# IODAI Halloween Regatta & Crosbie Cup

Lough Ree Yacht Club in conjunction with the

International Optimist Dinghy Association of Ireland

31st October 2026

**SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SSIs) for the REGATTA RACING FLEET**

1 RULES

1.1 These Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSIs) are to be read in conjunction with the Notice of Race (NoR) and current IODAI Major Event Sailing Instructions (MESIs). If there is a conflict between the NoR or MESIs and these SSIs, these SSIs will prevail.

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

2.1 The official notice board is at https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/16241/event

2.2 Alerts regarding notices and other communications may be posted on the IODAI WhatsApp "IODAI Events – REGATTA", accessible at: https://chat.whatsapp.com/IFKm0sGjUrx9Cu2KcK7tyC?mode=ac_c

2.3 The race office is located in the club house. Telephone 0861715199

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

- 77 (Regatta Racing Fleet)
- 69 (Regatta Coaching Fleet)
- 71 (Main Fleet)

2.5 A competitors' briefing for Regatta Racing Fleet sailors will be held on Saturday in front of the clubhouse, or inside if the weather is bad. This is expected to be after the briefing for the Main Fleet (scheduled for 09:00).

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club's flagpole located in front of the Clubhouse.

4 SCHEDULE

The schedule of races will be set out by the Head Coach.

5 RACING AREA

5.1 The Regatta Racing Fleet racing area is on Lough Ree.
5.2 More detailed racing area location information may be advised at the briefings and/ or prior to launching each day.

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6 MARKS

6.1 Regatta Racing Fleet will use inflatable marks.

7 OBSTRUCTIONS

7.1 There are no designated obstructions in the Race Area other than those set out in MESI 11. Competitors should obey Waterways Ireland navigation marks.

8 THE START

8.1 The starting line will be between the Committee Vessel at the starboard end and a starting mark.

9 THE FINISH

9.1 The finishing line is between the Committee Vessel, which will be displaying a blue flag at the starboard end of the line, and a mark at the port end.

10 HEARING REQUESTS

10.1 Hearing request and acknowledgement forms (SI 15.3) are available at https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/16241/event

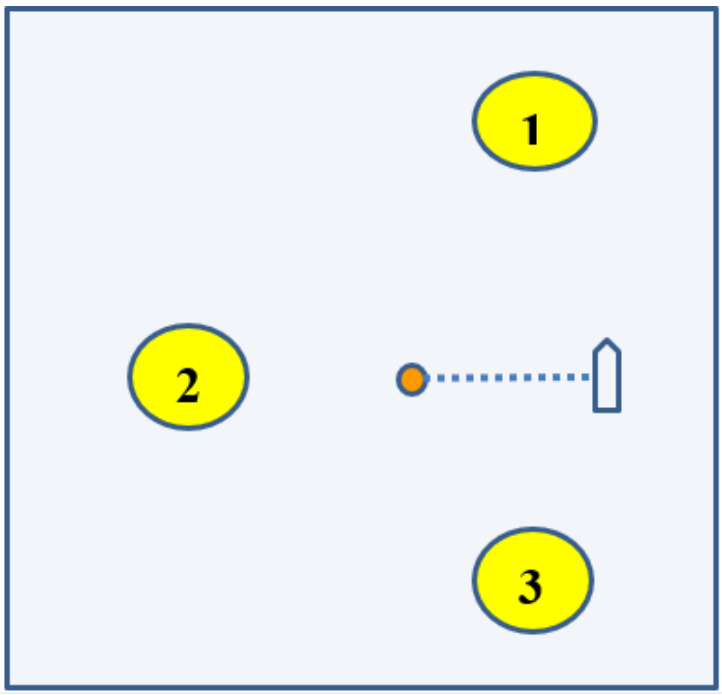
11 OFFICIAL VESSELS

11.1 Official mark laying and safety vessels, other than the Committee Vessel, may carry a numbered yellow flag.The Committee Vessel will be described at the briefing.

12 COURSE

12.1 The course will be a triangular course as indicated in the sketch below. All marks to be left to port.

12.2 This may be changed to a windward leeward course, and if so competitors will be advised before the race.




12.3 Boats are not required to cross the start/finish line on intervening rounds.

12.4 The head coach will indicate the number of rounds to be sailed. This may be communicated on the water.

13. PRIZES

13.1 Prizes will be awarded to the boats finishing 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th overall.

**END OF SSIs**

**Regatta Coached:** Please note, there are no SSIs for the Regatta Coached fleet. Coaches will communicate directly with competitors on plans for the regatta.

Competitors may wish to note that the briefing for Main Fleet is scheduled for 09:00 on 31st October and no first warning signal for Main Fleet may be made after 15:00.

Alerts regarding notices may be posted on the IODAI WhatsApp "IODAI Events – REGATTA".

It is anticipated that training marks will be used and that racing will take place off Lough Ree Yacht Club.

The emphasis in the Regatta Coached fleet is on participation, and it is intended to award prizes to reflect this.