

# Optimist National Championships 2017

## SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 3 Notices to Competitors

- 3.1 Notices will be posted on the official notice board located on the deck of the RIYC.

### 4 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yard arm of the Club's main mast.

### 6 Schedule of Races

- 6.1 The schedule of racing shall be as follows:

#### 6.1.1 Schedule

Date	Time
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	10:30-12:30, 13:30-17:00, 18:30-20:00 Registration
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Opening ceremony 17:30
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Competitor briefing 09:00 Support boat briefing 09:30 1st Warning signal Main fleet 11:25 (2 races scheduled)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	1st Warning signal Main fleet 10:25 (3 races scheduled)
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	1st Warning signal Main fleet 10:25 (3 races scheduled)
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	1st Warning signal Main fleet 10:25 (2 races scheduled)

10 races are scheduled.

- 6.1.2 The time of the first warning signal on Thursday will be 11.25. The time for the first warning signal on subsequent days will be 10.25.
- 6.1.3 The racing schedule will be as above, however the Race Officer may, at their discretion, get one race ahead of schedule but shall not sail more than 4 races on any one day.
- 6.1.4 Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable following the finish of the previous race.

### 9 Racing Areas

- 9.1 Courses will be laid in Dublin Bay in the vicinity of Dun Laoghaire Harbour.
- 9.2 More detailed location information will be advised at the briefing and /or prior to launching each day.

## **11 Marks and Committee/Finishing boats**

- 11.1 The Committee vessel will be a blue catamaran, "The Spirit of The Irish".
- 11.2 The Finishing vessel may be a blue yacht named Winsome Wings located to leeward of the final Gate
- 11.3 The Windward + Gybe + Gate Marks may be large orange inflatables.
- 11.4 The Holding area marks will be orange Dan buoys laid to leeward of, and parallel to, the Start Line.

## **13 The Start**

- 13.1 The starting line will be between a red and white pole on the Committee Boat and an orange coloured Starting Line mast in a Rib at the pin end. (Note that the Rib + mast may be replaced by an inflatable candy-striped mark).
- 13.3.1 Competitors in the Senior Division should stay to leeward of the Holding area marks, as described in SI 11.4, and their extensions, and avoid competitors preparing to start until after the Junior Division has started. [NP][DP]

## **15 The Finish**

- 15.1.1 The Finishing Line will be between a Pole or the mast on the Finishing Boat and a Blue Dan Buoy.

## **16 Penalty System**

- 16.3. Arbitration will not be available.
- 16.5 Whistle System: To encourage boats to take penalties afloat, Jury members may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a rule infringement.

## **19 Protests and Requests for Redress**

- 19.2.1 The Race Office shall be in the Club's Wet Bar.
- 19.4.1 Hearings shall be held in the Library on the lower floor of the Club.

## **20 Scoring**

- 20.2.1 Four races shall be required to constitute a series.
- 20.2.2 (a) When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(b) When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## **26 SUPPORT BOATS [DP]**

- 26.1 All support boats, including coach boats shall remain to leeward of the holding line and its' extensions, as defined in SI 13.3.1, from the time of the first warning signal of the first division or fleet to start a race until all divisions or fleets have started.
- 26.2 In addition, all support boats, including coach boats, shall remain at least 100 metres outside the racing area from the time of the first warning signal of the first division or fleet until the last boat of any division or fleet is no longer racing, unless authorised to do so by the Race Committee.

## **28 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 28.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats other than as set out in the "Draft Protocol for a B3 sailor" which will be posted on the Event website.

## **29 PRIZES**

### **29.1 Overall Event Prizes**

- 29.1.1 Overall event prizes shall be awarded to the first ten competitors in the Gold Fleets of the Senior and Junior Divisions.
- 29.1.2 Overall event prizes shall be awarded to the first five competitors in the Silver Fleets of the Senior and Junior Divisions.
- 29.1.3 The National Senior and Junior Prizes shall be awarded to the best Irish competitor in the relevant Division.
- 29.1.4 The Open Senior and Junior Prizes shall be awarded to the best overall competitor in the relevant Division.

### **29.2 Perpetual Race Prizes**

- 29.2.1 A Perpetual Race Prize shall be awarded to the first competitor in each race completed in each of the Senior and Junior Division.

### **29.3 Daily Prizes**

- 29.3.1 Daily Prizes shall be awarded after each day of racing to the highest ranking three competitors, as per SI 20, in each Division/Fleet (Senior Gold, Senior Silver, Junior Gold, Junior Silver) that have not already been awarded a daily prize.

## 29.3 Additional Prizes

29.3.1 Additional Prizes shall be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority

29.3.2 A full list of all prizes shall be posted on the official notice board as per SI 3.1

### **Attachment A, Courses National and Regional Championships**

The paragraph 'All marks to be left to port' is deleted and replaced by

'All marks to be left to port except Marks 3a and 3b, or 4a and 4b, when they form a gate. At a gate boats shall pass between the marks, leaving 3a (4a) to starboard and 3b (4b) to port, then round either mark.'

Junior Fleet Course description is deleted and replaced by:

#### **Junior Division Course**

Start, Mark 1, 2, gate (3a and 3b), 2, 3b, Finish.

Senior Fleet Course description is deleted and replaced by:

#### **Senior Division Course**

Start Mark 1, gate (4a and 4b, 1, 2, 3b, Finish.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: