



# IODA NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2009

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## PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

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### ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA)

The Championship is organised by the Asociación Dominicana de Optimist, Inc. (ADO) under the authority of the International Optimist Dinghy Association (IODA) and with the permission of the Federación Dominicana de Vela, Inc.

#### 1. VENUE

- 1.1 The 2009 IODA North American Championship will be held from June 30<sup>th</sup> to July 8<sup>th</sup> 2009 in Boca Chica, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. The racing area will be in the Andres Bay and the shore venue will be the Hotetur Dominican Bay Hotel, both in Boca Chica, D.R.
- 1.2 Attachment 1 shows the location of the regatta harbour and the racing area.

#### 2. RULES

- 2.1 The Championship will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including Appendix D for the Team Racing North American Championship, as amended by the relevant Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 The current Conditions of the IODA will apply.
- 2.3 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 2.4 RRS 61.1 "Informing the Protestee" is amended as follows:
  - (a) The first paragraph of 61.1(a) ("A boat intending ... However, ") is deleted and replaced by:  
"A boat intending to protest shall inform the other boat at the first reasonable opportunity. When her protest concerns an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees, she shall hail 'Protest' and conspicuously display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity for each. She shall display the flag until she is no longer racing and shall inform the Race Committee of the boat/s being protested immediately after finishing. However, "
  - (b) Sub clause 61.1(a)(2) ("if the hull ... red flag;") is deleted.

#### 3. LANGUAGE

English shall be the Official Language for the Championship.

#### 4. ADVERTISING

The event is designated Category A, ISAF Regulation 20. All competitors may be required to display advertising of the event sponsors on each side of the hull in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3(d)(i).

#### 5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 Competitors shall enter only through the national association member of IODA (hereinafter 'member') they represent. No entries will be accepted if not made by a member.
- 5.2 Each American (North or South) member of IODA may enter a team of 4 sailors born in 1994 or later with no gender restrictions. (North and South American members as per Appendix A of the IODA Administrative Handbook. Countries geographically partly in America but politically in Europe shall be considered to be American in respect of sailors residents of America). See also condition 10.1 of the Conditions for the IODA Continental Championships.
- 5.3 The following countries may enter more sailors, up to the following maximums (see 5.8 for gender restrictions): Dominican Republic (host Nation), 14; USA, 19; Mexico and Brazil, 18; Argentina, 15; Peru, 13; Ecuador, 10; Canada, 9; Netherlands Antilles, 8; Puerto Rico, 7; Bermuda, 6; Guatemala and Chile, 5.
- 5.4 Up to four members from outside of America may enter a team of four sailors. Each of these members should represent one continent. To be eligible to enter, members must have qualified in the first half of the ranking of the MHT of 2008 and must have returned the preliminary entry form before February 15<sup>th</sup> 2009.  
Of all the applications received:



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- (a) For each continent, only the member with the best scores in the ranking of the MHT will enter.
- (b) If there are four continents represented, the relevant best four teams may enter.
- (c) If there are three or less continents represented, only three members from outside of America may enter, with the priority given to the best team in each continent. However, if by March 25 2009 any of the members have entered fewer than three sailors, another member (only one) of the same continent may enter a team of four sailors provided that the max number of 16 sailors for members from outside of America is not exceeded. If that happens - another member enter four sailors -, the member that have entered fewer than 3 will not be allowed to enter more sailors than the number they have entered by March 25 2009.
- (d) If there are less than three continents represented, the remaining places (up to 12 in total for non-Americans) will be allocated to other non-American members that have applied to enter, according to the priority given by the order of their places in the ranking of the MHT.
- (e) If no member from outside of America apply, the 16 spots will be allocated to the members of America that have requested extra spots, as stated in 5.5 below.
- 5.5 American members seeking additional places must request them with the first entry form before February 15<sup>th</sup> 2009 and a booking deposit of USD 100 per additional sailor. This amount will not be refunded if the additional places are allocated by the OA but not accepted by the member.
- 5.6 In the event that by February 15<sup>th</sup> 2009 the number of registered and paid American sailors is less than 182, the available places will be allocated by the IODA Executive Committee to the **American members** that have requested them, according primarily to their average participation in 2007 and 2008 World and North American Championships. Places allocated in this way must be confirmed by registration and payment by March 1<sup>st</sup> 2009.
- 5.7 **The places allocated to non-American members (up to 16 depending on the number of continents entered)** according to 5.4 above shall be paid on or before March 1st 2009. If no payment is made the remaining places will go to the other non-American countries that have requested places but if by March 15th no payment has been received, the remaining spots originally reserved for non-American countries will be allocated to American countries.
- 5.8 Members entering teams with more than 9 sailors and up to the maximums specified above (paragraphs 5.3 to 5.5) shall register a minimum number of sailors of the opposite gender equal to 25% of the total number of sailors, as follows:
- teams of 10 to 12 sailors, 3;
  - teams of 13 to 16 sailors, 4;
  - teams of 17 to 20 sailors, 5;
  - teams of 21 to 24 sailors, 6;
  - teams of 25 to 28 sailors, 7;
  - teams of 29 and 30 sailors, 8.
- 5.9 Entries are limited to 198 sailors.
- 5.10 Each team shall be accompanied by one Team Leader and may be accompanied by either two or three more adults, depending on the number of sailors. A maximum of four adults including the Team Leader shall be allowed only for teams with 10 or more sailors. (Condition 15.1 of the Conditions for Continental Championships)
- 5.11 Competitors shall be either national or bona fide residents of the country they represent, unless otherwise agreed by the IODA Executive Committee. A competitor who has represented one country at an IODA World or Continental Championship shall not represent another member country except in cases of alteration of residence, which cases shall be approved by the IODA Executive Committee.
- 5.12 Attention is drawn to ISAF Regulations relative to the ISAF World Youth Championship (change of nationality).

## 6. ENTRY

- 6.1 Entries shall be made by sending in to the Organising Committee the attached official forms together with the **required fees** according to the following schedule:
- The Preliminary Entry Form shall be returned to the Organising Committee not later than February 15<sup>th</sup> 2009 (or March 1<sup>st</sup> for non-American members and additional places).
  - The Second Entry Form shall be returned to the Organising Committee not later than April 15<sup>th</sup> 2009.
  - The Final Entry Form shall be returned to the Organising Committee as soon as the members of the delegation are defined but not later than May 30<sup>th</sup> 2009.



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- 6.2 **Required fees** (in **bold italic underline** type) are described in paragraphs 7 (ENTRY FEES), 16 (SUPPORT BOATS) and 17 (CHARTER BOATS).
- 6.3 Competitors and team officials shall complete an on-site registration at the Registration Office. The on-site registration of each competitor will not be completed until the measurement form issued by the Measurement Sub-Committee (see paragraph 10) has been returned to the Registration Office.

## 7. ENTRY FEES

- 7.1 **Entry fees** will be **USD 600 per sailor** and **USD 625 per adult** (maximum four for teams with more than 10 sailors - see NoR 5.10)
- 7.2 Accommodation, meals and local transportation are included in the entry fee for the duration of the Championship (from the Official Arrival day to the Official Departure day inclusive)
- 7.3 Fees Payable:
- (a) A first deposit of 50% of the total fees shall be made by Bank Draft or Wire Transfer, to be received by the Organising Committee on or before February 15<sup>th</sup> 2009 (or March 1<sup>st</sup> for non-American countries and additional places).
- (b) A final deposit of the balance of the fees shall be made by Bank Draft or Wire Transfer, to be received by the Organising Committee on or before April 15<sup>th</sup> 2009.
- 7.4 A surcharge of 20% will be charged to all late entries.
- 7.5 Competitors entering and withdrawing their entry no later than April 15<sup>th</sup> 2009 will be refunded 80% of the entry fee (except for any bank cost incurred due to the refund). Competitors entering and withdrawing their entry no later than May 30<sup>th</sup> 2009 will be refunded 50% of the entry fee (except for any bank cost incurred due to the refund). Competitors withdrawing their entry later than May 30<sup>th</sup> 2009 will not be refunded. The same schedule applies for any payment made according to paragraphs 16 and 17.
- 7.6 Payment instructions:
- (a) Please make payments to

