



IODA OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIP 2010

INTERNATIONAL OPTIMIST AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2010

Adelaide, AUSTRALIA

January 6 - 10

ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND VENUE

The IODA Oceania Championship and the International Optimist Australian Championship are organised by the Adelaide Sailing Club Inc. according to the conditions of IODA and AIODA. The shore venue will be the Adelaide Sailing Club Inc, Barcoo Road, West Beach, South Australia 5024; and racing will be in the waters of Holdfast Bay in the Gulf of St Vincent.

NOTICE OF RACE

Amended December 1 2009

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Championship will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012* (RRS).
- 1.2 Appendix D will apply for the Oceania Team Racing Championship, including D2.2 and D2.3(a); single flag protest procedure.
- 1.3 The current Conditions of the IODA will apply.
- 1.4 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.5 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 at the finishing line of the boat/s being protested immediately after finishing. However, "
 - (b) Sub clause 61.1(a)(2) is deleted.
- 1.6 The Green Fleet will be governed by the Introductory Rules for Racing.
- 1.7 English shall be the Official Language for the Championship.

2. ADVERTISING

All competitors may be required to display sponsors' advertising and/or bow numbers. If required they will be provided by the Organising Authority and fixed in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

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 entering the Oceania Championship shall do so only through the national association member of IODA (hereinafter 'IODA member') they represent.
The following entry allowances apply:

- (a) IODA members from Oceania may enter a team of any number of competitors.
- (b) IODA members from outside Oceania may enter a team of up to 7 competitors. Extra places may be allocated at the discretion of the IODA Executive Committee in consultation with AIODA. These places must be requested when submitting the Entry Form.
- 3.3 The Australian Championship is open to competitors who are:
 - (a) Australian Citizens or Permanent Residents. **Non Australian residents who are ineligible to qualify for the Oceania Championships may also enter the Australian Championships but will be ineligible for any Australian prizes, or team selections.**
 - (b) financial members of an AIODA state member association.
 - (c) members of a club affiliated to an MYA and a Yachting Australia Card holder.
 - (d) eligible for an AIODA representative team. (see 3.6 below)
- 3.4 Competitors shall have been born in 1995 or later.
- 3.5 Each team shall be accompanied by a Team Leader and may be accompanied by other two adults.
- 3.6 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. If a sailor does not comply with these guidelines but wishes to be considered for National representation then application may be made to AIODA for dispensation. These applications must be received in writing by the Secretary of AIODA by December 11, 2009. The final decision/ruling on a sailor's eligibility to represent Australia at the World Championships or other international Optimist regattas will be the responsibility of the AIODA committee in conjunction with the IODA executive.
- 3.7 Attention is drawn to ISAF Regulations relative to the ISAF World Youth Championship (change of nationality).
- 3.8 Entry to the Oceania Team Racing Championship will depend on the accumulated points of the competitors in the fleet races, according to 6.2 in this document.
- 3.9 Green Fleet Regatta
The 'Green Fleet' is open to less experienced Optimist Class sailors. The emphasis is on fun and the objective of this regatta is to offer younger siblings and less experienced sailors the opportunity to sail and participate without their feeling the need or burden to sail in the more competitive Open fleet. In the Green Fleet equipment used is not required to hold current measurement certificates (alters International Optimist Class Rule 2.4.1) but all hulls shall carry valid ISAF/IYRU plaques. These boats shall at the discretion of the Organising authority and the Race Committee be allowed to participate in a 'Green Fleet' competition. The 'Green Fleet' competition will be conducted on a separate course and subject to the programme herein, and ISAF simplified rules. Green/Open fleet qualification is subject to the approval of AIODA, and may be varied during the event by the Race Committee.

