

# 2023 BODA WORLDS, NORTH AMERICANS & EUROPEANS TRIALS Bermuda Optimist Dinghy Association (BODA) Feb 18-19, Mar 11-12 2023 Royal Bermuda Yacht Club

# ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA)

The regatta is organized by the Bermuda Optimist Dinghy Association (BODA); hosted by the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club (RBYC).

# NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a). The notation '[DP]' means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

# 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. The Optimist Class Rules, found at <u>www.optiworld.org</u>, shall apply.
- 1.3. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1. The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available on the Official Noticeboard (ONB) before 1700 Feb 16th, 2022.

# 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The ONB is located at: <u>https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/5341/event</u>
- 3.2. As a courtesy, a WhatsApp Group will be used to alert boats and support persons of official noticeboard changes. Boats and support persons are encouraged to join this group: <u>https://chat.whatsapp.com/I6IOfsr9u0OKt2OYg4VDuQ</u>
- 3.3. All support person vessels shall have a functional VHF radio for RRS 37 purposes. The channel to be monitored will be stated in the SIs.

#### 4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats of the Optimist class that are members of BODA.
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing and submitting the Entry Form located at: https://boda.bm/.
- 4.3. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees before close of entry.
- 4.4. Late entries may be accepted after the close of entries only at the discretion of the OA with payment of the Late Entry Fee. Late entries should contact <a href="mailto:secretary@boda.bm">secretary@boda.bm</a> directly.
- 4.5. To be considered for trials team selection, a competitor shall submit a signed Trials Team Selection document to the class Secretary before Sat Feb 18th 2023 @ 0900. Documents are available from <a href="mailto:secretary@boda.bm">secretary@boda.bm</a>.

#### 5. FEES

5.1. The entry fee is \$30 per boat. The late entry fee is \$60.

#### 6. ADVERTISING

6.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.



# 7. SCHEDULE

#### 7.1.

Date	Class - Optimist
Thu Feb 16 <sup>th</sup> 2023 @ 1200	Close of Entries
Sat Feb 18 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Racing
Sun Feb 19 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Racing
Sat Mar 11 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Racing
Sun Mar 12 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Racing

#### 7.2. Number of Races:

Class	Total Races	Scheduled per Day	Max per Day
Optimist	12	3	4

7.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1030.

7.4. On each scheduled day of racing no warning signal shall be made after 1600.

7.5. A Competitor Briefing will be posted before 0900 each race day on the ONB.

# 8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1. Boats may be inspected at any time.
- 8.2. [DP] Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1.

# 9. VENUE

9.1. Addendum RA shows the location of the racing areas.

#### 10. COURSES

10.1. The course will be an outer-loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg.

# 11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1. Appendix P "Special Procedures for rule 42" will apply. P2.2 "Second Penalty" is changed to "Second and Subsequent Penalties". There will also be an addition to the end of the first sentence, "unless her penalty is signaled after she finishes, in which case she shall promptly notify a race committee finish boat that she is retiring". Appendix P2.3 will not apply.

#### 12. SCORING

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

# **13. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

- 13.1. Support persons shall register their vessels with the OA prior to racing and shall declare the boats with whom they are associated.
- 13.2. Support persons are required to provide a minimum ratio of 1 safety boat for every 10 boats they are associated with.



# 14. RISK STATEMENT

14.1. 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.

#### **15. INSURANCE**

15.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of BMD 250,000 per incident or the equivalent.

#### **16. FURTHER INFORMATION**

16.1. For further information please contact:

BODA Secretary Dede Cooper secretary@boda.bm