INTERMEDIARY BANK:	The Bank of New York
ADDRESS	One Wall Street, 9th Floor. New York, N,Y, 10286.
ABA	021000018
BENEFICIARY BANK	Banco Popular Dominicano
ADDRESS	Ave J.F Kennedy esq. Ave Maximo Gomez Torre Popular, Santo Domingo, Rep. Dom.
SWIFT	BPDODOSX
BENEFICIARY NAME	Asociación Dominicana de Optimist, Inc.
BENEFICIARY ACCOUNT No:	729-61785-2

- (b) Fees must be paid in USD.
- (c) Fees must be free from bank commissions. Any bank fee will be charged to the competitors.

## 8. FORMAT OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

- 8.1 The IODA North American Championship is made up of two events:
- (a) The INDIVIDUAL NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP (INAM);
- (b) The TEAM RACING NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP (TRNAM).
- 8.2 INAM:
- (a) The entire fleet will be divided into 6 divisions (as far as possible with the same number of boats) each of which will sail at least once, and if conditions permit, 2 or 3 times with each of the other divisions.
- (b) The allocation to divisions shall be done by the Race Committee at 1200 on July 1<sup>st</sup> with the list of sailors already registered by that time. Sailors registering later will be added at the bottom of the sorted list in the order of registration.
- (c) No more than four races will be sailed on any day.
- 8.3 TRNAM:
- (a) After the first 5 races sailed in the INAM the total points of the 4 sailors with the best cumulative results from each country will be added to give a total score for the first team of each country. The total points of the following 4 sailors with the best cumulative results from each country will be added to give a total score for the second team of each country; and the



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total points of the following 4 sailors with the best cumulative results from each country will be added to give a total score for the third team of each country. These team scores will be according to the results available at 2000 on the day before the TRNAM *regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided.*

- (b) In the event of less than 5 races being complete before July 4<sup>th</sup> completion of the 5 races will take priority. The team racing will be held on July 4<sup>th</sup> after the individual races remaining to complete 5 are finished, and on July 5<sup>th</sup> if necessary.
- (c) Up to sixteen teams may participate, selected on the following basis:
  - i. If there are sixteen or more member countries represented by at least four sailors, the sixteen member countries with the best placed first teams, according to priority shown in 8.3.a, may enter one team.
  - ii. If there are less than sixteen countries represented by at least four sailors, every member country may enter a team. Remaining places are allocated to teams of North American member countries in the order of the points of their second and third teams, following the priorities in 8.3.a.
  - iii. If, after (i) and (ii), sixteen teams have not yet qualified, other non North American member countries may enter a team according to priorities in 8.3.a.
- (d) No country may enter more than three teams.
- (e) In every case, the grid is drawn following the cumulative results after the first five races of each group of four sailors as mentioned in 8.3.a.

## 9. PROGRAM

Tuesday, June 30	Official Arrival Day. Registration and Measurement. Official accommodation available after 15.00hrs. Opening Ceremony.
Wednesday, July 1	Registration and Measurement. Team Leaders meeting. Practice Race.
Thursday, July 2	Individual North American Championship, Races.
Friday, July 3	Individual North American Championship, Races.
Saturday, July 4	Team Racing North American Championship.
Sunday, July 5	Rest / Spare Day
Monday, July 6	Individual North American Championship, Races.
Tuesday, July 7	Individual North American Championship, Races. Prize giving and Closing Ceremony.
Wednesday, July 8	Official Departure Day.

## 10. MEASUREMENT

- 10.1 Competitors are allowed to use only one hull, dagger board, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit and sail during the Regatta. These parts of the equipment will be scrutineered and may be measured by the Measurement Sub-Committee according to the Measurement Regulations, and approved by this Sub-Committee to be complying with the Class Rules.
- 10.2 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.
- 10.3 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 scrutineered by the Measurement Sub-Committee.
- 10.4 If the substitution was made on the water between races, both the damaged and the substituting pieces of equipment should 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.
- 10.5 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.



