



IODA SOUTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP year

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IODA STANDARD SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

Effective March 4 2010

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Championship is organised by the club or association in conjunction with the IODA member under the authority of the International Optimist Dinghy Association (IODA) and with the permission of the MNA.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The current Conditions of the IODA will apply.
- 1.3 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 Spanish shall be the official language for the Championship. However, if there is a conflict between languages about documents originally written in English, the English text will take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

All notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located indicate location

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SI will be posted before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4. BOATS

- 4.1 Charter boats are MANDATORY / NOT MANDATORY. Competitors M-shall use these boats / NM-sailing with charter boats shall use these boats according to paragraph 15 of the Notice of Race (NoR). Except for the foils, spars, fittings and running rigging, all equipment provided with the charter boats for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat. Use the wording indicated with M when boats are mandatory; use the wording indicated with NM when boats are not mandatory.
- 4.2 Competitors NM-sailing with charter boats (delete if charter boats are mandatory) shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the Organizing Authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore.
- 4.3 Failure or loss of chartered equipment shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the official flagpole located indicate location. When a signal is displayed over a division flag it applies to that division only.
- 5.2 Flag D with a sound signal means: 'the warning signal will be made not less than 60 (depends on the distance to racing area) minutes after flag D is displayed.' Boats shall not leave their berthing places until this signal is made.
- 5.3 Flag B displayed means that instruction 19.3 applies.

6. FORMAT OF RACING

- 6.1 Practice Race
The fleet will be divided into two divisions as follows:

Start	Competitors	Class flag
1st start	Boats with an odd sail number (ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, 9)	Yellow
2nd start	Boats with an even sail number (ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, 8)	White

- 6.2 Individual South American Championship (ISAM)
 - (a) Divisions: The fleet will be divided into six divisions for the whole duration of the championship.



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- (b) **Identification of divisions:** All boats shall display a coloured ribbon (corresponding to the colour of each division flag) permanently fixed and free to fly from the top of the sprit. These ribbons will be provided by the Race Office.
- (c) **Allocation to divisions:** Boats will be sorted by alphabetical order of the national letters and then by numerical order of the sail numbers (within the alphabetical order).
Then, the seeding of the boats in the six divisions will be done as follows: the first boat of the sorted list will be allocated a number between 1 and 6 (to be drawn by lot) and the rest of the boats will be allocated numbers in a sequential order, each number representing each division. (For example if the number for the first boat is 2, the first 8 boat will be allocated numbers 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 1, 2, 3). The seeding will be done as soon as possible after the completion of the registration.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 Programme:

Day 1	Official Arrival Day. Registration and Measurement.
Day 2	Registration and Measurement.
Day 3	Registration and Measurement. Practice Race.
Day 4	Optimist Individual South American Championship, Races.
Day 5	Optimist Individual South American Championship, Races.
Day 6	Optimist Individual South American Championship, Races.
Day 7	Optimist Team Racing South American Championship (TRSAM). Optimist Nations Cup (NC).
Day 8	Rest / Spare Day.
Day 9	Optimist Individual South American Championship, Races.
Day 10	Optimist Individual South American Championship, Races.
Day 11	Official Departure Day.

7.2 Number of Races:

- (a) The total number of races scheduled for the ISAM is 12 races, with 1 to 3 races per day. Attachment 3 shows the starting schedule.
- (b) One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no division becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to instruction 3.
- (c) The spare day may be used to complete the TRSAM and/or the NC.

7.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1200 hours, except that on Day 3 the warning signal for the practice race will be at 1300 hours.

7.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange flag defining the starboard end of the starting line will be displayed, with one sound signal, for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

7.5 On Day 10 no warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

8. CLASS FLAGS

For each start, the *Class Flag* (RRS 26) will be the two flags of the divisions to be started, with colours according to the following table:

Division	Flag
1	White
2	Pink
3	Red
4	Green
5	Blue



9. RACING AREA

Attachment 1 shows the location of the racing area.

10. THE COURSE

The diagram in Attachment 2 shows the course for the ISAM, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

11. MARKS

- 11.1 Marks 1, 2, 3S and 3P will be **indicate shape and colour**.
- 11.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 13.1, will be **indicate shape and colour**.
- 11.3 The starting and finishing marks will be Race Committee boats in both ends of the starting and finishing lines.
- 11.4 A Race Committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 13.

