



ERC Nile International Sailing Opti Regatta

Nile, Egypt April 15 – 18

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The 2020 ERC Nile International Sailing Regatta is organized by the Egyptian Rowing & Water Sports Club ERC – Cairo Zone under the authority of the Egyptian Sailing & Water ski Federation (ESWF) and the Ministry of youth and sport.

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1 The Championship will be governed by the ‘rules’ as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply

The first three sentences of RRS 61.1(a) are changed to “A boat intending to protest shall inform the other boat at the first reasonable opportunity. When her protest will concern an incident in the racing area that she was involved in or saw she shall hail “Protest”. She shall inform the Race Committee at the finishing line immediately after finishing of the boat/s being protested, or as soon as practicable after she retires.”

1.3 The first sentence of RRS 40 is deleted and replaced by: “Each competitor shall 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.”

1.4 Add to the preamble of Part 4, after ‘racing’: “except rule 40 as amended by Sailing Instruction 1.4.1”.

1.5 In all rules governing this championship, both “athlete” and “competitor” mean a person competing in the event. The term “support person” means a person as defined in RRS.

1.6 In all rules governing this championship:

[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing

- 1.7 Rule changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.8 English is the Official Language of the Championship. If there is a conflict between languages, the language of the original version of the relevant document will take precedence.

1 [NP][DP] ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Sailor advertising is permitted on the hull as per World Sailing Regulation 20.3.2 but as restricted by Class Rule 2.8.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

2 [NP][DP] 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.

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The Championship is open to competitors sailing on boats of the Optimist class that fulfil the eligibility requirements stated below.
- 4.2 The race is open to competitors in the Optimist class who comply with WORLD SAILING Regulation 19.
- 4.3 For Entry Visa purposes, it is essential to receive the following data NOT later than the [25th of February 2020](#): full name of the Participants (sailor, coach, team leader, supporter, family, friend, etc.) (as per passport); passport number, date and place of issue, expiry date and a photocopy of passport showing identification photograph.
- 4.4 Competitors shall have been born:

[Optimist - born in 2005 or later](#)

[Optimist junior under 11 - born in .2009 or later](#)

4 CLASSIFICATION

No classification requirements will apply (see RRS 79).

5 CHARTER BOATS

- 6.1 Charter boats are mandatory for non-Egyptian teams.
- 6.2 The charter boats will be provided by the Organizing Committee and will be allocated on a random basis to competitors.
- 6.3 Competitors shall not modify the boats or cause them to be modified in any way except that a compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars; Wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat; Hulls, dagger boards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water; Adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and all fittings or equipment

designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided that the Class Rules are complied with.

- 6.4 Competitors may use their own foils, spars, fittings and running rigging.
- 6.5 Charter boats will be complete with blocks, airbag, racing spars, racing foils, mainsheet, padded toe straps, trolley, bowlines, bailers and paddles. Sails will not be provided.
- 6.6 Refundable damage deposit of 100\$ USD per sailor will be collected during the registration.

6 FEES

7.1 Sailors entry fees – Package

Race package: Wednesday April 15 Th – Saturday April 19th for **Three nights** = 350 USD Note: This Entry Fees Package includes - Boat Charter only for Sailors, Registration fees, Transportation from /to air port, Food, Accommodation (from 12:00 on Wednesday 15th of April until 19th on Saturday in double or triple rooms).

7.2 Coach boat

Support Charter Ribs: Boat charter is available from the Organizing Committee upon request on the basis first come – shared boats, first served at a fee of \$100 for each team with petrol for the three racing days during the period of the Race.

7 ENTRY

- 7.3 Eligible boats may enter by [complete the entry form, pay the entry fee etc] by [date]
- 7.4 Entries may be accepted after the closing date at the discretion of the organizing authority

8 REGATTA FORMAT

The Regatta will consist of Single Series with 9 races

9 PROGRAM

9.1 Schedule

Wednesday 15 April	Early Arrival and Measurement
Thursday 16 April	Official Arrival Day 08:00-10:00 Registration & Measurement 10:00 Team Leaders Meeting Opening Ceremony 12:00 Races
Friday 17 April	09:00 Team Leaders Meeting 12:00 Races
Saturday 18 April	09:00 Team Leaders Meeting 12:00 Races Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony.

Sunday 19 April	Official Departure Day
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- 9.2 Nine races are scheduled with a maximum of three races per day.
9.3 No warning signal will be made after 17:00 on the last racing day.

10 [DP][NP] Measurements and equipment inspections

- 10.1 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)
- 10.2 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 scrutinised and may be measured by the Technical Committee according to the Measurement Regulations, and approved by the Technical Committee to be complying with the Class Rules.
- 10.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Technical Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 10.4 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 Technical Committee and the substituting equipment has been scrutinised by the Technical Committee.
- 10.5 If the substitution was made on the water between races, both the damaged and the substituting pieces of equipment shall be presented to the Technical Committee after the end of the day's racing. In this case, the substitution is subject to the approval of the Technical Committee given retrospectively.
- 10.6 Boats chartered through the Organising Authority shall carry the national letters of the country entering the chartered boat. This may mean a contravention of the Class Rules, and is allowed by RRS G3.
- 10.7 Hulls chartered through the Organising Committee are exempt from complying with Class Rule 2.4.3 (b) and (c) and hence from Class Rule 2.4.1.

11 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available during registration at the Race Office. Other documents governing the event will be published with the Sailing Instructions.

12 FLEET

Following classes will be competing in the Championship.

Fleets	Age Limit
Optimist	born in .2005 or later
Optimist Junior under 11	born in .2009 or later

13 VENUE

The Regatta will be held at the Egyptian Rowing & Water Sports Club ERC. The racing area will be the waters of Nile river.



14 THE COURSE

The course types will be described in the sailing instructions.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1** Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, will apply.
- 15.2** RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 15.3** An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

16 SCORING

- 16.1** The low point system of RRS Appendix A shall apply.
- 16.2** There will be 9 races in the single series.
- 16.3** Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.4** When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.5** When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17 COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 17.1** All coach and support boats shall be registered with the organizing authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The organizing authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- 17.2** Registered coach and support boats shall conspicuously display their three letters national code (see RRS G1.1). The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm. The letters will not be provided by the Organizing Authority.
- 17.3** Registered coach and support boats shall act as assistance / rescue boats in case of need and shall comply with any instruction given by the Race Committee or the Organizing Authority.

18 PRIZES

- 18.1** Prizes will be awarded to every boat placing first, second and third in each group. More prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing committee. Groups are as follows:

1. General overall placing

2. General overall placing of boys - born in 2005 or later (to be taken out of General overall placing)
3. General overall placing under 11 years of age - born in 2009 or later (to be taken out of General overall placing)
4. General overall placing of girls - born in 2005 or later (to be taken out of General overall placing)

General information (not part of the Notice of Race) Organizing authority:

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Please contact the Organizing Authority in order to check availability.

Accommodation

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