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- 10.6 Hulls officially chartered through the Organising Committee shall be supplied with a Registration Book but are exempt from complying with Class Rule 2.4.3 (b) and (c) and hence from CR 2.4.1.
- 10.7 Sails measuring to the maximum limits during the measurement days may be scrutineered again on the spare day.
- 10.8 Sails to be used during the event shall have been measured before scrutineering at the event. If a sail is presented unmeasured, it will be measured at the event at a cost of USD 50, payable to IODA. Measurement of country letters and sail numbers is available for free.
- 10.9 GRP boats shall be equipped with epoxy foils.

## 11. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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- 11.1 Sailing instructions will be available at registration at the venue.

## 12. THE COURSE

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

## 13. PENALTY SYSTEM

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- 13.1 Appendix P will apply for the INAM (as indicated in the SI).
- 13.2 An international Jury will be constituted in accordance with RRS Appendix N. Decisions of the International Jury are final as provided in rule 70.4.
- 13.3 Races of the TRNAM will be umpired. Appendix D will apply with the modifications stated in the Team Racing Sailing Instructions.

## 14. SCORING

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- 14.1 For the INAM, five races for each division are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2 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 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 which have been completed for all 6 divisions will count.
- 14.3 Each boat’s total score will be the sum of her scores for all races except that when 11 races have been completed, her two worst scores shall be excluded or, if only 6 or more but less than 11 races have been completed, her single worst score shall be excluded.
- 14.4 The scoring system for the TRNAM will be described in the Team Racing Sailing Instructions.

## 15. SAFETY

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- 15.1 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 RRS 40.
- 15.2 Each boat shall have on board a paddle securely attached to the hull by a lanyard or elastic cord (CR 4.3.c). The blade surface of such paddle shall not be less than 0.025 square meters. Each competitor shall carry a whistle securely attached to the personal buoyancy device (CR 4.2.a). Competitors not complying with this instruction will be attributed a penalty of 5 points for each race of the day on which they have failed to observe this instruction, sailed prior to the inspection.

## 16. SUPPORT BOATS

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- 16.1 Team support boats shall be registered with the Organising Committee and used according to the following conditions:
- (a) Each boat shall display white flags bearing the three letter national code of the countries it supports, which will be supplied by the Organising Committee.
  - (b) From June 30<sup>th</sup>, each boat shall meet the requirements in 16.2 and 16.3.
  - (c) All support boats shall comply with the rules established by the Organising Committee.
  - (d) Fuel and other consumables will be paid by the teams using the boat.
- 16.2 The maximum number of adults per team allowed on the water in support boats (hereinafter ‘coaches’) at any one time shall be



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- (a) Teams comprising 10 or fewer sailors: one coach.
  - (b) Teams comprising 11 to 20 sailors: two coaches.
  - (c) Teams comprising 21 or more sailors: three coaches.
- 16.3 Each support boat shall contain at least two coaches at all times. The Organising Committee will allocate places in support boats to coaches, subject to the above limits, who have reserved them (see 16.4) at its absolute discretion. If a team is entitled to and enters more than one coach, two of these coaches may be allocated to the same boat.
- 16.4 Teams wishing to have places on chartered support boats shall pay for each such place a fee of USD 550 (50% of the charter fee for the boat) according to the schedule of payments in 16.5. If the situation demands that more than two coaches share a boat, the cost of renting the boat for the regatta days will be divided by the number of coaches, in which case the difference (between the 50% required and the actual percentage) will be refunded at the end of the event at the latest.
- 16.5 The charter fee for the support boats to be used during the Regatta (June 30<sup>th</sup> to July 8<sup>th</sup>) is USD 1100 per boat. For each place on a support boat, reservations shall be made by returning to the Organising Committee the Support Boat Reservation Form accompanied by a first payment covering 50% of the total amount to be paid (depending on the number of places to be booked, see paragraphs 16.3 and 16.4) which shall be received on or before February 15<sup>th</sup> 2009 (or March 1<sup>st</sup> for non-American members and when additional spots require that an extra place on a support boat be necessary). The remaining 50% of that total shall be received on or before April 15<sup>th</sup> 2009. Availability of places on support boats is not guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made after April 15<sup>th</sup> 2009.
- 16.6 A damage deposit of USD 200 per boat will be charged at registration and refunded at the end of the championship provided the boat is in good conditions. Should the Organising 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. Damage deductions will be shared by the teams using the boat.
- 16.7 A surcharge of 20% will be charged to late reservations and/or payments of support boats.

