



Axiom Private Clients
2025 Optimist Munster Championships
Regatta Racing Fleet Supplementary Sailing Instructions

Kinsale Yacht Club

in conjunction with the International Optimist Dinghy Association of Ireland
13 & 14 September 2025, Kinsale, Co.Cork.

Supplementary SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs) for the REGATTA RACING FLEET

1 RULES

- 1.1 These Sailing Instructions are to be read in conjunction with the Notice of Race (NOR).

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 The official notice board is at <https://www.kyc.ie/axiom-private-clients-optimist-munster-championships-13th-14th-sept-2025/>

Alerts regarding notices shall be posted on the IODAI WhatsApp "IODAI Events – REGATTA", accessible at: <https://www.kyc.ie/axiom-private-clients-optimist-munster-championships-13th-14th-sept-2025/>

- 2.2 The race office is located on the ground floor of the club house. telephone 021 4772196, email: kycoptimistchampionships2025@gmail.com

- 2.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate on VHF radio channels:

- Ch.69 (Main Fleet PRO)
- Ch.72 (Regatta Racing Fleet)
- Ch.77 (Regatta Coached Fleet)
- Ch.06 (Safety Channel)

- 2.4 A competitors briefing for Regatta Racing Fleet sailors will be held at Saturday in front of the clubhouse, or inside if the weather is bad. This will be after the briefing for the main fleet and as advertised in SSI 4.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole in front of the dinghy park.

4 SCHEDULE

Friday 18 July	1800 – 2000 Registration
Saturday 19 July	0830 – 1000 Registration 0930 Coach and Support Boat Safety Briefing (all fleets) 1030 Competitor Briefing for Regatta Fleet 1230 Regatta Racing First Warning Signal
Sunday 20 July	1130 Regatta Fleet First Warning Signal

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5 RACING AREA

- 5.1 The Regatta Racing Fleet racing area is Kinsale Middle Harbour.
- 5.2 More detailed racing area location information will be advised at the briefings and / or prior to launching each day.

6 MARKS

- 6.1 Regatta Racing Fleet will use yellow inflatable marks.
- 6.2 Regatta Coached Fleet will use training marks, which will be explained by the coaches.

7 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 There is a bank off Jamesfort to the east which is shallow at low tide. The coaches will assist the sailors in this area.
- 7.2 The launching area is relatively protected from current, however, there can be a strong current encountered at the head of the pier as the sailors enter the river main channel. With the ebb tide less experienced sailors may be pushed downstream onto the KYC Marina.

The Regatta Coached fleet may be towed to the sailing area to avoid any incidents in the strong current of the main channel.

8 THE START

- 8.1 The starting line will be between a red and white pole on the Committee Boat and a red danbuoy with a pole displaying a red flag the pin end.

The danbuoy may be replaced by a RIB displaying a red flag on a pole at the pin end if required by the Race Officer.



Fig 1. Regatta Racing Committee Boat

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9 THE FINISH

- 9.1 The finishing line is between the Committee Boat displaying a blue flag at the starboard end of the line, and a mark or RIB at the port end of the finishing line.

10 HEARING REQUESTS

- 10.1 Hearing request and acknowledgement forms (SI 15.3) are available at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/11527/event>.

11 OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 11.1 Official mark laying and safety vessels, other than those listed below, will carry a numbered white flag.
- 11.2 The Committee Boat will be explained at the briefing.

12 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

- 12.1 Support person vessels shall be identified with a numbered red flag.

13 COURSE

- 13.1 The course will be a triangular course as indicated in the sketch below. All marks to be pass to port. The course will be 2 x rounds unless otherwise indicated by the Race Officer.
- 13.2 This may be changed to a windward leeward course, and if so competitors will be advised before the race.

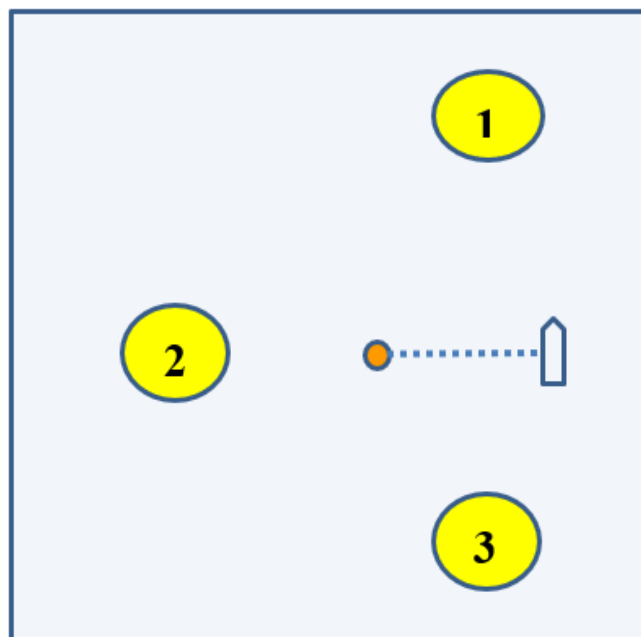


Fig. 2. Race course

- 13.3 Race Area: The Regatta Racing fleet sailing area will be in Kinsale's middle harbour

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between Charlesfort, the Dock beach, and Scilly.

The Regatta Coached Fleet sailing area will be in the middle harbour between the Dock Beach and Jamesfort. (This area is overlooked from the Jamesfort public walk and an ideal viewing point for parents and spectators.)





-  Regatta Racing fleets area
-  Regatta Coached fleet area

Fig 3. Indicative Regatta Fleets sailing areas.

Note: sailing area may be changed at the discretion of the PRO or Regatta Race Officer.