



SUNDAY OPTIMIST SPRING SERIES
Royal Bermuda Yacht Club (RBYC)
May 7th, 21st, June 22nd 11th, 25th 2023

Including NoR Amendment #1 – modifications in red.

Including NoR Amendment #2 – modifications in green.

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The series is organized by the Bermuda Optimist Dinghy Association (BODA).

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The series will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. The Optimist Class Rules, found at www.optiworld.org, shall apply.
- 1.3. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 1.4. The following shall apply and may be found at www.boda.bm: BODA Liability Waiver, BODA Parent Code of Conduct.

2. COMMUNICATION

- 2.1. The series Official Notice Board (ONB) is located here:
<https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/5908/event?name=sunday-optimist-spring-series>.
- 2.2. As a courtesy, a WhatsApp Group will be used to alert boats and support persons of ONB changes. Boats and support persons are encouraged to [join](#) this group.
All support person vessels shall have a functional VHF radio for RRS 37 purposes. The channel to be monitored while in the course area is VHF69.

3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available on the ONB before 1700 May 4th, 2023.

4. ADVERTISING

- 4.1. Sailor advertising is permitted on the hull as per World Sailing Regulation 20.3.2 but as restricted by Class Rule 2.8.

5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1. The series is open to competitors sailing on boats of the Optimist class who are members of BODA.

6. ENTRY

- 6.1. Entries will only be accepted via the Entry Form, which can be accessed from the ONB.
- 6.2. The closing date/time for entries will be 1700 ADT Thu May 4th, 2023. Entries after this time may be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 6.3. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete the entry form.

7. FEES

- 7.1. There shall be no fee.



8. FORMAT OF SERIES

- 8.1. Competitors shall expect at least 4 races per scheduled day. Races will be started back-to-back.
- 8.2. Coaching is permitted for the last 3rd of the fleet in each race.

9. SCHEDULE

- 9.1. Competitors briefing will be on the RBYC dock at 1200 each race day. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1300.
- 9.2. No warning signal will be made after 1600 on each day.
- 9.3. Schedule:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Class - Optimist</i>
Sun May 7 th 2023	Racing
Sun May 21 st 2023	Racing
Sun June 22nd 11 th 2023	Racing
Sun June 25 th 2023	Racing

10. VENUE

The series will be held at the RBYC and the racing areas may include the Great Sound, Granaway Deep, or Hamilton Harbour.

11. COURSES

- 11.1. The courses may include Windward/Leeward and/or IODA Trapezoid.

12. SCORING

- 12.1. 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2. When 6-11 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12.3. When more than 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1. Prizes will not be awarded.

14. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 14.1. Support Person vessels shall check-in with the Race Committee (RC) before the start of the first race and shall declare the competitors and fleets with whom they are associated.
- 14.2. Support Persons are required to provide at minimum ratio of 1 safety boat for every 6 boats they are associated with. All competitors shall be associated with on water coaching or support.

15. RISK STATEMENT

- 15.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.



16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1. Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk and responsibility. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The OA, Host Club, Race Committee and volunteers acting in an official capacity will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

17. INSURANCE

Each boat shall carry Third Party Liability Insurance with a minimum of US /BD \$250,000 coverage per incident.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1. For further information please contact:

Race Committee

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19. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors grant the OA, Host Club, event sponsors, media outlets, and competitors national class associations the perpetual right to use and publish their names, likeness, voice, and image in any photography, audio, or video recordings, or other reproductions made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue until their final departure, without compensation.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE