provided in rule 70.5.

12. SCORING

12.1 The low-point scoring system (RRS Appendix A) will be applied.

12.2 The series will consist of 12 races for each division, five of which are required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.3 Scoring a race: Each 'race' between two divisions (flight) will be scored as one race in which all competitors of those two divisions have entered. Allocation of points according to rule A4.2 will consider that "the number of competitors entered in the series" is the maximum number of competitors after grouping the two largest divisions. Only races that have been completed for all divisions will count.

12.4 Scoring the series:

- (a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 6 to 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

13. SAFETY

Each competitor must wear a personal flotation device (PFD) according to CR 4.2 (a), properly secured at all times while on the water except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. This changes rule 40.

14. SUPPORT BOATS

14.1 Support boats shall be registered with the Organizing Committee and used according to the following conditions:

- (a) No more than 3 persons per support boat would be permitted. Coaches can share support boats.
- (b) All support boats shall comply with the rules established by the Organizing Committee.
- (c) Fuel and other consumables shall be paid by the teams using the boat.
- (d) Coaches are encouraged to use a VHF radio. However, radios will not be provided and every coach should bring their own.

14.2 Support boats to be used during the Championship days (July 11 to July 16) are available from the Organizing Committee at the **Support boat fee** of **USD \$500.00 per boat**. The fee includes insurance coverage but does not include fuel.

14.3 Reservations of support boats shall be made by submitting the Support Boat Reservation Form and transferring the payment, both of which shall be received on or before April 30, 2011 (See paragraph 5.6 above for payment instructions).

14.4 A damage deposit of USD \$200.00 per support boat will be charged at registration and refunded at the end of the championship provided the boat is in good conditions. Should the Organizing Committee decide to deduct from the damage deposit, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the coaches are permitted to use the boat again. Any remaining deposit will be refunded at the end of the Championship.

14.5 A surcharge of 20% will be charged to late reservations and/or payments of support boats.

15. CHARTER BOATS

15.1 Charter boats are not mandatory.

15.2 All the charter boats will be provided by the Organizing Committee. They will be allocated on a random basis to individual competitors by the Organizing Committee.

15.3 Competitors shall not modify the boats or cause them to be modified in any way except that

- (a) A compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
- (b) Wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
- (c) Hulls, dagger boards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water;
- (d) Adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
- (e) All fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided that the Class Rules are complied with.

15.4 Competitors may use their own foils, spars, fittings and running rigging.

15.5 Charter boats will be complete with blocks, airbag, racing spars, racing foils, mainsheet, padded toe straps, trolley and bowlines. Bailers, paddles and sails will NOT be provided.

15.6 The **charter fee** for 6 Championship days (July 11 to July 16) will be **USD \$400.00 per boat**. Reservation of charter boats shall be made by submitting the Charter Boat Reservation Form and by transferring the total payment, both of which shall be received on or before April 30, 2011.

15.7 Late reservations and payments will incur a surcharge of 20%.

15.8 In addition to the charter fee a damage deposit of USD \$100.00 will be required on receipt of each boat, to be refunded if no damage has occurred.

16. PRIZES

16.1 The following prizes will be awarded:

- (a) Gold, silver and bronze medals to the three best placed competitors without gender distinction;
- (b) Prizes to the first fifteen competitors without gender distinction;
- (c) Prizes to the five best placed female competitors;
- (d) Prizes to the three best placed under 12 year's old competitors, (those that have been born on or after January 1st, 1999.
- (e) Prize to the youngest competitor;
- (f) Special awards to all sailor born in 1996, (those who are leaving the Optimist Class on 2011);
- (g) Other special awards.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1 Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk and responsibility. See rule 4, Decision to Race.

17.2 The Organizing Authority and any other party involved in the organization of the Championship will accept no liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, loss or claim, whether personal or material, incurred by or inflicted to competitors before, during or after the Championship.

17.3 All competitors and support staff will be required to execute liability waiver.

18. INSURANCE

18.1 Each competitor shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of USD \$300,000.00.

18.2 Insurance can be arranged with the organizers at a cost of USD \$50.00 per competitor.

9. CONTACT

19.1 For further information and queries, please contact:

E-mail:	info@optiworlds2012.org
Championship website:	www.optiworlds2012.org

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

The following information is not part of the rules for the Championship.

A. ACCOMMODATION, LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AND MEALS

A.1 *Competitors and team officials can choose among a wide variety of accommodation options. However, the Organizing Committee has secured a contract with the **all inclusive 4 - stars hotel Hamaca Be Live, located at Boca Chica, (5 minute drive from the venue), that offers a special price of USD \$250.00 per person during the period of Official Dates of the event, accommodation will be available from 02.00 PM on July 11, 2011 until 11.00 AM on July 17, 2011. This offer includes shuttle service between the hotel and the nautical venue during the official championship dates. Shuttle busses will be operating according to each day's events.***

A.2 *Packed lunches will be delivered at the nautical venue. The first official meal will be dinner on July 11, 2011 and the last official meal will be breakfast on July 17, 2011.*

A.3 *A damage deposit of USD \$100.00 per room may be charged by the hotel and will be refunded if no damage has occurred. The damage deposit and other extra charges will be paid directly to the hotel and may be paid cash or by credit card.*

