



# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## OPTIMIST OPEN HUNGARIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

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BALATONI  
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Organizing authority: Balatoni Yacht Club, in cooperation with the Hungarian Yachting Association

### NOTATIONS:

**[DP]** The penalty for a breach of this rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

**[NP]** A rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

### 1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). Other documents under RRS Definition: Rule (g) include:

- (a) the Regatta Regulations of the Hungarian Yachting Association,
- (b) the Advertising Code of the Hungarian Yachting Association,
- (c) RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, and
- (d) RRS Appendix T, Arbitration.

1.2 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

### 2. [DP] CODE OF CONDUCT

2.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.

### 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices will be posted at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/7206/event?name=optimist-nyilt-orszagos-bajnoksag-2023>. Failure to post or delay in posting a notice on the website will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

### 4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 Except for changes to the schedule of races, changes to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than two hours before the scheduled time of the first race affected.

### 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals ashore will be displayed on the signal mast of the Balatoni Yacht Club.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

### 6. FORMAT

6.1 Boats will be split into two fleets and will sail a qualifying series followed by a final series as described below:

#### 6.2. QUALIFYING SERIES

- i. For the qualifying series boats will be assigned to fleets of, as near as possible, equal size and ability.
- ii. Initial assignments will be posted by 08:30 on 27 September 2023 based on the national ranking list available at [www.optimist.hu](http://www.optimist.hu) at the start of registration. Boats not included in the national ranking list

- will be assigned by a seeding committee appointed by the organizing authority.
- iii. In the qualifying series, when at least two races have been completed boats will be reassigned to fleets after each day of racing. If all fleets have completed the same number of races, boats will be reassigned on the basis of their ranks in the series. If all fleets have not completed the same number of races, the series scores for reassignment will be calculated for those races, numbered in order of completion, completed by all fleets.
  - iv. Reassignments will be made as follows:

Rank in Series	Fleet Assignment
1 <sup>st</sup>	yellow
2 <sup>nd</sup>	blue
3 <sup>rd</sup>	blue
4 <sup>th</sup>	yellow
And so on	

- v. Reassignments will be based on the ranking available at 21:00 that day regardless of pro- tests or requests for redress not yet decided.
- vi. If all fleets have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, the fleets with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all fleets have completed the same number of races. All boats will thereafter race in the new fleets.
- vii. If at the end of the qualifying series a qualifying series fleet has completed more races than the other, any extra races will be abandoned so that all boats in the qualifying series have the same number of race scores.

### 6.3. FINAL SERIES

- i. When at least four races have been completed in the qualifying series, boats will be assigned to final series fleets on the basis of their ranks in the qualifying series. There will be the same number of fleets in the final series as there were in the qualifying series.
- ii. The final series fleets will be, as nearly as possible, of equal size but so that the silver fleet is not larger than the gold fleet. Boats with the best qualifying series ranks will race all final series races in the gold fleet; other boats will race in the silver fleet.
- iii. After boats have been assigned to final series fleets, any recalculation of qualifying series ranking will not affect the assignments except that a redress decision may promote a boat to the gold fleet.
- iv. Different final series fleets need not have completed the same number of final races. The boats in the gold fleet will be ranked higher, except for a boat disqualified from a final series race under RRS 5, 6 or 69.

## 7. RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area is shown in Addendum 1.

## 8. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 8.1 The schedule of races, including the time of the daily first warning signals is shown below

	Csoport	Figyelmeztető jelzés	Futamok száma #
27, September 2023	Yellow	09:55	max. 3
	Blue	10:05	max. 3
28, September 2023	Yellow	09:55	max. 3
	Blue	10:05	max. 3
29, September 2023	Yellow	09:55	max. 3
	Blue	10:05	max. 3
30, September 2023	Gold	09:55	max. 3
	Silver	10:05	max. 3
1, October 2023	Gold	09:55	max. 3
	Silver	10:05	max. 3

- 8.2 To change the schedule of races, an update to SI 8.1 will be posted no later than 20:00 on the previous evening of any race affected.
- 8.3 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:00.

## 9. CLASS FLAGS

9.1 Class flags are described in the table below.

Class / Fleet	Flag
Optimist / yellow, gold	flag with yellow background
Optimist / blue, silver	flag with blue background

## 10. [DP] IDENTIFICATION

10.1 As provided by the organizing authority, boats or competitors shall carry, display or wear the following as instructed below:

- (a) coloured ribbons corresponding to fleets, and
- (b) bow no. stickers
- (c) trackers

10.2 While racing each boat shall display a coloured ribbon corresponding to the fleet to which she has been assigned. The ribbon shall be placed on the top of the sprit. The ribbons will be issued at registration and if ribbons are lost or damaged spares will be available at the race office.