12. THE START

- 12.1 Attachment 3 shows the scheduled times and the order in which starts will be made.
- 12.2 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- 12.3 Individual recalls will be made in accordance with rule 29.1 except that flag X will be displayed for up to 2 minutes. This changes rule 29.1.
- 12.4 Once the starting sequence for the first two divisions (e.g. 1A or 2A or 3A) has started, all boats from other divisions shall wait inside the waiting area. The waiting area windward boundary will be designated by **indicate shape and colour** buoys. Boats may approach the starting line only after the starting signal of the previous divisions has been made and no individual or general recall has been signalled. If an individual recall has been signaled, boats may approach the line only after the X flag has been removed. Boats that have finished shall return directly to the waiting area or ashore, keeping well clear of all boats racing and of all boats whose warning signal has been made.
- 12.5 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rules A4 and A5.

13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.
- 13.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the Race Committee boat signalling the change of course and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the Race Committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

14. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the finishing marks.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired according to rule 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the Race Office within the protest time limit.
- 15.2 The penalty for breaches of Class Rules, Sailing Instructions 4.1, 4.2, 6.2(b), 12.4, 15.1, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25 and 26 and Notice of Race paragraph 15.3 may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.
- 15.3 Appendix P will apply.
- 15.4 In addition to taking action in accordance with Appendix P, if a member of the jury sees a boat breaking a rule they may make a sound signal but her sail number will not be hailed. If the appropriate penalty is not taken the Jury may protest one or more boats.
- 15.5 The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under instruction 15.2 will be DPI.



16. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

16.1 Time limits and target times (in minutes) are as follows:

Time limit	Mark 1 time limit	Target time
90	30	50

16.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

16.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

17.1 Rule 61.1 "Informing the Protestee" is amended as per NOR 1.5. To inform the Race Committee of the boat/s being protested, the protesting boat shall approach the Race Committee boat at the starboard end of the line and shall hail the protested boat's sail number/s while sailing along the starboard side of the mentioned Race Committee vessel.

17.2 Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

17.3 The protest time limit is **90 (depends on distance to race area)** minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day, or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

17.4 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Jury Room located in the **indicate location**. No protest hearing will be started after **2200**.

17.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Jury will be posted in the official notice board to inform competitors according to rule 61.1(b).

17.6 A list of boats that, under instruction 15.3, have been penalised for breaking rule 42 will be posted on the official notice board.

17.7 For the purpose of measurement rule protests (rule 64.3 (b)) the 'authority responsible' is the IODA Technical Committee representative.

17.8 Breaches of instructions 4.1, 4.2, 6.2(b), 12.4, 15.1, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25 and 26 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).

17.9 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered (the following changes rule 66):

- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

17.10 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

17.11 Teams' scores mentioned in paragraph 6.3(b) of the NoR will be based on the ranking available at **2100** on the day prior to the team racing **regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided**.

17.12 Decisions of the Jury are final as provided in RRS 70.5.

18. SCORING

18.1 Race scores:

- (a) Each race of two divisions will be scored as one race in which all competitors of those two divisions have entered. Allocation of points according to RRS 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.
- (b) For overall scoring purposes, a race will be defined as ONE COMPLETED RACE FOR ALL 6 DIVISIONS in the sequential numbering of races in Attachment 3. (Example: Race 3 is not completed until all 3A, 3B and 3C have been completed.) Therefore only races which have been completed for all 6 divisions will count towards the overall scoring.

18.2 Series scores:

- (a) 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- (b) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.



- (c) When from 6 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (d) When 11 or 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 18.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted races or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available at the Race Office. When the error concerns any of the races on which the seeding for the TR is based, instruction 17.11 applies.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible and shall also fill in the relevant form available at the Race Office.
- 19.2 Each day of competition, before flag D is displayed, the Coaches or Team Leaders shall notify the Race Office of the boats not intending to race that day.
- 19.3 When code flag B is displayed ashore each Coach or Team Leader shall sign the checklist within 45 (depends on distance to race area) minutes after the flag has been displayed, to indicate that all team members have returned to shore. Flag B will be displayed when the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race is abandoned.
- 19.4 Competitors who require assistance should blow a whistle or wave the paddle or one arm. The Race Committee reserves the right to assist competitors who in its opinion require assistance, regardless of the wishes of the competitor. This will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

20. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 20.2 Substitution of damaged equipment may be permitted providing that the relevant form has been filled in at the Race Office, the damaged equipment has been checked by the Measurement Sub-Committee and the substituting equipment has been inspected by the Measurement Sub-Committee.
- 20.3 If the substitution was made on the water between races, both the damaged and the substituting pieces of equipment shall be presented to the Measurement Sub-Committee after the end of the day's racing. In this case, the substitution is subject to the approval of the Race Committee given retrospectively.

21. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules, the NoR and the SI. The top ten finishing boats at every race shall sail to the Equipment Inspector boat (displaying a white flag marked with black "M") at the starboard side of the finishing line. No adjustments shall be made on the boat before the measurement inspection.
- 21.2 Sails measuring to the maximum limits while scrutineered during the measurement days may be scrutineered again on the spare day.

22. OFFICIAL AND ACCREDITED BOATS

- 22.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:

Race Committee signals vessel	White flag marked with black 'RC'
All other Race Committee boats	Yellow flag marked with black 'RC'
Jury Boat	Black flag marked with white 'J'
Rescue Boat	Yellow flag
Equipment Inspector Boats	White flag marked with black 'M'
Support and Coaches boats	White flag marked with black National Letters (RRS G1)

- 22.2 Accredited boats will be marked as follows:

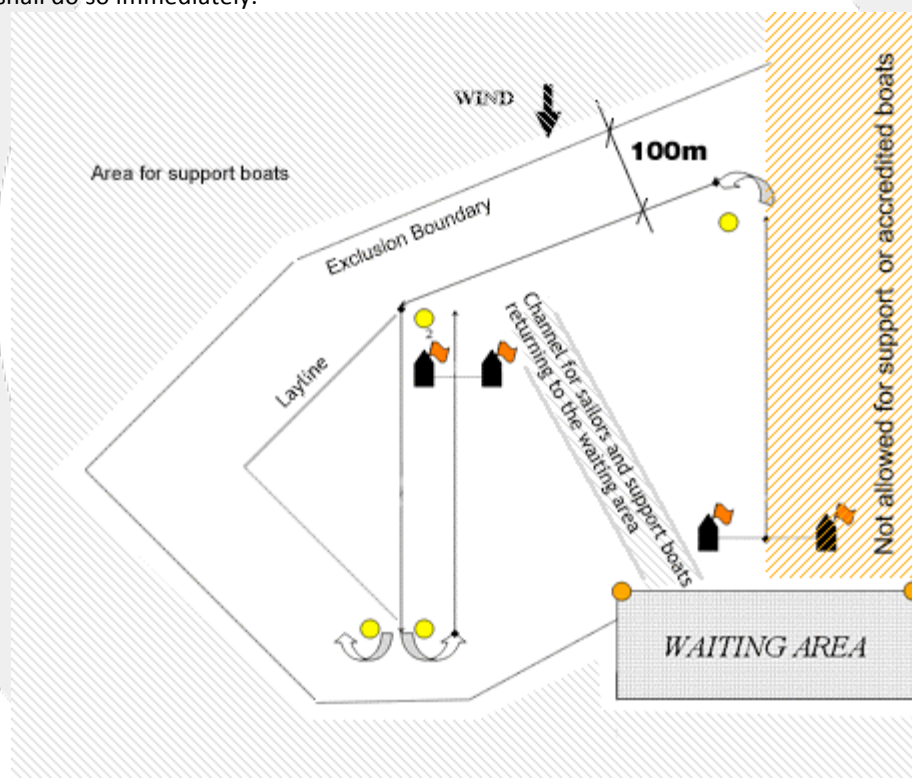


Press, spectators and VIP boats

Green flag

23. SUPPORT BOATS

23.1 Team Leaders, Coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal for a division's race until all boats in all divisions have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. To observe the race, support boats will be able to move from leeward to windward through the port side of the course keeping well clear of the exclusion boundary, approximately 100 metres outside of the course area. Support boats may also go to the finishing line from the waiting area through the centre channel. (See Chart below). Race Committee vessels may indicate a support boat to move further from the course area, in which case the mentioned boat shall do so immediately.



