Punta del Este, URUGUAY

March 25 to April 4

ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND VENUE

The IODA South American Championship is organised by the Yacht Club Punta del Este in conjunction with the Uruguayan Optimist Association (AUDO) with the endorsement of the Uruguayan Yachting Federation (FUYV); under the authority of the International Optimist Dinghy Association (IODA).

The Championship will be held in the city of Punta del Este. The shore venue will be the Yacht Club Punta del Este and the racing area will be on the Bay of Maldonado.

NOTICE OF RACE

AVISO DE REGATA EN ESPAÑOL: http://www.optiworld.org/10samnorSpanish.pdf

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 South American Team Racing Championship and for the Nations' Cup, 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 Rule 61.1 "Informing the Protestee" is changed as follows:
 - (a) Add to rule 61.1(a) "The protesting boat shall inform the Race Committee of the boat/s being protested at the finishing line immediately after finishing."
 - (b) Rule 61.1(a)(2) "If the hull length of the protesting boat is less than 6 meters, she need not display a red flag" is deleted.
- 1.6 Spanish will be the Official Language for the Championship. If there is a conflict between languages the language of the original version of the relevant document will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 As per ISAF Regulation 20.5.6 (a), no Advertising may be displayed pursuant Regulation 20.3.1.2
- 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 shall enter through the national association member of IODA (hereinafter 'member') they represent.
- 3.3 Competitors shall comply with the ISAF Eligibility Code, Regulation 19, with the Conditions for IODA Continental Championships and with the Conditions for IODA South American Championships.
- Each member from South America may enter up to 15 competitors (see also 3.8). The member from Uruguay, as host country, may enter up to 30 competitors (see also 3.8).
- 3.5 For the following members from North America, the maximum number of competitors is as follows: USA, 15; Canada, 11; Netherlands Antilles and Puerto Rico, 9; Bermuda, 8; Dominican Republic 7; México, 6. (see also 3.8)
- 3.6 Other North American members may enter up to 5 competitors.
- 3.7 If by December 15 2009 the number of registered competitors is less than the entry limit on 3.9, available places will be allocated:
 - (a) First, to North American members that have asked for additional places (up to a total of 15 places per member);

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- (b) Then, to other members (American or non-American) following the IODA Executive Committee's approval.
- 3.8 Members entering teams with more than 9 competitors and up to the maximums specified above (paragraphs 3.4 to 3.7) shall register a minimum number of competitors of the opposite gender equal to 25% of the total number of competitors (rounded upwards), as follows: teams of 10 to 12 competitors, 3; teams of 13 to 16 competitors, 4; teams of 17 to 20 competitors, 5; teams of 21 to 24 competitors, 6; teams of 25 to 28 competitors, 7; teams of 29 or 30 competitors, 8.
- 3.9 Entries are limited to 198 competitors.
- 3.10 Each team shall be accompanied by a Team Leader and may be accompanied by other two or three adults, depending on the number of competitors. A maximum of four adults including the Team Leader will be allowed only for teams entering 10 or more competitors. (Condition 15.1 of the Conditions for Continental Championships)
- 3.11 Each competitor shall have been born in 1995 or later.
- 3.12 The member of the South American Champion 2009 (closed championship) is allowed to enter one more competitor than its quota (as per 3.4) provided that the mentioned Champion is one of the competitors registered and that he/she complies with 3.11 above.
- 3.13 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.
- 3.14 Attention is drawn to ISAF Regulations relative to the ISAF World Youth Championship (change of nationality).

4. ENTRY

- 4.1 Entries shall be made by submitting the official forms available in the event website and by paying the <u>required fees</u> according to the following schedule:
 - (a) The Preliminary Entry Form shall be returned to the Organising Committee not later than December 15 2009;
 - (b) The Second Entry Form shall be returned to the Organising Committee not later than January 20 2010
 - (c) 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 February 20 2010.
- 4.2 <u>Required fees</u> 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. The on-site registration of each competitor will not be completed until the measurement form issued by the Measurement Sub-Committee (see paragraph 8.2) has been returned to the Race Office.

5. ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 Entry fees will be <u>USD 515 per competitor</u> and <u>USD 565 per adult</u> (maximum four according to 3.10).
- Accommodation and meals are included in the entry fee for the duration of the Championship (from the Official Arrival day to the Official Departure day inclusive).
- 5.3 Fees Payable:
 The deposit of 100% of the total fees shall be made by Bank Draft or Wire Transfer to be received by the Organising Committee on or before December 15 2009.
- 5.4 Late payments will incur a surcharge of USD 50 per registered competitor or adult.
- 5.5 Competitors entering and withdrawing their entry not later than January 15 2010 will be refunded 50% of the deposit (except for any bank cost incurred due to the refund). Competitors withdrawing their entry later than January 15 2010 will not be refunded. The same schedule applies for any payment made according to paragraphs 14 and 15.
- 5.6 Payment instructions:

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(a) Please make payments to

Beneficiary: YACHT CLUB PUNTA DEL ESTE Beneficiary's address: Calle 10 esq 13 Name of bank: BANCO SANTANDER Bank address: Avenida Gorlero

Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunications (SWIFT) Code: BSCHUYMM

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

6. FORMAT OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Account number: 1377043

- 6.1 The IODA South American Championship comprises three 'championships':
 - (a) The OPTIMIST INDIVIDUAL SOUTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP (ISAM);
 - (b) The OPTIMIST TEAM RACING SOUTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP (TRSAM);
 - (c) The OPTIMIST NATIONS CUP (NC).
- 6.2 For the **ISAM**
 - (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 but no more than 3 times with each of the other divisions.
 - (b) The allocation to divisions will be done by the Race Committee at 1200 on March 27 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.
 - (d) No more than four races will be sailed on any day.
- 6.3 For the **TRSAM**
 - (a) Up to 16 teams from South American members may enter.
 - (b) After the first 5 races (or the number of races sailed until March 30 inclusive, if fewer than 5) sailed in the ISAM 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. The first 16 teams with the best total score will qualify, but;
 - (c) Had any South American member/s not qualified even one team, it/they shall enter a team replacing the team/s (of members that had qualified more than one team) with worst total score/s.
 - (d) No member may enter more than three teams.
- 6.4 For the NC
 - (a) Up to 16 teams may be entered.
 - (b) If there are sixteen or more members from outside South America represented by at least four competitors, the sixteen members with the best-placed first teams according to priority shown in 6.3(b) may enter one team.
 - (c) If there are less than sixteen members from outside South America represented by at least four competitors, every one of them may enter one team. Remaining places will be allocated to teams with best total scores according to 6.3(b) selected indiscriminately from:
 - second and third teams of South American members that had not qualified to the TRSAM, or;
 - ii. second and third teams of members from outside South America.
 - (d) In any of the situations mentioned above, (6.4(b) or 6.4(c)) had Uruguay not qualified any team (neither to the SAMTR nor to the NC), it will enter one to the NC replacing the team qualified in 16th place.

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- 6.5 No member will be allowed to enter more than one team in the team racing championships (to participate in the same championship or in both) unless it makes available to the organisers a suitable umpire for the TRSAM or the NC.
- 6.6 The seeding for the TRSAM and NC will be based on the cumulative results mentioned in 6.3(b). Formats of both championships will be described in the relevant Sailing Instructions.
- 6.7 Teams' scores mentioned in 6.3(b) will be based on the ranking available at 2100 on March 30 regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided.

7. PROGRAM

Thursday, March 25	Official Arrival Day. Registration and Measurement.		
	Official accommodation available from 1400.		
Friday, March 26	Registration and Measurement.		
	Team Leaders' meeting.		
	Opening Ceremony.		
Saturday, March 27	Registration and Measurement.		
	Practice Race.		
Sunday, March 28	ISAM, Races.		
Monday, March 29	ISAM, Races.		
Tuesday, March 30	ISAM, Races.		
Wednesday, March 31	TRSAM.		
	NC.		
Thursday, April 1	Spare day.		
Friday, April 2	ISAM, Races.		
Saturday, April 3	ISAM, Races.		
	Closing and Prize Giving Ceremony.		
Sunday, April 4	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 Competitors shall 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
- 8.3 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.
- 8.4 Substitution of damaged equipment may be permitted providing that the relevant form has been filled in at the Race Office and both the damaged and the substituting equipment has been checked by the Measurement Sub-Committee and the substituting equipment has been scrutineered by the Measurement Sub-Committee.
- 8.5 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 Boats 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.
- 8.7 Hulls 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 on the spare day.

