



**Optimist Crosbie Cup
Lough Derg Yacht Club
on Sat 25th & Sunday 26th July 2009.
NOTICE OF RACE**

THE INTERNATIONAL OPTIMIST DINGHY ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND

1. Rules

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. I.S.A. prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3. I.O.D.A Class Rules will apply

2. Advertising

- 2.1. All Competitors' Boats may be required to display a Sponsor's logo as instructed. If required, the Logo will be available at registration.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. Competitors should be Members of IODAI or their National Optimist Association
- 3.2. Entry is open to all sailors in the Senior Silver and Junior Silver Divisions who are under 15 on the 1st January.
- 3.3. The entry fee is €55 for the Senior and Junior Divisions and €50 for the Regatta fleet.
- 3.4. Entries received after 10 July 2009 date are subject to a Late Entry Fee of €10 per sailor and will be accepted at the discretion of the organising authority.

4. Event Description & Venue

- 4.1. The event will comprise of a Main fleet, comprised of the Senior Silver and Junior Silver Divisions which will compete for the Crosbie Cup, and a Regatta fleet, which will combine coaching and racing.
- 4.2. The event will be held at Lough Derg Yacht Club, Dromineer, Nenagh, Co Tipperary. who are the organising authority.

5. Divisions & Fleets

- 5.1. Senior and Junior Divisions

Boats will be divided two divisions as follows:

- Junior Division: Sailors under 12 on the 1st January in the year of the regatta.
- Senior Division: Sailors over 12 but under 15 on 1st January in the year of the regatta

- 5.2. Silver Fleets

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Silver Fleet division is according to the current national rankings as posted on the IODAI website at www.iodai.com.

5.3. Identification Ribbons

Each boat may display the ribbons provided at registration as follows:

Division / Fleet	Colour
Senior / Silver	Pink
Junior / Silver	Green

6. Schedule

6.1. Registration/ Measurement Validation shall be on insert date Friday July 24th from 18.00 to 21.00 and on Saturday July 25th from 0830 - 0930

6.2. Dates of Racing

Date	Warning Signal
Sat July 25 th	1055
Sun July 26 th	1025

6.3. Three races are scheduled each day. The Race Officer may, at his discretion, get one race ahead of schedule but shall not sail more than 4 races on any one day.

6.4. The regatta will consist of a maximum of 6 races

6.5. 3 races shall constitute a series.

6.6. No race shall be started after 3.00pm on the last day.

7. Measurement

7.1. You are required to have your spars, foils and sails measured by a qualified measurer.

7.2. Spot checks will be performed on equipment on a random basis prior to, and during the regatta.

8. Scoring

8.1. When fewer than three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

8.2. When from three to six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9. Penalty System

4.1 Appendix P will apply.

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10. Sailing Instructions & Briefing

- 10.1. The Major Event Sailing Instructions will apply and are posted on the IODAI website.
- 10.2. Supplementary Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.
- 10.3. There will be a briefing for competitors at 09.00 on Sat 25th
- 10.4. Regatta fleet briefing will be held separately at 09.30 as indicated on the Official Notice Board.

11. Safety Checks

- 11.1. Safety checks will be carried out on all boats either in the Dinghy Park, or on the slipway, before launching. Any boat not displaying the appropriate safety check pass symbol for that day will not be permitted to launch.
- 11.2. A list of the mandatory equipment required in each boat, and the processes to be adhered to, is posted on the IODAI website under Safety Check List.

12. Support boats

- 12.1. Support boats must register with the organising committee, and nominate each competitor they are supporting.
- 12.2. Support boats may be called upon by the Race Committee and / or Safety Officer to assist with rescue operations.
- 12.3. There will be a briefing for support boat skippers at 08.30 on Sat 25th

13. Disclaimer of Liability

- 13.1. Competitors participate in the championship entirely at their own risk (See RRS 4 - Decision to Race). The Organising authority and host clubs will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the trials.

14. Insurance

- 14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €1,500,000 or the equivalent per event.

15. Regatta Fleet Competency

- 15.1. All Regatta Fleet sailors must be competent and capable of sailing a triangular course (with approximately 250m legs) in light to moderate winds.

16. Trolleys

- 16.1. All trolleys must be in full working order and marked with current sail number.
- 16.2. All old trolley tags must be removed. New trolley tags issued at Registration must be attached

17. Catering

- 17.1. All competitors are to bring their own packed lunch each day in a waterproof lunch bag, or suitable plastic container, clearly marked with their sail number.

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17.2. A small meal will be provided for all sailors after sailing each day.

18. Accommodation

18.1. Camping facilities may be available on the site at LDYC.