



# 2021 Open Meeting

for

## Optimist Class Main Fleet & Regatta Fleet

18 & 19 September 2021

Hayling Island Sailing Club, Hampshire, UK

### NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority is Hayling Island Sailing Club

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The racing will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 [DP] RRS 40.1 (*Personal Flotation Devices*) shall apply at all times whilst afloat.
- 1.3 Competitors should note that Hayling Island SC implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at: [www.rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter](http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter)
- 1.4 [DP] Competitors shall comply with the applicable Covid-19 restrictions. This includes the HISC Covid Racing & Visitor Training Policy.

#### 2 COMMUNICATIONS & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 All documents governing this event, including the sailing instructions, will be available from the event website and official notice board at: [www.hisc.co.uk/sailing/open-events/optimist-om/](http://www.hisc.co.uk/sailing/open-events/optimist-om/)
- 2.2 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

#### 3 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all International Optimist class dinghies. There will be two fleets sailing on separate course areas; a main (open) fleet, and a 'regatta fleet'. The regatta fleet is intended for younger or less experienced helms, and entries in this fleet will be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 3.2 The maximum number of entries allowed is as follows:  
Main fleet 80  
Regatta fleet 40
- 3.3 The entry limit may be extended at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 3.4 Boats may enter by calling Hayling Island Sailing Club before Thursday 16 September 2021. Later entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 3.5 By entering the event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.
- 3.6 Competitors shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations before racing (download from HISC website).

#### 4 FEES

Entry fee per boat: £35.00

#### 5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration: Saturday 18 September, from 08:00.

5.2 The race schedule is as follows:

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Time of 1<sup>st</sup> warning signal &amp; scheduled races per day:</b>		
	<b>Time:</b>	<b># Races: Main Fleet</b>	<b># Races: Regatta Fleet</b>
18 Sept	10:30	3	4
19 Sept	11:00	3	4

5.3 The warning signal for succeeding races each day will be made as soon as practicable; it is not intended to allow any break between races.

5.4 No warning signal will be made after 15:30 on Sun 19 Sept.

## 6 MEASUREMENTS

Boats may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules.

## 7 VENUE

7.1 Racing will take place in Chichester Harbour. The main fleet may race in the southern extremity of the Harbour or the northern part of Bracklesham Bay.

7.2 Venue information is available at [www.hisc.co.uk](http://www.hisc.co.uk)

## 8 SCORING

8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

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

(b) When three or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 9 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places whilst ashore.

## 10 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded depending on the number of entries in each fleet.

## 11 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

## 12 INSURANCE

[DP] Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million per incident or the equivalent.

## 13 FURTHER INFORMATION

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