



THE ROYAL
YACHT CLUB
OF TASMANIA



2024 Tasmanian Optimist State Championship incorporating Green Fleet Regatta

2nd & 3rd March 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority
Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania
in conjunction with
Tasmanian International Optimist Dinghy Association (TIODA).



The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR or SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation '[SP]' in a rule in the NoR or SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule will be a standard penalty which will be applied by the race committee without a hearing. This changes Appendix A5.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the NoR or SI means that the rule is not protestable by a competitor. This changes RRS rule 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** The current Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing Part 2 will apply.
- 1.3** Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 1.4** Green Fleet racing will be governed by the World Sailing Introductory Rules for Racing v1.01, as amended by the Sailing Instructions.

2 ADVERTISING [NP][DP]

- 2.1** Competitor advertising is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.3, as restricted by IODA Class Rule 2.8.
- 2.2** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority. If required, they shall be affixed in accordance with the instructions provided. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.
- 2.3** The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by a boat or competitor which conflicts with the laws of Tasmania or Australia.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1** The regatta is open to boats of the Optimist class that fulfil the eligibility requirements stated below:
 - 3.1.1** The Championship is open to competitors who are either one of the following:
 - (a) A financial member of an Australian State Optimist Association affiliated with AIODA;
 - (b) A financial member of a National Optimist Association affiliated with IODA; or
 - (c) A financial member of a Member National Authority (MNA e.g.: Australian Sailing)
 - 3.1.2** Competitors shall have been born in 2009 or later.
- 3.2** Eligible boats may enter online via the website no later than 23:00 on Monday 26 February 2024. Late entries may be accepted by contacting TIODA on 0429 039 468 or at registration. A late entry fee of \$50 will be payable.
- 3.3** Allocation of any sailor to Open, Intermediate or Green Fleet is subject to the final approval of the Organising Authority and may only be varied during the event by the Race Committee.
- 3.4** The 'Green Fleet' is open to less experienced Optimist Class sailors who may not be up to the competitiveness and rigors of racing in the Intermediate Fleet. Further information about Green Fleet is contained in Attachment I.

4 FEES

Required fees are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Open & Intermediate Fleets	\$100.00 AUD
Green Fleet	\$75.00 AUD
Late Entry (all fleets)	\$50.00 AUD

5 FLEET RACING CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

- 5.1 The Championship will consist of the Open and Intermediate Fleets and a Green Fleet Regatta.
- 5.2 The series for the Open and Intermediate Fleets will consist of up to 8 races. The Race Committee may conduct multiple racing sessions per day.
- 5.3 The Green Fleet Regatta may consist of up to 10 races. The Race Committee may conduct multiple racing sessions per day.

6 SCHEDULE

Date	Event	Timing
Saturday 2 nd March	Registration	08:30-09:30
	Support boat briefing	09:30
	Competitor briefing	09:45
	First warning signal	11:00
	After sailing meal & Opti muster	ASAP hrs
Sunday 27 th February	First warning signal	10:00
	No warning signal after	16:00
	Closing & Presentation Ceremony	ASAP hrs

7 MEASUREMENT

- 7.1 All competitors shall provide a completed Safety and Equipment Inspection Form at registration, refer Attachment 2.
- 7.2 Boats may be inspected for safety equipment and measurement compliance at any time during the regatta. Checks may include a request to present their IODA Measurement Book and Sail Measurement Form.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the event website from 28 February 2024

9 VENUE

Attachment 3 shows the location of the regatta racing areas.

10 THE COURSES

- 10.1 The course for Open and Intermediate Fleet racing will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.2 The course for the Green fleet will be a triangular course as described in the Sailing Instructions.

11 SCORING

11.1 For the Open and Intermediate fleets, the series will consist of up to eight (8) races, three (3) of which are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from five (5) to eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11.2 For the Green Fleet the series will consist of up to ten (10) races, three (3) of which are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from five (5) to eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When from nine (9) to ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two (2) scores.

11.3 The Open, Intermediate and Green Fleets will be scored separately.

12 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

12.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

12.2 Boats may affix cameras so long as they do not protrude from the boat.

13 PRIZES

13.1 Prizes for the State Championship will be awarded at least to:

- (a) 1st placed Tasmanian sailor in Open Fleet (Tasmanian State Champion)
- (b) 1st to 3rd placed sailors regardless of gender, State or Country of residence in both Open and Intermediate Fleets
- (c) 1st to 3rd placed Tasmanian female sailors in both Open and Intermediate Fleets
- (d) 1st to 3rd placed Tasmanian male sailors in both Open and Intermediate Fleets

13.2 Prizes and the Perpetual Trophy for the Tasmanian State Championship including the 1st Placed Tasmanian Sailor overall (Tasmanian State Champion) and the 1st placed Tasmanian female and male sailor (Open and Intermediate Fleet) will be awarded to competitors who are:

- (a) Australian Citizens or Australian Permanent Residents;
- (b) Financial members of TIODA; and
- (c) A financial member of a Tasmanian Sailing Club affiliated with Australian Sailing.