23.2 The penalty for failing to comply with paragraph 14 of the NoR and/or instruction 23.1 may result in the disqualification (from the race/s in which the infringement took place) of all boats associated with the infringing boat or other penalty at the discretion of the Jury.

23.3 Competitors shall not approach any vessel other than an official boat (instruction 22.1) from their first warning signal of the day until they finish their last race for the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

24. BEHAVIOUR

Team members and officials shall observe the regulations of the host club and the house rules of the hotel and shall behave correctly at all times. Bad behaviour at any time, whether on shore or afloat, with or without any damage to the facilities, may be investigated by the Jury, who may call a hearing and impose a scoring penalty when appropriate.

25. TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and Race Committee boats.

26. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.



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27. PRIZES

- 27.1 For the ISAM, prizes will be awarded at least:
- (a) To the 15 best-placed competitors, regardless of their continent of residence and without gender distinction;
 - (b) To the 5 best-placed female competitors, regardless of the continent of residence;
 - (c) To the 3 best-placed competitors whose IODA member is South American, without gender distinction. The first of these 3 competitors becomes the **year** South American Champion and will be awarded the permanent trophy. This trophy shall be returned to the organisers of the **year + 1** event.
- 27.2 For the team racing events, a medal will be awarded to each member of the following teams:
- (a) The three best placed teams in the Optimist Team Racing South American Championship. The first of these teams will be the **year** South American Team Champion;
 - (b) The three best placed teams in the Optimist South American Nations Cup.
- 27.3 More prizes may be awarded at the criteria of the Organising Committee.

28. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 28.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and responsibility. See rule 4, Decision to Race.
- 28.2 The Organising 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 participants before, during or after the Championship.
- 28.3 All competitors and support staff will be required to execute liability waiver.

29. INSURANCE

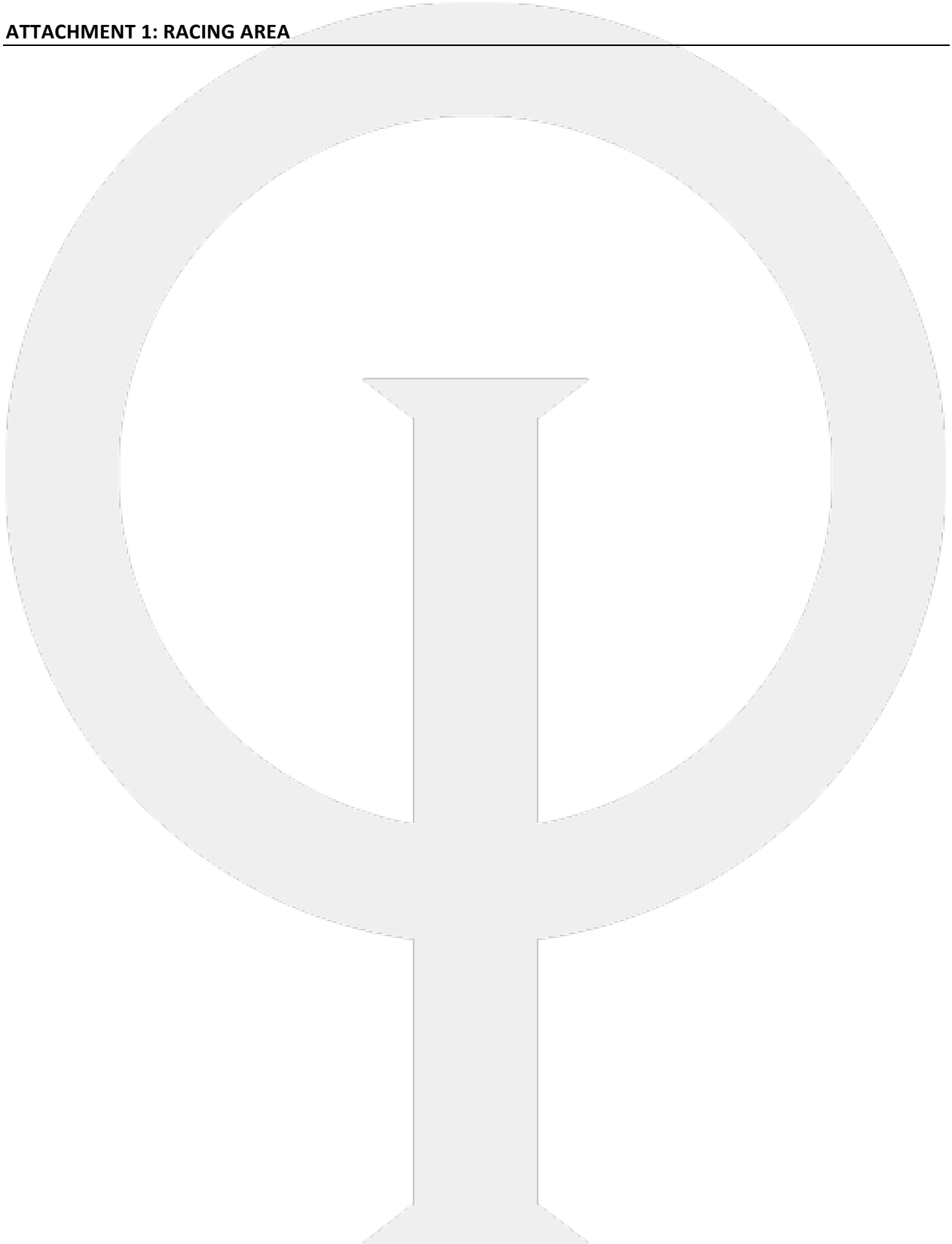
- 29.1 Each participant **shall / should (shall: when organisers provide coverage; should: when they do not)** be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of USD 300,000.
- 29.2 **Delete this instruction if organisers do not provide insurance.** Competitors unable to contract the insurance in their country may contract it through the organisation at **indicate fee** per competitor.