A.4 *Special food can be provided if requested in advance. Please send an e-mail to make any special requests to the Organizing Committee.*

A.5 *Other recommended hotels in Boca Chica:*

- Don Juan Beach Resort: Tel: +1 809 687 9157, Fax: +1 809 688 5271: info@donjuanbeachresort.com

- Hotetur Dominican Bay: Tel: +1 809-412-2007, Fax: +1 809-412-0687, salesrd@hotetur.com

B. EARLY ARRIVALS

B.1 *Teams wishing to arrive before the official arrival date should contact the organizers.*

B.2 *Accommodation shall be booked at Hamaca Hotel Be Live through the Organizing Committee. The daily fee per person per day will be approximately USD \$70.00 per person including all meals, (all inclusive system). Shuttle service between the hotel and the nautical venue is also included.*

B.3 *Club facilities will be open from July 1.*

C. EARLY ARRIVAL SUPPORT BOATS

C.1 *It is possible to rent a support boat to be used before the Official Arrival day (from July 1 to 10) at USD \$120.00 per boat per day excluding fuel. Reservation of such boats shall be made by filling in the relevant fields in the Support Boat Reservation Form and by transferring a sum equivalent to the total amount, which shall be received on or before April 30, 2011 to guarantee rate. Allocation of early arrival support boats will be made in order of arrival.*

C.2 *Late reservations and payments of pre-Championship support boats will incur a surcharge of 20%.*

D. EARLY ARRIVAL CHARTER BOATS

D.1 *Charter boats will also be available before the Official Arrival Day (from July 1 to 10) at USD \$50.00 per boat per day. Competitors arriving before July 1 will be able to train on club owned boats at a cost of USD \$50.00 per boat per day. These boats will be available anytime. Reservations of pre-Championship charter boats shall be made by filling in the relevant fields in the Charter Boat Reservation Form.*

D.2 *Late reservations and payments of pre-Championship charter boats will incur a surcharge of 20%.*

E. TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT

E.1 Free of charge transportation to and from Las Americas International Airport will be provided on official arrival and departure days.

E.2 On other days the cost will be USD 35 per minibus for 6 people each way.

F. SUPPORTERS

Supporters are encouraged to entry the event, and will have all the same conditions of other adults, (coaches and team leaders).

G. SOCIAL EVENTS

To enhance the friendship between the competitors and to make their stay in DR more enjoyable, appropriate social events will be organized. Casual attire.

H. MISCELLANEOUS

H.1 A competitor per country is kindly requested to bring its own National Flag (100cm x 150cm) and the National Anthem recorded on CD.

H.2 There are no medical precautions that need to be taken entering Dominican Republic.

I. SAILING CONDITIONS

<i>Daytime temperature</i>	<i>Variable: 28-32°C</i>
<i>Water temperature</i>	<i>30°C</i>
<i>Prevailing wind direction</i>	<i>130 - 180 °</i>
<i>Wind speed</i>	<i>8 to 18 knots</i>
<i>Tides</i>	<i>30-50 cms</i>
<i>Current</i>	<i>Rare, 0.5 – 1.5 knots</i>

J. VISA REQUIREMENTS

A USD \$10.00 immigration visa must be paid by visitors at the airport when arriving. Some countries are exonerated of this requirement.

Delegations shall contact a Dominican Embassy or Consulate in their country to get the latest visa requirements.

K. SPECTATOR BOATS

There should be spectator boats with limited availability at no cost. Daily register may be required.

L. CHANDLERY AND REPAIRS

Chandlery and repairs will be available at the shore venue.

M. AVAILABLE COACH

A recognized coach would be available for sailors who want to come alone. Contact the Organizing Committee for further information.

N. CLINIC

The recognized coach Martin Jenkins, two times Optimist World Champion, will be offering an Optimist Clinic just after the Pre-Worlds Regatta, from July 17 to July 20, 2011.

Sailors and coaches are welcome.

Fee: USD \$100 per day including optimist and lunch.

Contact the Organizing Committee for further information.

M. SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

ITEM	COST	OBS.		DATE
Required fees			NOR	
Entry fee per competitor	USD 250		5.1	April 30
Entry fee per adult	USD 250		5.1	April 30
Support boat fee	USD 500 per boat	Fuel not included.	14.2	April 30
Damage deposit per support boat	USD 200 per boat	Refundable.	14.4	
Charter Optimist fee	USD 400 per boat		15.6	
Charter Optimist damage deposit	USD 100 per boat	Refundable.	15.8	
Surcharge	20%	For late payments.	5.4, 14.5, 15.7	
Additional optional fees			Add. Info.	
Accommodation	USD 250 per person per complete Championship period	For Official dates, July 11 until July 17, 2011. Local shuttle service included	A1	
Accommodation	Approx USD 70 per person per day	For early arrivals. Local shuttle service included	B1	
Charter Optimist fee	USD 50 per boat per day	For early arrivals.	D1	
Support boat	USD 120 per boat per day	For early arrivals. Fuel not included.	C1	
Transportation	USD 35 Per Mini Bus for 6 people	Each way.	E2	
Surcharge	20%	For late payments.	C2, D2	

APPENDIX 1: Racing area and Venue

