



**International Optimist Dinghy Association of
Ireland**
IODAI Leinster Championships
16th and 17th June 2018



The Organising Authority is the Howth Yacht Club in conjunction with the International Optimist Dinghy Association of Ireland (IODAI).

SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted on the official notice board located on the Official Notice Board under the archway at the entrance to HYC.

2 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the top of the ramp to the marina in front of the clubhouse.

3 SCHEDULE

Six races are scheduled:

Friday 15 th June	18:00 – 20:00	Registration
	09:00 – 10:45	Registration
	10.15	Coach and Support Boat Safety Briefing
	10.45	Competitor Briefing for Juniors and Senior Fleets
Saturday 16 th June	11.30	Competitor Briefing for Regatta Fleet
	12.25	First Warning Signal
		3 Races back to back
Sunday 17 th June	10.25	First Warning Signal
		3 Races back to back

One extra race per day may be sailed provided that no Division becomes more than one race ahead of schedule

4 RACING AREA

Main Fleet: The course will be west of Howth Harbour and may be one mile from the harbour entrance. More specific information will be provided at the Briefing.

Regatta Fleet: The course will be just outside Howth Harbour just beyond the west pier. More specific information will be provided at the Briefing.

5 MARKS AND COMMITTEE / FINISHING BOATS

Descriptions as follows:

- The Start Vessel will be a white motor vessel called Star Point.
- The Finish Vessel will be a navy motor vessel called Sea Wych.
- Windward and leeward gate marks will be black cylindrical inflatables.

The holding area adjacent to the Start Line will be bounded along the side nearest the starting line by small orange buoys

6 THE START

Main Fleet: The starting line will be between the main mast on the **Start Vessel** at the starboard end and a striped pole on another vessel at the port end. The port end vessel and pole may be replaced by an inflatable mark.

Regatta Fleet: The starting /finishing line will be between mast on the regatta fleet committee boat and a pin end orange mark.

7 THE FINISH

Main Fleet: The Finishing Line will be between the main mast on the Finishing Vessel and an orange mark. The Finishing Vessel shall display code flag R to indicate that the race committee intend to start another race. Boats should sail immediately to the starting area. When a race committee vessel displays code flag S over C near marks M3S/M3P, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and sail directly to the finish line.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

Whistle System: To encourage boats to take penalties afloat, Jury members may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a rule infringement.

9 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protests / requests for redress shall be lodged at the Regatta Office before expiry of the time limit. The protest time limit shall be 30 minutes after all boats have tallied in or after the Race Committee has accounted for any boats not tallied already.

Protest hearings will be held in the designated Protest Room in the Howth Yacht Club.

10 SCORING

3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series. When four or less races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. Where five or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11 OFFICIAL VESSELS

All vessels afloat will be identified as follows:

- a. Jury vessels will be marked by a yellow flag or Umpire written on it;
- b. Mark laying boats and safety boats will be marked by flag with the letter 'R';
- c. Support boats with a pink flag.

12 SUPPORT VESSELS

12.1 The IODAI Major Event SI 26.2 refers to NoR 15. That reference should be to NoR 12.

12.2 No support vessels will be permitted to join this event unless they agree to become part of the rescue fleet in an emergency or if the command rescue boat instructs them to assist in a particular incident.

12.3 All support vessels must register their intention to launch at the event with HYC prior to the event.

12.4 All support vessels must check in at the Support Boat Registration Desk on arrival at the event and prior to launching.

12.5 All support vessels must be launched prior to the event safety briefing on the first day of the event.

12.6 Each skipper must attend the safety briefing.

13 PRIZES

Main Fleet Prizes: There are perpetual trophies for the winners of each division.

The first 5 competitors in each of the

- Junior Silver,
- Junior Gold,
- Senior Silver and
- Senior Gold

will also receive prizes.

Regatta Fleet Prizes: Merit badges / medals will be awarded to ALL Regatta fleet participants. Prizes will be awarded to the best sailor U-11, U-10, U-9, U-8, the best local sailor and the youngest sailor. Several fun or novelty prizes may also be awarded to Regatta Fleet sailors.