



IODA AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2011

Hammamet, TUNISIA

October 1 to 9

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The IODA African Championship is organised by the Fédération Tunisienne de Voile; under the authority of the International Optimist Dinghy Association (IODA).

PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE

Amended August 16

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Championship will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Appendix D will apply for the Team Racing African 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 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 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 rule 40.
- 1.7 Rule changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.8 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 As per ISAF Regulation 20.5.3 (a), no Advertising may be displayed pursuant Regulation 20.3.2.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority. Information from this equipment shall not be used by a boat as evidence in a hearing. This changes rule 63.6.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The Championship is open to competitors sailing on boats of the Optimist class that fulfill the eligibility requirements stated below.
- 4.2 Competitors shall enter only through the national association member of IODA (hereinafter 'member') they represent.
- 4.3 Entries are limited to 80 sailors born in 1996 or later. Subject to this limit each African member of IODA may enter a team of seven sailors with a maximum of 5 being of the same gender (For teams of 5 or less sailors there is no requirement about gender).
- 4.4 The IODA member from Tunisia, as the host member, may enter up to 14 sailors with a maximum of 10 being of the same gender; and two teams for the Team Racing event.



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- 4.5 Sailors whose IODA member is European but who are residents of an overseas territory that is geographically in Africa may be entered by their IODA member at the discretion of the IODA Executive Committee. These sailors shall be considered to be African for the purpose of NOR 17 (PRIZES).
- 4.6 Non African IODA members may enter at the discretion of the IODA Executive Committee and only if by July 1 the number of sailors entered with deposits is less than 80. Non African members interested in attending the event shall fill in the Preliminary Entry form indicating the number of places requested (maximum 7 per member, with maximum 5 sailors of the same gender).
- 4.7 In cases where a member is allowed to enter more than 7 sailors, the minimum number of sailors of the opposite gender shall be 25% rounded upwards.
- 4.8 The defending African (closed) champion may participate, if eligible, in addition to the number of sailors allocated to his member.
- 4.9 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. Attention is drawn to ISAF Regulation 17.5: Nationality Criteria.

5. ENTRY

- 5.1 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:
- (a) The Preliminary Entry Form and a first payment of 50% of the total required fees shall be received by the Organising Committee not later than July 15 2011.
- (b) The remaining 50% of the total required fees (except the charter boat fee, see NOR 16) shall be paid at registration.
- (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 September 1 2011.
- 5.2 **Required fees** are described in paragraphs 6 (ENTRY FEES), 15 (SUPPORT BOATS) and 16 (CHARTER BOATS).
- 5.3 ~~A surcharge of 20% will be charged to all late entries.~~
- 5.4 Competitors entering and withdrawing their entry not later than August 15 2011 will be refunded 25% of the deposit (except for any bank cost incurred due to the refund). Competitors withdrawing their entry later September 10 2011 will not be refunded. The same schedule applies for any payment made according to paragraphs 15 and 16.
- 5.5 Competitors, team leaders and other adults (when they are members of the official delegation) shall complete an on-site registration at the Race Office. The on-site registration of each competitor will not be completed until the measurement form issued by the Measurement Sub-Committee (see paragraph 9) has been returned to the Race Office.

6. ENTRY FEES

- 6.1 Entry fees will be **USD 600 per competitor and per adult** (maximum three adults).
- 6.2 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).
- 6.3 Payment instructions:
- (a) Please make payments to

Beneficiary:

Fédération Tunisienne de Voile



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Bank:	ATB
Bank address:	9,rue Hedí Nouira 1001 TUNIS
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RIB :	01 001 0201112572385 10
IBAN :	TN 59 0100 1020 1112 5723 8510
BIC ATB(SWIFT)	ATBKTNTT

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

7. FORMAT OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

7.1 The IODA African Championship comprises two 'championships':

- (a) The OPTIMIST INDIVIDUAL AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIP (IAC);
- (b) The OPTIMIST TEAM RACING AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIP (TRAC).

7.2 For **the IAC**, the entire fleet will race in one group.

7.3 For the **TRAC**

- (a) The event will be held for up to 16 teams from members represented by at least 4 competitors. Each team shall comprise of 4 or 5 competitors of which 4 may sail in each race. Composition of teams is at the discretion of the member. If there are more than 16 eligible teams and the host member does not qualify a team, it will replace the last qualified team.
- (b) Qualification: After the first 5 races of the fleet racing championship, or the number of races sailed prior to the TRAC if less than 5, the total points of the 4 competitors with the best cumulative results from each member will be added to give a total team score. For the host country, the total points of the following 4 competitors will be added to give a total score for their second team. Teams will be sorted according to team total scores and the first 16 teams will qualify. Team scores will be based on the ranking available at 2100 on the day the first five races are completed or on the day prior to the TRAC if less than five races have been completed, regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided.
- (c) The format for the TRAC will be described in the Team Racing Sailing Instructions.