4. ENTRY

- 4.1 Entries shall be made by filling in the Entry forms and the Parent Declaration form and making the corresponding payments indicated in NOR 5 below. On-line entry and payment using the internet is preferred. The web URL is <http://www.adelaidesailingclub.com.au>.
- 4.3 Entries close with the Secretary at 1700 hrs on Friday 11 December 2009. Late entries will be accepted upon payment of an additional late fee up to 1200 on 6 January 2010.
- 4.4 Competitors who do not have access to the internet may contact the Organising Authority at the address below for a hardcopy of the required documents. In this case, entry forms will be accepted with cheque posted to:
The Manager, Adelaide Sailing Club
PO Box 28
GLENELG SA 5045

Payments can also be made by electronic transference to the following account:
Adelaide Sailing Club Incorporated BSB: 105-015 Account no: 115480940
Please quote Opti and Surname
- 4.5 Competitors, team leaders and other adults (when they are members of the official delegation) shall complete an on-site registration at the Race Office. Competitors will be considered "entered" when the on-site registration has been completed after returning to the Race Office the measurement form issued by the Measurement Sub-Committee (see NOR 10)

5. ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 The Regatta entry fee for the IODA Oceania, the Australian and Australian Open Championships is AUD \$195.00 incl. GST. The Regatta entry fee for Green Fleet is AUD \$125.00 incl. GST. The entry fee includes regatta shirt, and presentation function for the helm.
- 5.2 Charter boat fees are additional to the entry fee.
- 5.3 Late entries after 1700 on 11 December 2009 will incur an additional late entry fee of AUD \$55.00 inc GST. Late entries must be paid by cheque or cash. There is no entry fee for sailors selected for the IODA Oceania Team Racing Championship on 10 January.
- 5.4 Note: other events prior to the championships have separate entry fees, which can all be paid at the same time.

6. FORMAT OF THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 6.1 For the International Australian Championship and the IODA Oceania Championship:
- (a) If there are 80 or fewer competitors all of them will race as one fleet. If there are 81 or more competitors the fleet will be divided into 4 divisions, each of which will sail at least once but no more than 4 times with each of the other divisions.
- (b) When divisions are used, the allocation to divisions shall be done by the Race Committee at 1200 on January 6 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.
- (c) The series will consist of up to 12 races for each division or fleet.
- (d) No more than four races will be sailed on any day.
- 6.2 The Oceania Team Racing Championship is limited to a maximum of 16 teams, selected following the criteria below:
- (a) After the races sailed up to January 9 inclusive the total points of the 4 competitors with the best cumulative results from each member will be added to give a total score for the 'first team' of each member. The total points of the following 4 competitors with the best cumulative results from each member will be added to give a total score for the 'second team' of each member; and the total points of the following 4 competitors with the best cumulative results from each member will be added to give a total score for the 'third team' of each member. Teams will be then sorted out according to the mentioned total points. From this ranking:
- (b) If there are 16 or more IODA members from Oceania represented by at least four competitors, the first 16 'first teams' from Oceania members will qualify;
- (c) If there are less than 16 IODA members from Oceania represented by at least four competitors, each Oceania member will enter one team. Remaining places will be allocated to second and third teams from Oceania members according to their position in the ranking (or: will be allocated to first teams of IODA members from outside Oceania)
- (d) No member may enter more than three teams.
- (b) Teams' scores mentioned in 6.2(a) will be based on the ranking available at 2100 on January 9 *regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided.*

7. PROGRAM

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| January 1 to 5 | Early arrivals at the Brighton & Seacliff Yacht Club and early measurement. | 1300 |
| Wednesday, January 6 | Official Arrival Day. Opening Ceremony & Information Session. Registration and Measurement at ASC. Practice race. Racing. | 1000 0830 - 1200 1400 |
| Thursday, January 7 | Racing. | 1000 |
| Friday, January 8 | Racing. | 1000 |
| Saturday, January 9 | Racing. | 1000 |
| Sunday, January 10 | IOC and Australian Championships, re-sails if required. OTR. Closing and prize giving Ceremony | 1000 1900 |

- 7.1 The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race each day is 1000.
- 7.2 No warning signal shall be made after 1500 on 10/1/10

8. MEASUREMENT

- 8.1 Each boat shall produce a Sail Measurement Certificate.
- 8.1 Competitors are allowed to use only one hull, dagger board, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit and sail during the Championship. 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.
- 8.2 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.
- 8.3 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.
- 8.4 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.
- 8.6 Charter boats (see NOR 15) 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 correctly registered in the country of the competitor and shall carry the correct sail numbers for the boat.
- 8.7 Charter boats (see NOR 15) 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.
- 8.8 Sails measuring to the maximum limits during the measurement days may be inspected again at any time.
- 8.9 GRP boats shall be equipped with epoxy foils.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