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ATTACHMENT 1: RACING AREA



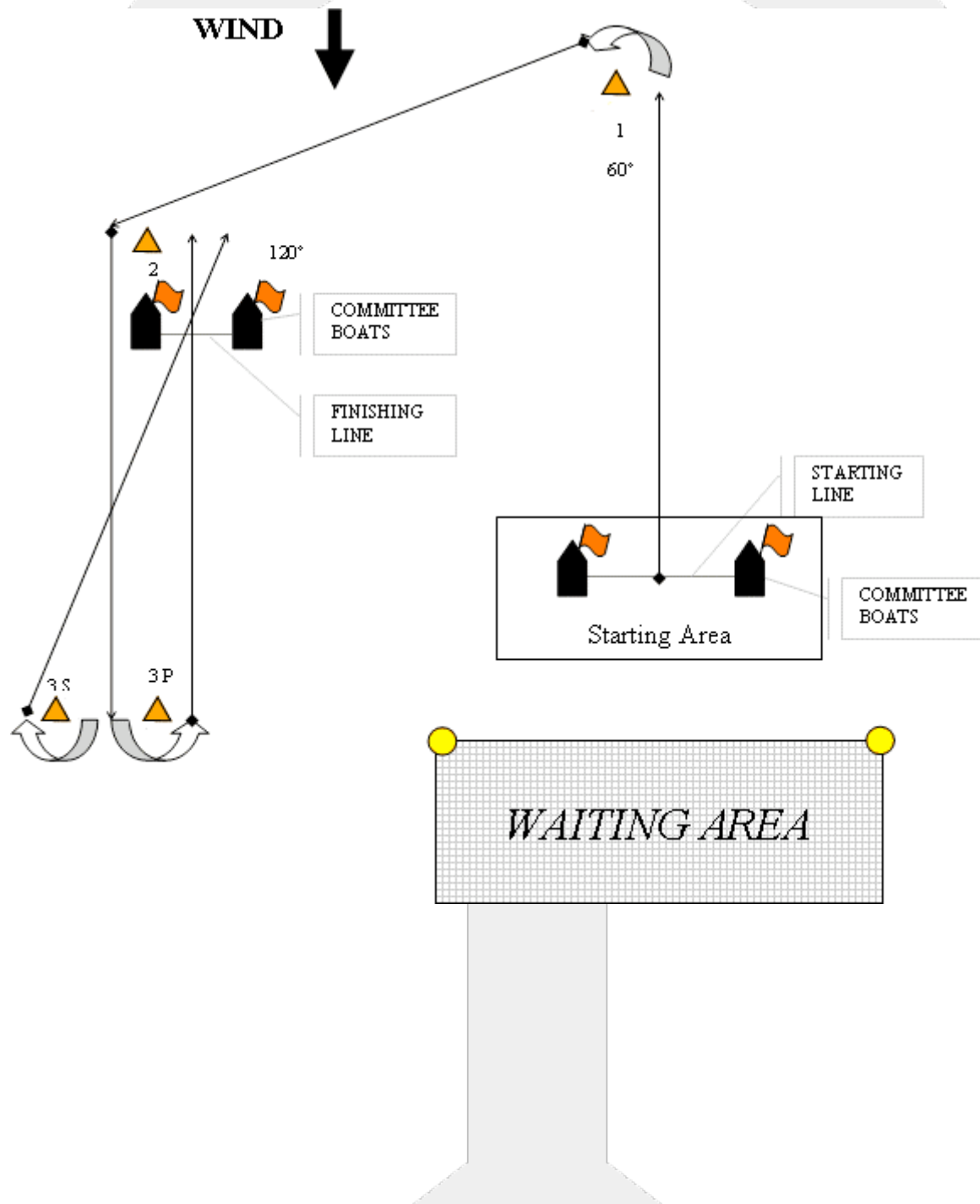


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ATTACHMENT 2: THE COURSE

Course configuration: Start – 1 – 2 – Gate (3S – 3P) – Finish.
Marks 1, 2 and 3P shall be left to port; mark 3S to starboard.
Angles are approximate.





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ATTACHMENT 3: THE STARTING SCHEDULE

Date	Race	Division	Starting Signal
Day 3	Practice Race 1 st start	Boats with odd sail numbers	1300
	Practice Race 2 nd start	Boats with even sail numbers	a.s.a.p. *
Day 4	1A	1 (white) & 6 (yellow)	1200
	1B	2 (pink) & 5 (blue)	a.s.a.p.
	1C	3 (red) & 4 (green)	a.s.a.p.
	2A	1 (white) & 5 (blue)	a.s.a.p.
	2B	6 (yellow) & 4 (green)	a.s.a.p.
	2C	2 (pink) & 3 (red)	a.s.a.p.
Day 5	3A	1 (white) & 4 (green)	1200
	3B	5 (blue) & 3 (red)	a.s.a.p.
	3C	6 (yellow) & 2 (pink)	a.s.a.p.
	4A	1 (white) & 3 (red)	a.s.a.p.
