



**International Optimist
Class Association (UK)**



2024 GBR OPTIMIST TEAM SELECTION TRIALS SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**3rd - 6th May 2024
Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy**

Organising Authority: International Optimist Class Association (UK) in conjunction with the Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board, which is located at URL:
<https://iocauk.ourclubadmin.com/notice-board.php?event=201>

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main flagpole outside of the WPNSA main building.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Twelve (12) races are scheduled for the event.

5.2 The timings are as follows:

Friday 3rd May 2024	Registration	08.30-09.30
Friday 3rd May 2024	First warning signal	Not before 11.55
Saturday 4th May to Monday 6th May 2024	First warning Signal	10.55

5.3 On Monday 6th May 2024 there will be no warning signal after 15.00 hours.

6 FLEETS AND CLASS SIGNALS

6.1 All competitors shall sail in one fleet.

6.2 The Class Flag shall be IC Flag "O".

7 RACE AREA

7.1 The racing area will be in Portland Harbour or Weymouth Bay.

Boats shall keep more than 100 metres away from vessels over 100 metres in length, vessels at anchor or vessels displaying Flag A (indicating divers in the water). These areas are obstructions as defined in the Rules.

- 7.2 The attention of all competitors, race management personnel and spectators afloat are drawn to the fact that Portland Harbour is a working port and that harbour regulations must be observed. Any directions given by Portland Harbour Authority either in person or by VHF (CH 74) must be complied with without delay. Failure to comply with this instruction may result in a penalty. [DP].
- 7.3 Boats will not transit at any time through the RNSA moorings, which are to the left of the Marina exit as leaving the Marina.

8. THE COURSE

- 8.1 The Worlds course will be used as described in the MEIs Attachment B.
The marks shall be orange inflatable buoys.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.5 Races shall be umpired as described in NOR Addendum A, and as follows:
- 13.5.1 RRS 44.1 applies. A boat may take a Two-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing.
- 13.5.2 Following a protest, an umpire may penalise any boat that has not taken an appropriate penalty (signalled by identifying the boat, and displaying a red flag with a sound signal), or may signal that no boat is penalised (by displaying a green-and-white flag with a sound signal). When an umpire makes such a signal, the protesting boat is not entitled to a hearing. This changes rule 63.1.
- 13.5.3 A boat penalised with a red flag shall take a Two-Turn Penalty. However, when the umpires decide the boat has committed a breach of sportsmanship or gained advantage by her breach, the umpire may further penalise the boat with another red flag signalled at the end of the penalty. A boat that knows she has broken a rule and is not exonerated, and does not take a penalty, commits a breach of sportsmanship.
- 13.5.4 An umpire may also signal a red flag penalty on a boat for a breach of rule 31 (Touching a Mark), or rule 2 (Sportsmanship), and for failure to take an umpire-signalled penalty or gaining advantage despite taking a penalty. No protest is required.
- 13.5.5 If a boat protests, and either no umpire makes a signal, or an umpire displays a white flag to indicate "no umpire decision", the boat is entitled to a hearing.
- 13.5.6 No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action of an umpire.

17 SAFETY

- 17.4 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.5.1 MEI 18.5 A safety tally system will be in operation.
- 17.5.1 The tally control point will be by the WPNSA picnic tables, adjacent to the dinghy park.
- 17.5.3 Competitors shall individually check-out before racing by personally going to the tally control point and giving their tally number to advise they are going racing.
- 17.5.4 Competitors shall individually check-in immediately on returning to shore by personally going to the tally control point and giving their tally number to advise they are ashore. This must be done no later than 10 minutes after the last boat has come ashore.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 Requests for replacement of equipment shall be made at the race office during the event.

21 OFFICIAL VESSELS

21.1 The identification for the Jury boats shall be a grey flag with the word "JURY" on it. The IOCA Class Coach & Selectors RIB has the status of an Official boat and shall be identified by a yellow flag with letter C. This changes MEI 21.1.

22 SUPPORT VESSELS AND SUPPORT PERSONS

22.1 MEI Attachment D applies.

22.2 Between 09.30 on Friday 3 May and the conclusion of the prize-giving on Monday 6 May, support persons shall not enter the 'quiet zone' in the dinghy park, shown as Zone 3 on the venue map.