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- 8.9 Sails to be used during the Championship shall have been measured before inspection at the Championship. If a sail is presented unmeasured (or without the Sail Measurement Certificate), it will be measured at the Championship at a cost of USD 50, payable to IODA. Measurement of country letters and sail numbers is available for free.
- 8.10 GRP boats shall be equipped with Epoxy foils.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available upon 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.
- 10.2 For the team racing championships the course will be a starboard hand "S" course.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 Appendix P will apply for the ISAM.
- 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 Races of the team racing championships will be umpired.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 For the ISAM, the series will consist of 12 races for each division, five of which are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2 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 that have been completed for all 6 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.

13. SAFETY

Each competitor shall 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.

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) Unless otherwise decided by the Organising Committee, from March 25, each boat shall meet the requirements in 14.2 and 14.3.
 - (c) During the Team Racing World Championship days, the support boats will be at the disposal of the Organizing Committee.
 - (d) All support boats shall comply with the rules established by the Organising Committee.
 - (e) Fuel and other consumables shall be paid by the teams using the boat.
 - (f) Each coach is required to carry a working VHF radio.
- 14.2 The maximum number of adults per team allowed on the water in support boats (hereinafter 'coaches') at any one time shall be
 - (a) Teams comprising 10 or fewer competitors: 1 coach.

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- (b) Teams comprising 11 to 20 competitors: 2 coaches.
- (c) Teams comprising 21 or more competitors: 3 coaches.
- 14.3 Each support boat shall be shared by at least two coaches at all times (except during the team racing, when one coach per boat might be allowed, if the organisers so decide). The Organising Committee will allocate places in support boats to coaches, subject to the above limits, who have reserved them (see 14.4) 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.
- Teams wishing to have places on chartered support boats shall pay for each such place a fee of 50% of the charter fee for the boat. 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 championship at the latest.
- Team support boats to be used during the Regatta days (March 25 to April 3) are available from the Organising Committee at the <u>Support boat charter fee</u> of <u>USD 1200 per boat</u>.
- 14.6 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 single payment covering the total amount to be paid (depending on the number of places to be booked, see paragraphs 14.3 and 14.4) which shall be received on or before December 15 2009. Availability of places on support boats is not guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made after January 15 2010.
- 14.7 A damage deposit of USD 200 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.
- 14.8 Late reservations and/or payments of support boats charter fees will incur a surcharge of USD 100 per place on a support boat.

15. CHARTER BOATS

- 15.1 Charter boats are MANDATORY.
- 15.2 All the charter boats will be provided by Shangai Far East FRP Boat Co. Ltd. They will be allocated on a random basis to individual competitors by the Organising Committee under the supervision of the IODA Executive 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, mainsheet, airbags, padded toe straps, bowline, 2 bailers, paddle, racing spars, racing foils and trolley. Sails will NOT be provided.
- The <u>charter fee</u> for 10 Championship days (March 25 to April 3) will be <u>USD 500 per boat</u>. Reservation of charter boats shall be made by submitting the Charter Boat Reservation Form and by transferring 100% of the charter fee, which shall be received on or before December 15 2009.
- 15.7 Late reservations and payments will incur a surcharge of USD 50 per boat. Charter boats availability will not be guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made later than January 15 2010.
- 15.8 In addition to the charter fee a damage deposit of USD 200 will be required on receipt of each boat, to be refunded if no damage has occurred.

16. PRIZES

16.1 For the ISAM, prizes will be awarded at least to:

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- (a) The 15 best placed competitors, regardless of their continent of residence and without gender distinction;
- (b) The 5 best placed female competitors, regardless of the continent of residence;
- (c) The 3 best placed competitors whose IODA member is South American, without gender distinction. The first of these 3 competitors will become the South American Champion 2010 and will be awarded the permanent trophy. This trophy shall be returned to the organisers of the following year event.
- 16.2 For the team racing championships, prizes will be awarded to each member of at least the following teams:
 - (a) The three best placed in the TRSAM. The first of these teams will be the South American Team Champion 2010;
 - (b) The three best placed in the NC.
- 16.3 The Organizing Committee may decide to award extra prizes.

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 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 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 per event or the equivalent.
- 18.2 Competitors unable to contract the insurance in their country may contract it through the organisation at USD 40 per competitor.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

19.1 For further information and queries, please contact:

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Website:	www.ycpe.com.uy

19.2 Each participating country shall 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 Championship.

A. ACCOMMODATION, LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AND MEALS

- A.1 Competitors and team officials will be housed in different hotels, all of them between 5 and 10 blocks from the shore venue (Hotel Castilla, Hotel Iberia, Hotel Amsterdam, Hotel Atlántico and Hotel Petit). Official accommodation will be available from 1400 on March 25 2010 until 1100 on April 4 2010.
- A.2 All three meals will be provided. Breakfast and dinner will be served at the hotel. Packed lunches will be delivered at the nautical venue. The first official meal will be dinner on March 25 2010 and the last official meal will be breakfast on April 4 2010.
- A.3 A damage deposit (amount to be defined) 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 Second Entry Form.

B. EARLY ARRIVALS

- B.1 Teams wishing to arrive before the official arrival date should contact the organisers in order to book accommodation. The daily fee per person per day will be between USD 25 and USD 35 (bed and breakfast).
- B.2 Please make reservations before January 15 2010 to guarantee availability.
- B.3 Club facilities will be open from March 19 2010.

C. EARLY ARRIVAL SUPPORT BOATS

- C.1 It is possible to rent a support boat to be used before the Official Arrival day (from March 19 to March 24) at USD 100 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 December 15 2009 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 March 18 to March 24)) at USD 100 per boat for seven days. Reservations of pre-Championship charter boats shall be made by filling in the relevant fields in the Charter Boat Reservation Form and transferring 100% of the fees, which shall be received on or before December 15 2009.
- D.2 Late reservations and payments of pre-Championship charter boats will incur a surcharge of 20%.

E. TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT

Transportation to and from Carrasco International Airport will be provided at USD 20 per person per way. The cost of transportation shall be paid for together with the entry fees.

F. SUPPORTERS

Supporters shall make reservations by themselves. Please contact the official travel agency (to be announced)

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G. SOCIAL EVENTS

To enhance the friendship between the competitors and to make their stay in Punta del Este 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 CD.
- H.2 There are no medical precautions that need to be taken entering Uruguay.

I. SAILING CONDITIONS

Daytime temperature	25°C - 20°C
Water temperature	20°C
Prevailing wind direction	EAST - NORTH EAST
Wind speed	18 - 10 knots
Hours of good wind per day	6
Tides	2m
Current	1knot max

J. VISA REQUIREMENTS

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

K. SPECTATOR BOATS

There will be spectator boats available at USD 10 per person per day. Official members of delegations will be charged a reduced fee.

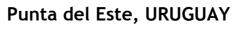
L. CHANDLERY AND REPAIRS

Chandlery and repairs will be available at the shore venue.

M. SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

ITEM	COST	OBS.	
Required payments			NoR
Entry fee	USD 515	Deadline: December 15 2009.	5.1, 5.3
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Entry fee adults	USD 565	Deadline: December 15 2009.	5.1, 5.3
Support boat	USD 1,200 per boat	Deadline: December 15 2009. USD	14.4, 14.5, 14.6
fee		600 per coach.	
Damage deposit	USD 200	To be paid upon reception of boat.	14.7
		Refundable.	
Charter boat	USD 500 per boat	Deadline: December 15 2009.	15.6
Damage deposit	USD 200	To be paid upon reception of boat.	15.8
		Refundable.	
Sail	USD 50	Velas no medidas. Pagadero a IODA	8.9
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Insurance	USD 40	Competitors who do not get the	18
		coverage in their country.	
Surcharge	USD 50 /USD 100	Late payments. Depends on item.	5.4, 14.8, 15.7
Optional Payments			extra info sheet





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Accommodation	between USD 25 and USD 30	Early arrivals	B.1
	per person per day		
Support boat	USD 100 per boat per day	Early arrivals. Fuel not included.	C.1
Charter boat	USD 100 per boat per 7 days	Early arrivals.	D.1
Transportation	USD 20 per person	Per way	E
Surcharge	20%	Late payment	C2, D2