



Optimist National Championships 2022



Main Fleet SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SSIs)

1 RULES

- 1.1 These Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSIs) are to be read in conjunction with the current (latest revision) IODAI Major Event Sailing Instructions (SIs). If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race or MESI and these SSIs, these SSIs shall prevail.

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 The official notice board is located at: https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/events/4488/event_links
- 2.2 The race office is located at *the Race Office in the RSGYC (adjacent to the Atrium downstairs)*, Telephone 01 280 1811 email sailing@rsgyc.ie.
- 2.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate on VHF radio channel 77

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at *the yard arm on the platform of the RSTGYC*
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes race signal AP.
- 3.3 Flag T will be displayed ashore with one sound signal when the tally is open for boats to tally out in accordance with MESI 19.3. Flag D will be displayed not less than 15 mins after Flag T. This changes race signals
- 3.4 Flag D with one sound means boats may launch. Boats shall not leave the shore until this signal is made. This changes race signals

4 RACING AREA

- 5.1 The racing area is the environs of Dublin Bay

5 MARKS

- 5.1 The course race marks will be large black inflatable marks and the finish mark will be a dan buoy with a flag



6 OBSTRUCTIONS/RESTRICTIONS

6.1 Cruise ship tenders have the right of way to and from the harbour and should not be obstructed

6.2 In the event of frequent Cruise ship tender operations the race committee may place a safe water/holding mark within the harbour area which all boats shall sail or be towed to. They shall then follow further instructions from a safety boat positioned at this mark. This mark will be described in appendix C Safe Water/Holding Mark When Cruise Ship Tenders are in Operation This Mark will be a Yellow Inflatable.

7 THE START

7.1 The start line will be between a red and white staff on the committee vessel at the starboard end and a staff displaying an orange flag on the port end start vessel or an orange inflatable mark

8 THE FINISH

8.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.

9 Schedule

Date	Warning Signal	Number of Races
Thursday 11 th	Briefing on RSGYC Platform 10.00	
Thursday 11 th	First warning signal 11:55	3
Friday 12 th	First warning signal 10:55	3
Saturday 13 th	First warning signal 10:55	3
Sunday 14 th	First warning signal 10:55	2

9.1 The racing schedule will be as set out above, however the Race Committee may get two races ahead of schedule but shall not sail more than 4 races on any one day. A maximum number of 12 races in the series will be sailed.

10 HEARING REQUESTS

10.1 Hearing request forms are available online [here](#):

11 OFFICIAL VESSELS

12.1 Official vessels, other than those listed below, will carry white flag with the letters RM. Jury boats will carry a yellow flag.



Committee Vessel	Concerto	White 45' sloop
Port end starting boat	Rib	6m rib
Finishing boat	Pegasus	Red 30' motorboat

12 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

- 12.1 Support person vessels must be registered with the race office and shall be identified with Numbered Flags to be collected from the Race Office.