## 17. CHARTER BOATS

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- 17.1 Charter boats are mandatory.
- 17.2 All the charter boats will be provided by Riotecna. They will be allocated on a random basis to individual sailors by the Organising Committee under the supervision of the IODA Executive Committee.
- 17.3 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, daggerboards 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.
- 17.4 Competitors may use their own foils, spars, fittings and running rigging.
- 17.5 Charter boats will be complete with padded foot straps, airbag and airbag straps, racing spars, racing foils, mainsheet, ratchet block, etc. Bailers, bowlines, sails and paddles will NOT be provided.
- 17.6 The charter fee for 8 Regatta days (June 30<sup>th</sup> through July 8<sup>th</sup>) will be USD 450 per boat. Reservation of charter boats shall be made by submitting the Charter Boat Reservation Form and by transferring a first payment of USD 225 per boat, both of which shall be received on or before February 15<sup>th</sup> 2009 (or March 1<sup>st</sup> for non-American members). The remaining USD 225 per boat shall be received on or before April 15<sup>th</sup> 2009. (See paragraph 7.6 above for payment instructions)
- 17.8 Late reservations and payments will incur a surcharge of 20%. Charter boats availability will not be guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made later than April 15<sup>th</sup> 2009.
- 17.9 In addition to the charter fee a damage deposit of USD 100 will be required on receipt of each boat, to be refunded if no damage has occurred.

## 18. PRIZES

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- 18.1 For the INAM, the following prizes will be awarded:



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- (a) The 15 best placed sailors, without gender distinction, regardless of their continent of residence;
  - (b) The 5 best placed female sailors regardless of their continent of residence;
  - (c) The 3 best placed sailors, without gender distinction, whose IODA member is from North America; the first of whom will become the North American Champion 2008;
  - (d) Three permanent trophies (to be kept for one year and returned to the organisers of the following year's event) will be awarded:
    - i. To the best placed male sailor whose IODA member is from North America;
    - ii. To the best placed female sailor regardless of her continent of residence;
    - iii. To the best placed sailor, without gender distinction, whose IODA member is from outside North America.
- 18.2 Prizes for the team racing events shall be awarded at least to:
- (a) The 3 best placed teams in the North American Team Racing Championship;
  - (b) The best placed team whose IODA member is from North America, if different from the first in 18.2.a.
  - (c) Each sailor of the teams mentioned in 18.2.a and 18.2.b will be awarded a medal or a trophy.
- 18.3 More prizes might be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

## 19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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- 19.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and responsibility. See rule 4, Decision to Race.
- 19.2 The OA 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.
- 19.3 All competitors and support Stuff will be required to execute liability waiver.

## 20. INSURANCE

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Each participant shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of USD 500,000 per event or the equivalent. The Organising Committee will provide insurance to those delegations that cannot contract it in their countries at a cost of USD 50 per sailor. Participants are required to bring their own international health and medical insurance (or travel insurance with coverage in the Dominican Republic)

## 21. CONTACT

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- 21.1 For further information and queries, please contact:

Name	Eduardo Verdeja
Phone:	(809) 476-9523
Fax:	(809) 476-9384
E-mail:	<a href="mailto:info@optinam2009.org">info@optinam2009.org</a> / <a href="mailto:eduardo@optinam2009.org">eduardo@optinam2009.org</a>
Website:	<a href="http://www.optinam2009.org">www.optinam2009.org</a>

- 21.2 Each participating country should designate a person to be the official contact with the Organising Committee and provide an e-mail address.



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## ATTACHMENT 1: RACING AREA







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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

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

### A. ACCOMMODATION, LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AND MEALS

- A.1 Competitors and team officials will be housed in Hotetur Dominican Bay, within walking distance from the shore venue. Official accommodation will be available from 15.00 on June 30<sup>th</sup> until 12.00 on July 8<sup>th</sup> 2009.
- A.2 All three meals will be provided. Breakfast and dinner will be served at the hotel. The first official meal will be dinner on June 30<sup>th</sup> and the last official meal will be breakfast on July 8<sup>th</sup>.
- A.3 A damage deposit of USD 100 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 any special request filling in the relevant field in the Final Entry Form.

