



## OPTIMIST SAILING SOUTH AFRICA

# 2019 SELECTION REGATTA

Venue: The Skipper Foundation, Mossel Bay  
29<sup>th</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2020

The Organizing Committee shall be the Optimist Sailing South Africa in conjunction with The Skipper Foundation, under the auspices of South African Sailing.

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020, The Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) 2017-2020, the Class Rules of the International Optimist Dinghy Association (IODA), relevant regulations of the Optimist Class Racing Association of South Africa (OPTIMIST SAILING SA), this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 In terms of RRS 70.5(a), and with the authorization of SAS, the right of appeal is denied.

### 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted subject to the limitations of WS Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Competitors shall comply with the World Sailing eligibility requirement in accordance with 2017-2020 World Sailing Regulation 19 and RRS 75.1, 78.1 which requires that all competitors shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with SA Sailing. The Yacht Club name and membership details shall be stated on the entry form. All competitors shall be paid up members of OPTIMIST SAILING SA.
- 3.2 The SELECTIONS FLEET -This fleet is for the purpose of selecting the OPTIMIST SAILING SA teams to compete in the IODA World Championships and the African Continental Championship, and any other international event where selection is necessary. Optimist Sailing SA Sailors who attended at least 1 Regional championships and the Optimist class National championships in the calendar year 2019 are eligible to compete in the selection event.  
The OPEN FLEET- This fleet is open to any Optimist sailor who wishes to compete.
- 3.3 Sailors qualified as per 3.2 above, should enter and make full payment of the entry by 1st March 2020..
- 3.5 Skippers shall not be born before 1<sup>st</sup> January 2005.
- 3.6 Eligible Skippers may enter online at [www.revoluionise.com.au/optimistca](http://www.revoluionise.com.au/optimistca).  
The required fee must be paid to OPTIMIST SAILING SA by 1st March 2020 (by

end of banking hours) and the POP emailed to [optimistclassSA@gmail.com](mailto:optimistclassSA@gmail.com).

#### **BANK DETAILS**

For EFT's use below details: OPTIMIST SAILING SA

Bank	First National Bank
Branch/Code	Pinelands
Account No.	62747183995

#### **4. FEES**

4.1 Required fees are as follows: R250.00 per sailor.

#### **5. SCHEDULE**

- 5.1 Registration: Thursday 26th March 2020 from 08h00 to 09h00
- 5.2 Measurement and inspection: Thursday 26th March 2020. from 08h00 to 09h00
- 5.3 The warning for the first race is scheduled for 10h25 on the 26<sup>th</sup> of March 2020. The start time for the first race of the subsequent race days shall be posted by 7pm on the previous day.
- 5.5 A minimum of 5 races are required to constitute a regatta.

#### **6. MEASUREMENTS**

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate and be available for scrutiny at registration. In addition, spot measurements may be taken at any stage during the regatta which will result in penalty points being given to the offending sailor (see sailing instructions).

#### **7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions to be posted on the official notice board no later than 08h00 on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

#### **8. VENUE**

Racing will take place on the course set by the Race Officer with launching from Mossel Bay Harbour.

#### **9. THE COURSE**

The Courses will be indicated in the Sailing Instructions.

#### **10. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 10.1 A boat that has taken a penalty under RRS 44.1 shall complete a penalty report at the race office within the protest time limit.
- 10.2 A boat that has retired under RRS 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.
- 10.3 A jury may be on the water at the discretion of Optimist Sailing SA. Penalties given by the jury must be taken immediately and cannot be appealed as per racing rule 70.5.

#### **11. SCORING**

- 11.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A4.1 will apply.
- 11.2 If 5 or more races are completed, the worst score will be discarded.

#### **12. SAFETY**

- 12.1 Yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements.
- 12.2 All competitors shall wear a personal buoyancy aid capable of supporting a 5Kg. steel weight at all times while afloat in a yacht.

12.3 Wet or Dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy.

**13. SUPPORT BOATS**

All support boats unless requested by the race officer will remain outside the race area in the designated areas as indicated on the official Regatta Notice board. Any support boat considered to be assisting a sailor / sailors whilst racing will result in possible disqualification of the supported sailor/ sailors at the discretion of the Race /Protest committee.

Any other support boats (with exception of the official mark-layers, rescue boats and race committee boats) are considered 'spectator boats'. They shall remain either at least 150 meters downwind from the start line or 150 meters upwind from the finish line.

**13. PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follows: Prizes at the discretion of the organizers.

**14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority nor its officials or other persons associated with the organization of the event will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**15. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall carry sufficient valid third-party liability insurance.

**16. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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