## 11. THE COURSE

11.1 The course will be trapezoid. The diagram in Addendum 2 shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

11.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg. Failure to display the compass bearing will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 12. MARKS

12.1 Marks 1, 2, 3s and 3p will be red inflated cylinders.

12.2 The starting marks will be race committee boats.

12.3 The finishing marks will be a race committee boat and a yellow buoy.

12.4 When a gate mark is missing, the mark in position shall be left to port.

12.5 The physical numbering of the marks is not relevant.

## 13. THE START

13.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.

13.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

13.3 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The starting area is defined as the area 50 meters from the starting line in all directions.

13.4 A boat that does not start within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

13.5 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.

## 14. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

14.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing mark) to a new position.

## 15. THE FINISH

15.1 The finishing line will be a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark on the starboard end and the course side of the portend finishing mark.

## 16. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

16.1 Time limits and target times (in minutes) are as follows.

Class	Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
Optimist	75	25	20	45

If no boat rounds Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race committee shall abandon the race. Failure



- to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 16.2 Any boat that does not finish within the Finish Window (time after the first boat finishes) shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

## 17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 Protest forms are available at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/7206/event?name=optimist-nyilt-orszagos-bajnoksag-2023>. Protests and requests for redress and reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.2 The protest time limit for each fleet will be 75 minutes after
- the last boat has finished the last race of the day, or
  - the display of "AP over A" or "N over A".
- However, when "AP over A" is displayed ashore, the protest time limit will be 30 minutes after displaying the signal. Where more of the above cases apply, the protest time limit will be whichever the latest.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted as soon as possible after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room near the race office.
- 17.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 17.5 A list of boats that have been penalized under RRS Appendix P for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- 17.6 On the last day of a series, a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 17.7 In RRS 66 change 'On the last scheduled day of racing...' to 'On the last day of a series ...'

## 18. SCORING

- 18.1 To request a correction of an alleged error in posted results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

## 19. [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 Boats not leaving the harbour for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the race office.
- 19.2 A boat that retires from racing
- shall notify the race committee before leaving the racing area if possible, or
  - shall notify the race office as soon as possible.

## 20. [DP] REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## 21. OFFICIAL BOATS

- 21.1 Official boats will be identified as follows.

Type of boat	Identification
Race Committee	RC on a white background
Protest Committee	JURY on a yellow background
Media	PRESS on a white background

- 21.2 Actions by official boats shall not be grounds for requesting redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

## 22. SUPPORT BOAT RESTRICTED AREAS

- 22.1 Support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and shall not be
- closer than 100 m to any boat racing,
  - within 100 m to leeward of the starting line or within 100 m of its marks from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have left the starting area or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment,
  - between any boat racing and the next mark of the course,
  - within 100 m of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark, and
  - within 100 m of the finishing line while boats are finishing.
- 22.2 Support boats shall proceed around the racing area in such a way to avoid any wash that will impact boats racing. Boats that are motoring above five knots shall remain at least 150 m from any boat racing.

22.3 The restrictions in SI 22.1 and 22.2 shall not apply for a support boat giving help to a boat or competitor in danger.

22.4 If flag V is displayed on the race committee signal boat, support boats shall follow any directions of the race committee. These directions override any conflicting rules concerning support boats and support persons.

**23. TRASH DISPOSAL**

23.1 Trash may be placed aboard support and official boats.

**24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

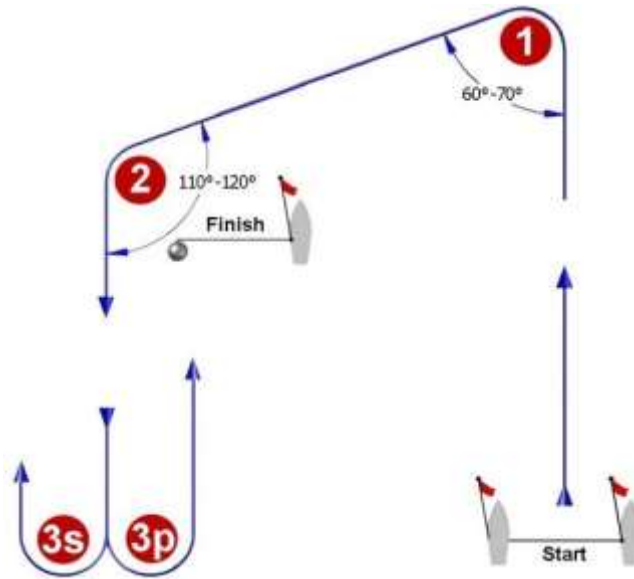
24.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## ADDENDUM 1 – RACING AREA



GPS	VHF CHANNEL
46.950757, 18.002341	80 ch

## ADDENDUM 2 – COURSE DIAGRAM



**Mark rounding order:** Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – Finish



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