13.3 The TIODA Encouragement Award will be presented to a sailor in either the Open or Intermediate Fleet

13.4 Green Fleet participation medals will be awarded as follows:

- (a) Gold to the first third of the fleet
- (b) Silver to the second third of the fleet; and
- (c) Bronze to the balance of the fleet

13.5 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 14.2** A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility. In this paragraph and the following paragraphs, wherever the context so permits, 'boat' includes the helm and their parents or guardians.
- 14.3** It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and that her helm is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 14.4** Nothing done or omitted to be done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing or other parts of the event. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the events and their associated activities, afloat or ashore, and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the race officers, safety vessels, support boats and beach masters.
- 14.5** The provision of safety vessels does not relieve the boat of its responsibilities.
- 14.6** The Race Committee may hold a boat ashore, or require a boat to go ashore at any time when afloat, whether racing or not, if it considers that:
- (a) The boat, the equipment or the clothing of the helm, or
 - (b) The physical condition of the helm is not adequate for the conditions.

15 INSURANCE

- 15.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of not less than AUD\$5,000,000.00 (recommend AUD\$10,000,000.00) per incident or the equivalent.
- 15.2** All owners/competitors who submit the entry forms are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owners/competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry. The skipper of each boat must be able to display proof of cover if requested to do so.

16 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In participating, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authorities, the Coordinating Authorities and the sponsors, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in which the competitor participates and, in all material, related to the said Event without compensation.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information, can be found on the championship website
<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/tioda/events/214848/>

Attachment I

GREEN FLEET

1. In Green Fleet emphasis is on fun and the objective of this regatta is to offer younger and less experienced sailors the opportunity to sail and participate at the State Championship without feeling the need or burden to sail in the more competitive and arduous Open or Intermediate Fleets.
2. Sailors entering the Green Fleet should be competent at racing and have completed at least half a season of green fleet racing at club level.
3. Green Fleet racing is intended to align with Open and Intermediate Fleets but may start a bit later. In addition, on/off water activities are planned as described in part 6. If weather forecasts or prevailing winds make it unlikely that Green Fleet will race in the afternoon, then the schedule may be reversed.
4. In the Green Fleet equipment used is not required to hold current measurement certificates (alters International Optimist Class rule 2.4.1) however the following measurement criteria still apply as a minimum:
 - a. **Equipment:** shall carry all safety equipment listed in the equipment checklist.
5. The Technical Committee may in their sole discretion refuse the entry of a boat which in their opinion does not satisfy the spirit or intent of a one-design international class regatta.
6. The Green Fleet will consist of a variety of activities, led by appropriately qualified activity leaders/rules advisors (in an approximate ratio of 1:15-20). These activities may include both shore and on-water based skills coaching, shore and on-water games and scored racing governed by the VWS Introductory Rules for Racing VI.01, as amended by the sailing instructions.
7. Racing for Green Fleet will be conducted on a separate course on the waters adjacent to the RYCT marina.

Attachment 2

SAFETY EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST



2020 Tasmanian Optimist Championship and Green Fleet Regatta

Safety & Equipment Inspection Form

Sailor's Name: _____ Open ☐

Sail Number: _____ Intermediate ☐

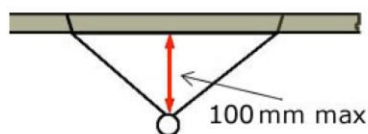
Green ☐

Safety Check

Check off that all the following are OK

Item	Requirement	✓
PFD	Serviceable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Whistle	Tied to PFD	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bow line	8m long, floats	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buoyancy bags	Serviceable and secured	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bag straps	No deterioration	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mast	Can be tied in	<input type="checkbox"/>

Item	Requirement	✓
Centreboard	Can be tied in	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Paddle	Tied in	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bailer	1 litre, tied in	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mainsheet clip	Quick release*	<input type="checkbox"/>
Boom Strop	Max 100mm from boom*	<input type="checkbox"/>



To prevent sailors being caught, the strop/bridle must be a maximum of 100mm from the boom



This is the preferred snap shackle as sailors cannot be caught and it is easily released. If you have a different clip, see the event measurer.

I declare that the Optimist and equipment referred to in this document to be fully compliant with the International Optimist class rules and will not be changed during the event except as allowed by the Class Rules, SI & NOR.

Sailor's Signature:

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date:

Attachment 3

REGATTA SITE & COURSE AREA



* The race committee at their discretion may move the race course areas for any fleet