



New Zealand International
Optimist Dinghy Association
**OPTIMIST NATIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIP**

The OWNZ Trust

Optimist National Interclub Team Racing Championship 2019

Friday 19th April 2019
Murrays Bay, Auckland

The Organising Authority is
The New Zealand International Optimist Dinghy Association
in association with Murrays Bay Sailing Club

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020.
- 1.2. Races will be umpired.
Racing rules are changes as follow:
- 1.3. Appendix D will apply. RRS D1.1(d) will not apply.
- 1.4. Sailors shall supply their own red protest flag
- 1.5. When a boat starts and finishes, and breaks RRS 28.1 by failing to sail the course described in Sailing Instructions, 10 points shall be added at her score without a hearing. This changes RRS A5, *Scores Determined by the Race Committee*.
- 1.6. The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1, shall apply.
- 1.7. Appendix G3, *Chartered or Loaned Boats*, will apply.
- 1.8. The Organising Authority may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20, *Advertising Code*.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is limited to 24 teams.
- 2.2. To be eligible to compete in the 2019 NZIODA Optimist National Interclub Team Racing Championship, each competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by Yachting New Zealand and a financial member of NZIODA and have a valid entry. All sailors shall be entered in the 2019 TOYOTA New Zealand Optimist Open Championship and boats shall that have all valid measurement certificates. Sailors shall sail the same hull and sail number that they are sailing in the 2019 TOYOTA New Zealand Optimist Open Championship. Sailors may use alternative sails and foils which shall be presented to the Equipment Inspection on the Thursday and noted that they are for the use in Team Racing only.
- 2.3. Each team shall consist of four or five sailors. All sailors shall be representing the same club in The 2019 New Zealand Optimist National Championship. See also 2.5.

- 2.4. The event will be between four boat teams. For teams of five competitors, any four may compete in a race.
- 2.5. Composite teams will only be permitted if a club has less than 4 sailors entered in the NZIODA Optimist National Championship or at the discretion of organizers. Dispensation to this requirement will be at the sole discretion of NZIODA.
- 2.6. This is the national club team-racing event. Priority will be given to first teams from each club. Each club that wishes to enter a team shall submit an entry form detailing the sailors in their team. A club may submit more than one team entry. A sailor may only be entered in one team. Teams will be prioritised and seeded in accordance with the latest results of the 2019 NZIODA Optimist National Championship, or if fewer than 3 races have been sailed the latest NZIODA Ranking List will be used.
- 2.7. Entries should be made online www.MurraysBay.org until Monday 15th April.
- 2.8. There will be an entry fee of \$100 per team, payable on Registration at the Regatta.
- 2.9. The 2019 NZIODA Optimist National Interclub Team Racing Championship is compulsory for all sailors aiming for selection for NZIODA travelling teams to IODA World and Continental championships. Any exceptions are at the discretion of NZIODA.

3. EVENT SCHEDULE

3.1.

Event	Day	Time
Safety Inspection, Equipment Inspection and Registration	Thursday	1000 to 1700 1930 to 2030
Welcome		1800
Coaches Briefing		1900
Sailors Briefing	Friday	0900
Team racing – Time of first warning signal		1000

- 3.2. Each Team shall have a representative at the Coaches and Managers Meeting.
- 3.3. No warning signal will be made after 1700 on the day racing takes place.

4. FORMAT

- 4.1. The event will be between four boat teams. For teams of five competitors, any four may compete in a race, provided that the fifth competitor (who is not scored) remains in the area designated for coaches, or ashore, from the warning signal of that race until that race has been completed.

5. RACING AREAS

- 5.1. The racing area is on the waters off Murrays Bay.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Sailing instructions will be provided to the team captain and or coach at coaches meeting. Included in the instructions will be the format of racing and team identifiers.

7. THE COURSE

- 7.1. Course to be sailed will be the optimist teams racing starboard hand "S" course. The target time to complete the course will be ten minutes per race.

8. SCORING

- 8.1. If for any reasons some flights cannot be sailed, the four best places will be allocated to the teams that have qualified for the flights, the order will be determined according to their positions at the end of the previous stage.

9. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 9.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules, the Notice of Race and the Team Racing Sailing Instructions.

10. COACH BOATS

- 10.1. Coach boats shall remain anchored within the designated waiting area unless otherwise directed by the Race Committee and/or Umpires for safety purposes
- 10.2. Each coach boat is required to carry a working VHF radio and have it on and tuned to the designated channel

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. The official prize giving will take place as soon as possible after the last race on the last day of the 2019 TOYOTA New Zealand Optimist Open Championship.
- 11.2. The following trophies will be awarded
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| 1 st NZL Team | The Optimist National Team Racing Trophy |
| 1 st International Team | International Teams Trophy |

12. RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. RRS 4, *Decision to Race*, states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and the responsible adult agrees and acknowledges that:
- They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
 - Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information:

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