	4B	4 (green) & 2 (pink)	a.s.a.p.
	4C	5 (blue) & 6 (yellow)	a.s.a.p.
	5A	1 (white) & 2 (pink)	a.s.a.p.
	5B	3 (red) & 6 (yellow)	a.s.a.p.
	5C	4 (green) & 5 (blue)	a.s.a.p.
Day 6	6A	3 (red) & 2 (pink)	1200
	6B	4 (green) & 1 (white)	a.s.a.p.
	6C	5 (blue) & 6 (yellow)	a.s.a.p.
	7A	3 (red) & 1 (white)	a.s.a.p.
	7B	2 (pink) & 6 (yellow)	a.s.a.p.
	7C	4 (green) & 5 (blue)	a.s.a.p.
	8A	3 (red) & 6 (yellow)	a.s.a.p.
	8B	1 (white) & 5 (blue)	a.s.a.p.
	8C	2 (pink) & 4 (green)	a.s.a.p.
	9A	3 (red) & 5 (blue)	1200
Day 9	9B	6 (yellow) & 4 (green)	a.s.a.p.
	9C	1 (white) & 2 (pink)	a.s.a.p.
	10A	3 (red) & 4 (green)	a.s.a.p.
	10B	5 (blue) & 2 (pink)	a.s.a.p.
	10C	6 (yellow) & 1 (white)	a.s.a.p.
	11A	5 (blue) & 4 (green)	a.s.a.p.
	11B	6 (yellow) & 3 (red)	a.s.a.p.
11C	1 (white) & 2 (pink)	a.s.a.p.	
Day 10	12A	5 (blue) & 3 (red)	1200
	12B	4 (green) & 2 (pink)	a.s.a.p.
	12C	6 (yellow) & 1 (white)	a.s.a.p.

* a.s.a.p.:as soon as practical