



International Optimist Dinghy Association of Ireland Trials 2020

Howth Yacht Club Thursday 16th to Sunday 19th April 2020

These Supplementary Sailing Instructions are to be read in conjunction with the IODAI Major Event Sailing Instructions (MESI) available at www.iodai.com

SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY & RULES

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

1.2 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race, the Major Event Sailing Instructions and these Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSI), the Supplementary Sailing Instructions shall take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2 OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

Notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the archway beside the Marina Office

3 LOCATION OF SIGNAL FLAGPOLE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole beside the walkway to the marina.

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 Registration, Measurement and Racing

Date	Event	Time
Wednesday 15th April	Registration, measurement	16.00 - 20.00
Thursday 16th April	Competitor briefing Races 1,2 and 3	10.15 First Warning Signal 12.00
Friday 17th April	Races 4,5,6 and 7	First Warning Signal 11.00
Saturday 18th April	Races 8,9,10 and 11	First Warning Signal 11.00
Sunday 19th April	Races 12 and 13 Prize giving	First Warning Signal 11.00 After racing

4.2 On Sunday 19th April, no warning signal will be made after 1400 hrs. This amends MESI 6.3.

4.3 The Class Flag will be ICF "O"

5 RACING AREA

The race area will generally be north of Ireland's Eye and south of Malahide Estuary. The area between Ireland's Eye and Claremont Beach may also be used at the discretion of the OA. Note that there will be two other courses in operation. The approximate location of the Optimist Trials Course will be displayed on the Official Notice Board before launching.

6 MARKS

Marks 1, 2, 3P and 3S will be Orange pyramid marks. The Finish Mark will be a round orange mark.

7 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

A safety boat in close attendance to a craft or competitor in difficulty is an obstruction.

8 START LINE

The start line will be between the red & white striped pole on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and either a similar pole on a RIB displaying an orange flag, or an orange cylindrical mark, at the port end.

9 HOLDING LINE

The holding line referred to in MESI 13.4 will not be laid. This amends MESI 13.4, however Support Boats remain bound by the 100m exclusion zone referred to in MESI 26.1.

10 FINISH LINE

The finish line will be between an orange spherical mark, and a pole on a Finishing Vessel displaying an orange flag.

11 PROTEST ROOM

The protest room will be located in Howth YC. The exact location will be posted along with the notice of hearing in accordance with MESI 19.4.

12 TALLY BOARD

The Tally Board will be located at the head of the main slipway.

13 SUPPORT VESSELS AND TOWING

13.1 MESI 26 amends NOR 12.2.

13.2 Support boats transiting to or from their racing area shall avoid other racing areas where boats are racing. [SP]

13.3 On any day that racing is scheduled the towing of boats by any support vessel is strictly prohibited. Infringement of this instruction may result in the immediate disqualification of the boat without a hearing from the race completed nearest in time to the infringement or other discretionary penalty. [DP] This changes RRS 63.1. The only exceptions to this are:

i) If a boat has retired from a race and is being escorted by a support vessel either ashore or to the nearest mother ship, or

ii) If the Race Committee informs all support vessels by VHF broadcast that towing is permitted.

When towing is permitted under these circumstances, support boats are to take a minimum of 4 boats in tow.

13.4 The Race Committee will communicate necessary information to official / support boats on the course VHF Channel as posted on the official Notice Board. Support boats are requested not to broadcast on this channel except in emergencies.