10. THE COURSE

- 10.1 The Championships course for fleet racing will be an outer-loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg.
- 10.2 For the OTR the course will be a starboard hand "S" course.
- 10.3 The course for the Green fleet will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 Appendix P will apply for the IOC.
- 11.2 An international Jury will be constituted in accordance with RRS Appendix N. Decisions of the International Jury are final as provided in rule 70.5.
- 11.3 Protests arising from participation in this regatta may be subject to mediation.
- 11.4 Races of the OTR will be umpired.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 For the IOC, the series will consist of up to 12 races (for the whole fleet or for each division depending on the number of competitors), five of which are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2 If the fleet is divided, each flight of a race (each race between two divisions e.g. race 1A or race 1B) 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 4 divisions will count.
- 12.3 Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races except that when 11 or more 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.
- 12.4 The racing for the Australian Championship and the Oceania Championship will be scored as one fleet.

13. SAFETY

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

- 13.2 Discretionary penalties will apply to RRS 41 'Outside Help'. Actions of the Race Committee in retrieving crews from the water and returning them to their boats may not be penalized.

14. SUPPORT BOATS

- 14.1 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. No other flags shall be displayed by support boats.
 - (b) All support boats shall comply with the rules established by the Organising Committee.
 - (c) Each coach is required to carry a working VHF radio.
- 14.2 Team Support boats must be sourced independently. Payments and contracts shall be made directly with the boat provider.

15. CHARTER BOATS

- 15.1 Charter boats are NOT mandatory.
- 15.2 All charter boats will be provided by OziOpti.
- 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 Competitors shall compete in the championship in boats correctly registered in the country of the competitor or in OziOpti charter boats officially chartered for the championship as approved by AIODA.
- 15.7 The charter fee for 5 Championship days (January 6 to 10) will be \$440. Reservation of charter boats shall be made by submitting the Charter Boat Reservation Form (available on the Ozi-Opti website www.oziopti.com.au/charter or by contacting Steven Bond on +61 424 225 774). Payments shall be made directly to the boat provider.

16. PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes for the IOC will be awarded at least to:
- (a) 1st, 2nd and 3rd sailors regardless of gender and continent of residence.
 - (b) 1st sailor, regardless of gender, whose IODA member is Oceanian (only in case this is different from the 1st in (c))
 - (c) 1st, 2nd and 3rd female sailors regardless of continent of residence.
- 16.2 Prizes for the OTR will be awarded at least to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd teams whose members are all of the same nationality.
- 16.3 For the Australian Championship, the following prizes will be awarded:
- Australian National Championship - 1st place + perpetual trophy
 - Australian National Championship 2nd to 10th places
 - World's qualifiers - 1st to 5th places
 - Australian Optimist Sailing Team ("AOST") qualifiers. Top 20.
 - Winner's Club's Championship Cup
 - Peter Gilmour Trophy - encouragement award
 - Participation and encouragement awards
 - 1st female,
 - 1st sailor in 1st nationals (Australian)
 - Notable sportsmanship
 - Green fleet
 - Green fleet championship - 1st place, Natalie O'Brart trophy
 - Green fleet 2nd to 10th places
- 16.4 More prizes may be awarded at the criteria of the organisers.

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 By way of entry to the Championship competitors shall indemnify Adelaide Sailing Club Inc., their officers, members, servants and agents in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which

may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Championship. Competitors shall acknowledge that sole responsibility for the suitability of the boat and equipment lies with the competitor and that Adelaide Sailing Club Inc., their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Championship or howsoever arising in connection with this event.

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

18. INSURANCE

All boats shall have third party insurance cover of not less than \$AUD 5,000,000. (recommend \$AUD 10,000,000 or the equivalent thereof in any other convertible currency) for any accident. All owners / competitors who sign the entry forms are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owners / competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry. The skipper of each boat must be able to display proof of cover if requested to do so.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

19.1 For further information and queries, please contact:

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19.2 Each participating country shall designate a person to be the official contact with the Organising Committee and provide a mobile phone number for contact in Adelaide, and an e-mail address.

20. AMENDMENTS

20.1 Any changes to this Notice of Race will be published on the Regatta Web Site www.adelaidesailingclub.com.au no later than 30th November 2009

Additional information: <http://www.optiworld.org/09norOceaniaAIS.pdf>

ATTACHMENT 1: RACING AREA

