



# OPEN BELGIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Cadet Class - Europe Class - Optimist Class



12<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> of September 2009

## NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

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### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the Belgian national authority (KBYV-FRYB ) will apply.
- 1.3 The International Class Rules and regulations will apply.
- 1.4 This Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions ( In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race, the Class Rules and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instruction shall prevail ).
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

### 2. ADVERTISING

Advertising will be restricted to Category A (see ISAF regulation 20).

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open for International Cadet-, Europe- and Optimist Class sailors.
- 3.2 Only eligible boats for which an Entry form (available on :



<http://www.rnsyc.be/ostend/en/calendar.asp> ) has been received, registration has been completed, and the full entry fee has been paid are entitled to race.

- 3.3 ISAF eligibility requirements (see Rule 75) shall apply.
- 3.4 All Belgian owners must be member of the National Class Association.
- 3.5 All Belgian helmsmen and crew must be bearer of a Belgian Sailing License.
- 3.6 Each sailor shall be current members of their National Class Association and must have the official document require by their National Authority.

#### 4. ENTRIES AND REGISTRATION

4.1 Required fees are as follows:

Class	Fee
Single-handed boats	€ 50 prepayment or € 60 at registration
Double-handed boats	€ 60 prepayment or € 70 at registration

**Prepayment can be done by bank transfer before September 1, 2009. After this date the fee will be majored with 10€.**

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- 4.2 In order to be valid, each entry should include
  - The original "entry form"
  - The fee is to be paid at least while registration.
  - A copy of measurement certificate
  - A copy of the insurance policy (see insurance § 13)
- 4.3 The specific Sailing instructions will be handed over after the registration and payment.

#### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 **Registration:**

**Cadet, Europe, Optimist,**

Friday September 11	from 18.00 h	to 21.00 h
Saturday September 12	from 09.00 h	to 12.00 h

5.2 **Dates of racing:**

**Cadet, Europe, Optimist,**

Saturday September 12	First warning signal 11.55 h
Sunday September 13	First warning signal 09.55 h

5.3 **Number of races scheduled:**

Class	Number
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Cadet:	7
Europe:	7
Optimist:	7

If there are more than 100 entries in a class, the organising authorities may sub-divide the class into different starting groups. Details of this system will be found in the Sailing Instructions.

## 6. MEASUREMENTS

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate.

## 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration.

## 8. VENUE

8.1 Location: The Open Belgian Championship (OBC) for Cadet, Europe and Optimist will be sailed on the North Sea in front of Oostende, Belgium.

8.2 Launching of the boats will be from the slipway launching area on the East bank of the harbour, near the boat and trailer parking.

8.3 A free crossing will be arranged throughout de venue from the R. N. S. Y. C. to the parking and launching area (also during the social events)

8.4 Support boats may go afloat by using 2 different ramps or by a crane up to 2000 kg after registration.

8.5 Attachment 1 shows a detailed plan of the launching areas en boat parking area

## 9. THE COURSES

9.1 The courses to be sailed will be of Trapezoid type for all classes.

9.2 Optimist will be on race area 1 (or opposite )

Cadet and Europe on race area 2 (or opposite)

## 10. PENALTY SYSTEM

The rules 44.1 and 44.2 will apply

## 11. SCORING

11.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply

11.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.3 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.



## 12. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall register before going afloat and may be requested to fly an identification flag.

## 13. BERTHING

13.1 Ample parking space is available near the launching slope on the East bank of the harbour. Parking instructions of the Beach masters are strictly to be followed.

13.2 A number of Motor homes may be parked on the

Montgomery kaai alongside the dock (with electricity and water supply)



*map of Oostende harbour*

## 14. PRIZES

14.1 Prizes will be given for 25% best in each class and a souvenir for each participant.

14.2 A free passage service will bring participants to the other shore and back for the price-giving ceremony at the RNSYC.

## 15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. It is for the competitor to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By going to sea, the yacht confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 16. INSURANCE

16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 500 000 €. The organisers will request a written proof of insurance at the time of registration.

16.2 Each youngster shall designate in writing the adult who shall be in attendance and accept ultimate responsibility for the personal safety and conduct of the competitor. If possible this person's mobile phone-number will be indicated on the inscription form.

## 17. SOCIAL EVENT

Saturday September 11<sup>th</sup> 19.30: Sailors Dinner at 15 €

Tickets can be bought at the race office Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2009 before 11:00



## 18. WIFI AREA

The North Sea Royal Yacht Club offers you FREE wireless internet access in and around the club house

## 19. FURTHER INFORMATION

For accommodation please contact:

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Youth hotel: (200 meters from beach)  
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