



2020 NSW & OPEN OPTIMIST CHAMPIONSHIPS

5 – 6 December 2020

Rescheduled

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority

**New South Wales International Optimist Dinghy Association in
conjunction with Middle Harbour Yacht Club**



LOWER PARRIWI ROAD, THE SPIT, MOSMAN, 2088

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NSW International Optimist Dinghy Association in conjunction with Middle Harbour Yacht Club as the Organising Authority will conduct the 2020 NSW & Open Optimist Championships on the waters of Port Jackson, New South Wales from 5-6 December 2020.

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 2- Off the Beach Classes and AS Prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The Rules of the International Optimist Dinghy Association (IODA) will apply to the Open and Intermediate fleets only.
- 1.4 The World Sailing Introductory Rules of Sailing (Feb 2008) will apply to the Green Fleet. **Limited** on-water coaching for all Green Fleet sailors will be provided by the Organising Authority.
- 1.5 The Race Committee, Competitors and other their supporters must, while supporting or participating in this regatta, maintain and enforce complete compliance with:
 - a) All current and applicable COVID-19 related Government health directions and guidance,
 - b) All applicable COVID-19 guidance issued by Australian Sailing, and
 - c) The MHYC COVID Safe Plan as extant at the time.

2. Advertising

- 2.1 Advertising will be permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20- Advertising Code as limited by the Class Rules. The forward 30% of the hull and the blunt bow is reserved by the regatta organising committee for display of advertising by event sponsor(s).
- 2.2 All boats in Intermediate and Green Fleets will be required to display a fleet ribbon to their boat's sprit with at least 60cm free flying. Fleet ribbons will be issued by the Organising Authority and will available for collection at registration.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist Class that comply with the Class Rules of the International Optimist Dinghy Association. For the Green Fleet, optimist type boats which do not have a measurement certificate, will be permitted at the discretion of the Race Committee provided they satisfy a safety inspection at registration (refer to item 6.).
- 3.2 All entrants shall have a birth year of 2005 or later. All ages referred to in this NOR are the sailor's age as at 31 December 2020 otherwise known as 'Opti Age'.
- 3.3 Entries for any Fleet may be transferred to a different Fleet at registration if in the sole opinion of the Organising Authority the sailor's experience or ability warrants a transfer. To assist in selecting the correct fleet to enter please read the "Which Fleet" document on the event website.
- 3.4 All skippers shall be financial members of the NSWIODA or another state / national association recognised by IODA. **Sailors are reminded that all NSWIODA memberships expired on Friday 27th March 2020 and must be renewed as part of the entry to this regatta.**
- 3.5 All skippers shall be a member of an Australian Sailing affiliated sailing club. International entrants will also need to provide proof of membership to their country's World Sailing Member National Authority.
- 3.6 Entry may be made online via www.optinsw.org.au until the close of on-time entries at 1800hrs on the 27th November 2020.
- 3.7 Late entries will be accepted online until 1800 hours on 4th December 2020. A late entry fee of \$60 will apply.

4. Race Entry Fees

4.1 Required race entry fees are as follows:

NSWIODA Membership for NSW/ACT Sailors	\$80
Entry fee- Open & Intermediate Fleets (up to 27/11/2020)	\$120
Late Entry (from 27/11/2020)	\$180
Entry fee- Green Fleet (up to 27/11/2020)	\$70
Late Entry (from 27/11/2020)	\$130

5. Schedule of Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Friday 27 th November	1800 hrs	Close of on-time entry
Saturday 5 th December	0830-1100 hrs	Registration & Safety Check
	1115 hrs	Coach & Support Boat briefing
	1120 hrs	Competitor briefing
	1230 hrs	First warning signal
	ASAP hrs	Back to back racing
Sunday 6 th December	1100 hrs	First warning signal
	ASAP hrs	Back to back racing
	1530 hrs	No warning signal after
	ASAP hrs	Championship prize giving

6. Measurement

- 6.1 Boats may be inspected for safety equipment and measurement compliance at any time during the regatta.
- 6.2 All boats must present their IODA Measurement Book, sail measurement certificate and completed Measurement/Safety Checklist at registration for compliance check. Boats which are unable to present their valid measurement book will be required to complete the application for a replacement /registration update as a condition of entry.

7. Sailing Instructions

Limited printed copies of the sailing instructions will be available at registration and on the internet (www.optinsw.org.au) after 3rd December 2020.

8. Venue

The regatta will be hosted by Middle Harbour Yacht Club on the waters of Port Jackson.

9. Courses

The courses to be sailed may consist of trapezoid or windward/leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions. Green Fleet may sail triangular or windward/leeward courses.

10. Scoring

- 10.1 A maximum of seven (7) races for Open Fleet and six (6) races for Intermediate Fleet will be conducted over two (2) days of racing.
- 10.2 When less than 6 races are completed a boat's series score shall be the sum of all races.
- 10.3 When 6 or 7 races are completed a boat's series score shall be the sum of all race scores excluding her worst result.