### B. EARLY ARRIVALS

- B.1 Teams wishing to arrive before the official arrival date should contact the Organising Committee in order to book accommodation. The daily fee (all inclusive) will be:  
Single Occupancy: USD 68 per night/ per person  
Double Occupancy: USD 55 per night/ per person  
Triple Occupancy: USD 53 per night/ per person
- B.2 Early arrivals have to be booked by April 15<sup>th</sup> to guarantee rate.
- B.3 Club facilities will be open from June 26<sup>th</sup> 2009.

### C. EARLY ARRIVAL SUPPORT BOATS

- C.1 It is possible to rent a support boat to be used before the Official Arrival day (from June 26<sup>th</sup> to June 29<sup>th</sup> 2009) at USD 125 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 15<sup>th</sup> to guarantee rate. Allocation of early arrival support boats will be made in order of arrival.
- C.2 A surcharge of 20% will be charged to late reservations and/or payments of support boats for pre-Regatta days.
- C.3 The damage deposit mentioned in NoR 16.6 will be charged on reception of the support boat.

### D. EARLY ARRIVAL CHARTER BOATS

- D.1 Charter boats will also be available before the Official Arrival Day, from (June 26<sup>th</sup> to June 29<sup>th</sup> 2009) at USD 50 per boat per day. Reservations of pre-Regatta charter boats shall be made by filling in the relevant fields in the Charter Boat Reservation Form and by transferring a sum equivalent to the total amount of the pre-Regatta charter fee, which shall be received on or before April 15<sup>th</sup> 2009.
- D.2 Late reservations and payments of pre-Regatta charter boats will incur a surcharge of 20%. Charter boats availability will not be guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made later than April 15<sup>th</sup> 2009.

### E. TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT

- E.1 Free of charge transportation to and from Las Américas International Airport will be provided on official arrival and departure days.
- E.2 On other days the cost will be USD 25 per person per way.

### F. SUPPORTERS

Supporters shall make reservations by themselves by contacting the official travel agency, which will be announced later.



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## G. SOCIAL EVENTS

To enhance the friendship between the participants and to make their stay in Santo Domingo more enjoyable, appropriate social events will be organised. Casual attire.

## H. MISCELLANEOUS

H.1 Each team is kindly requested to bring its own National Flag (100cm x 150cm) and the National Anthem recorded on tape or CD.

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

## I. SAILING CONDITIONS

Max-Min air temperature	32°C - 27°C
Water temperature	23°C - 19°C
Prevailing wind direction	130° - 180°
Max - Min wind speed	18kt - 7kt
Hours of good wind per day	5
Tides	30cm - 50cm
Current	Rare: 0.5 - 1.5kt

## J. VISA REQUIREMENTS

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

## K. SPECTATOR BOATS

There will be spectator boats available at a cost to be announced later.

## L. CHANDLERY AND REPAIRS

Chandlery and repairs will be available.

## M. SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

ITEM	COST	OBS.	
Required fees			NoR
Entry fee per sailor	600		7.1
Entry fee per adult	625		7.1
Support boat fee	1100 per boat	550 per team	16.2
Damage deposit	200	To be refunded after the event	16.4
Charter Optimist fee	450 per boat		17.6
Insurance	50 per sailor	Sailors who need it	20
Measurement	50	Unmeasured sails	10.8
Surcharge	20%	For late payments	7.4, 16.6, 17.8
Additional optional fees			Add. Info.
Accommodation	USD 68 single USD 55 double USD 53 triple	For early arrivals per person per night (all inclusive)	B1
Charter Optimist fee	USD 50 per boat per day	For early arrivals	D1
Transportation	USD 25 per person each way	Not charged on OAD and ODD	E2
Support boat	USD 125 per boat per day	For early arrivals	C1
Surcharge to additional	20%	For late payments	C2, D2