8. PROGRAMME

8.1

Oct 1	Official Arrival Day. Registration and Measurement. Official accommodation available after 1400.
Oct 2	Registration and Measurement. Team Leaders meeting. Practice Race. Opening Ceremony.
Oct 3	Optimist Individual African Championship, races.
Oct 4	Optimist Individual African Championship, races.
Oct 5	Optimist Team Racing African Championship.
Oct 6	Spare Day.
Oct 7	Optimist Individual African Championship, races.
Oct 8	Optimist Individual African Championship, races. Prize giving and Closing Ceremony.
Oct 9	Official Departure Day.



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8.2 12 races are scheduled with a maximum of 4 races per day

9. MEASUREMENT

9.1 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).

9.2 Equipment will be scrutineered and may be measured by the event equipment inspector according to the Measurement Regulations and approved for compliance with the Class Rules.

9.3 Boats chartered through the organisation 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 registered in the country of the competitor and shall carry the correct sail number for the hull.

9.4 CR 2.4.1 is suspended and hulls chartered through the organisation shall be supplied with a Registration Book but are exempt from complying with Class Rule 2.4.3 (b) and (c).

9.5 Sails measuring to the maximum limits during the measurement days may be inspected again on the spare day.

9.6 Sails 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 and a certificate will be issued at a cost of USD 50, payable to IODA. Measurement of country letters and sail numbers is available for free.

9.7 GRP boats shall be equipped with epoxy foils. This changes class rules 3.3.1 and 3.4.1

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at registration at the venue.

11. VENUE

The Championship will be held in the city of Hammamet the racing area will be in the gulf of Hammamet and the shore venue will be the Marina Yasmine (Attachment 1 for the addresses and a map showing their location.)

12. THE COURSE

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

12.2 The course for the team racing will be a starboard "S" course.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 Appendix P will apply for the IAC.

13.2 Decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

13.3 Races of the TRAC will be umpired.

14. SCORING

14.1 For the IAC, five races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

14.2

(a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) 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.



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- (c) When 11 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

15. SUPPORT BOATS

- 15.1 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 October 1 boats shall be shared by coaches of at least two different countries as decided by the Organising Committee. No more than one person from each team shall be on the water in the boat at the same time.
 - (c) During the TRAC days, the support boats will be at the disposal of the Organising 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) Coaches are encouraged to use a VHF radio. However, radios will not be provided and every coach should bring their own.
- 15.2 Team support boats to be used during the Championship days (October 1 to 8) are available from the Organising Committee at the **Support boat fee of USD 500 per boat** (one boat per two teams). The fee includes insurance coverage but does not include fuel.
- 15.3 Reservations of places on support boats shall be made by submitting the Support Boat Reservation Form and transferring a first payment of USD 125 (50% of the cost per coach), both of which shall be received on or before July 15 (See paragraph 6.3 above for payment instructions). The remaining 50% of the total fee shall be paid on registration. Availability of support boats is not guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made after July 15 2011
- 15.4 A damage deposit of USD 100 per team 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 shall be shared by the teams using the boat.
- 15.5 ~~A surcharge of 20% will be charged to late reservations and/or payments of support boats.~~

16. CHARTER BOATS

- 16.1 Charter boats are mandatory except for sailors from North Africa (Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco, and Libya)
- 16.2 ~~All the charter boats will be provided by ZOU MARINE~~ **New Zou Marine boats will be provided by the Fédération Tunisienne de Voile.** They will be allocated on a random basis to individual competitors by the Organising Committee under the supervision of the IODA Executive Committee.
- 16.3 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.
- 16.4 Competitors may use their own foils, spars, fittings and running rigging.



