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Dear sailors / parents,

Re: Notice 2 for Optimist Asian and Oceanian Championship 2021 Selection Trial

We regret to inform you that the Selection Trial for Optimist Asian and Oceanian Championship 2021 (Pattaya, Thailand) on 28 & 29 August 2021 will be postponed.

This is due to the new Safe Management Measures for Sport and Physical Exercise & Activity Following Mid-point Review of Phase 2 (Heightened Alert) released on 18 August 2021. The latest measures set a limit on the number of participants of unvaccinated sailors who are 12 years old and under.

The percentage of sailors who signed up for the trials to date that are 11 years old and under is 40%. Therefore we are unable to hold a fair trial with almost half the sailors excluded due to the latest measures.

We are also reviewing the decision whether to send a team to the IODA Asian and Oceanian Championships considering the current COVID-19 situation in Thailand, where daily infection count is above 20,000. A decision will be made and communicated nearer to date, together with information on an updated selection criteria and new selection trial dates, if any.

We are trying our best within the current situation to make plans for our sailors. We apologise for any inconvenience caused and we seek your continued support and patience.

Thank you.

With regards,



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