11. Support Boats

- 11.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least **75 metres** outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first division to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 11.2 Support boats shall not signal to competitors by any means during a race.
- 11.3 Support boats are required to render assistance if requested to do so by the race committee or a competitor.
- 11.4 Further limitations **may** be placed on the access of support and coach boats to Green Fleet sailors during on-water sessions, as a standard practice support and coach boats are not permitted to approach Green Fleet sailors, except in an emergency to render assistance, during an on-water session.

12. Radio Communications

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and other means of electronic communication.

13. Venue Access

Access to, and optimist storage at the venue will be available from 3pm Friday 4th December until 1200hrs Monday 7th December. Access to storage outside of these dates must be arranged on an individual basis with the venue and may incur an additional storage fee. All RHIB/support or coach boat storage arrangements must be made in advance with the MHYC Sailing Office. Note that RHIBs cannot launch from MHYC, the closest boat ramps are located at Tunks Park Northbridge, or under the Roseville Bridge (Garigal National Park- day fee applies).

14. Buoyancy Devices

In accordance with the AS Special Regulations, Part 2 (Off the Beach Classes), a PFD must be worn by competitors at all times while afloat.

15. Penalty System

- 15.1 Appendix P, as amended by the Sailing Instructions, shall apply.
- 15.2 The Organising Authority may apply for the appointment of a National Jury and if granted decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

16. Prizes

- 16.1 Trophies for the Open Fleet will be given as follows:
- 1st Place NSW Skipper (State Champion)
 - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Male and Female Skippers
 - 1st 11yr Old Skipper
 - 1st 10yr Old Skipper
- 16.2 Trophies for the Intermediate Fleet will be given as follows:
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd Male and Female Skippers
- 16.3 The NSWIODA Encouragement Award will be awarded to a sailor in Open or Intermediate Fleet.
- 16.4 The NSWIODA Club Participation Award will be presented to the Club with the most entries across all fleets.
- 16.5 The NSWIODA Class Development Award will be presented to a Club or individual in recognition of efforts to promote and grow the class.
- 16.4 Achievement awards may be presented to Green Fleet sailors.
- 16.5 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

17. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn to RRS rule 4, Decision to race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

18. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of not less than AUD \$5,000,000 (recommended AUD \$10,000,000).

19. Further Information

For further information please contact:

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Green Fleet Safety Check

Sailor's Name: _____

Sail Number: _____

In green fleet the focus is getting out there and having fun. This means that only the things that keep you safe are included here. When you go to silver or open fleet there are more things to fill out.

If you have any questions, ask the event measurer or one of the organisers. **HAVE FUN!**

Documents

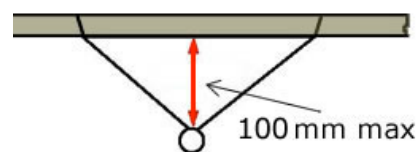
Boat Measurement Book	Not Required
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*Please bring your boat measurement book to registration

Safety Check

Check off that all the following are OK

Item	Requirement	✓
PFD	Serviceable	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whistle	Tied to PFD	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bow line	8m long, floats	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buoyancy bags	Serviceable and secured	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bag straps	No deterioration	<input type="checkbox"/>
Centreboard	Can be tied in	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mast	Can be tied in	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paddle	Tied in	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bailer	1 litre, tied in	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mainsheet clip**	Quick release	<input type="checkbox"/>
Boom Strop*	Max 100mm from boom	<input type="checkbox"/>



* To prevent sailors being caught, the strop/bridle must be a maximum of 100mm from the boom



** This is the preferred type of mainsheet clip as sailors cannot be caught and it is easily released. **If you have a different type of clip, see the event measurer.**

I have checked that all of the above safety items to ensure they are properly fitted and in serviceable condition and that my boat is **READY TO GO!**

Sailor's Signature

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Equipment Declaration Form

Sailor's Name: _____

OPEN FLEET

or

Sail Number: _____

INTERMEDIATE
FLEET

Serial Numbers

Item	Serial Number
Hull (WS #)	
Sail (sail button)	
Rudder	
Centreboard	

Item	Serial Number
Mast	
Boom	
Sprit	

Documents

Boat Measurement Book	Yes / No*
Sail Measurement Certificate	Yes / No*

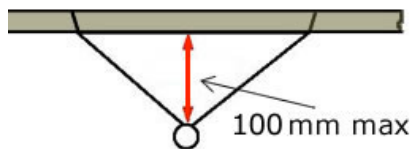
*The boat measurement book must be presented with this form.
If the book is not presented or incorrectly registered, see the event measurer.

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Check off that all the following are OK

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This is the preferred snap shackle as sailors cannot be caught and it is easily released. If you have a different clip, see the event measurer.

I declare that the Optimist and equipment referred to in this document to be fully compliant with the International Optimist class rules and will not be changed during the event except as allowed by the Class Rules, SI & NOR.

Sailor's Signature