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- 16.5 Charter boats will be complete with blocks, airbag, racing spars, racing foils, mainsheet, padded toe straps, trolley and bowlines. Sails will NOT be provided.
- 16.6 The **charter fee** for 8 Championship days (October 1 to 8) will be **USD 500 per boat**. Reservation of charter boats shall be made by submitting the Charter Boat Reservation Form and by transferring a first payment of USD 250 per boat, both of which shall be received on or before June 1 2011. The remaining 50% per boat shall be received on or before July 1 2011. **Please follow payment instructions 6.3.**
- 16.7 ~~Late reservations and payments will incur a surcharge of 20%. Charter boats availability will not be guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made later July 1 2011.~~
- 16.8 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.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1 Prizes for the IAC will be awarded at least to:
- (a) The five best-placed sailors regardless of gender and continent of residence;
 - (b) The three best-placed female sailors regardless of their continent of residence;
 - (c) The three best-placed sailors without gender distinction whose IODA member is African, the first of whom will become the African Champion 2011 and who will also be awarded the permanent trophy (to be kept for one year and returned to the organisers of the following year's event);
 - (d) The three best-placed female sailors whose IODA member is African.
- 17.2 Prizes for the TRAC will be awarded at least to:
- (a) The 3 best placed teams;
 - (b) The best-placed team whose IODA member is from Africa, who will become the African Team Racing Champions 2011.
 - (c) Each team member of the winning team/s will be awarded a medal.
- 17.3 More prizes may be awarded at the criteria of the organisers.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1 Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk and responsibility. See rule 4, Decision to Race. 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.
- 18.3 All competitors and support staff will be required to execute liability waiver.

19. INSURANCE

- 19.1 Each competitor shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of USD 300,000 per event or the equivalent.
- 19.2 Insurance can be arranged with the organisers at a cost of (amount to be defined) per competitor.

20. CONTACT

- 20.1 For further information and queries, please contact:

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E-mail	ftv@planet.tn
Championship website	not yet

- 20.2 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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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 Marina Hotel, 300 meter within walking distance. Official accommodation will be available from 1400 on October 1 until 1100 on October 9.
- 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 October 1 and the last official meal will be breakfast on October 9.
- 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 USD 50 per person (bed and breakfast).
- B.3 Club facilities will be open from September 15. Official accommodation will be available from September 15.

C. EARLY ARRIVAL SUPPORT BOATS

- C.1 it is possible to rent a support boat to be used before the Official Arrival day (from Sept 15 to 30) at USD 60 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 September 15 2011 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 (from September 27 to 30) at no extra cost. Reservations of pre-Regatta charter boats shall be made by filling in the relevant fields in the Charter Boat Reservation Form.

E. TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT

- E.1 Free of charge transportation to and from Tunis Carthage Airport will be provided on official arrival and departure days.
- E.2 On other days the cost will be USD 50 per person each way.



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F. SUPPORTERS

Supporters shall make reservations by themselves. They are encouraged to contact the Fédération Tunisienne de voile to reserve at Hotel.

G. SOCIAL EVENTS

To enhance the friendship between the competitors and to make their stay in Tunisia 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 Tunisia.*

I. SAILING CONDITIONS

<i>Daytime temperature</i>	<i>30°C – 20°C</i>
<i>Water temperature</i>	<i>22°C</i>
<i>Prevailing wind direction</i>	<i>NW--SE</i>
<i>Wind speed</i>	<i>10 – 20 knots</i>
<i>Tides</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Current</i>	<i>no</i>

J. VISA REQUIREMENTS

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

K. SPECTATOR BOATS

There will be spectator boats available at USD 15 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.



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M. SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

ITEM	COST	OBS.		DATE
Required fees			NoR	
Entry fee per competitor	USD 600		6.1	50% July 15 50% at registration
Entry fee per adult	USD 600		6.1	50% July 15 50% at registration
Support boat fee	USD 500 per boat	USD 500 per team. Fuel not included.	15.2	50% July 15 50% at registration
Damage deposit per support boat	USD 100	Refundable.	15.4	
Charter Optimist fee	USD 500 per boat		16.6	50% June 1 50% July 1
Charter Optimist damage deposit	USD 100	Refundable.	16.8	
Measurement	USD 50	For unmeasured sails.	9.9	
Additional optional fees			Add. Info.	
Accommodation	Approx 50 per person	For early arrivals.	B1	
Charter Optimist fee	No extra cost	For early arrivals.	D1	
Support boat	USD 60 per boat per day	For early arrivals. Fuel not included.	C1	
Transportation Airport-Cub	USD 50 per person	Each way.	E2	
Surcharge	20%	For late payments.	C2, D2	



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APPENDIX 1: RACE AREA AND VENUE

Address venue: Marina Yasmine Hammamet

Address hotel: Hotel Marina Palace
Yasmine Hammamet

