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2024 CORK International Optimist Regatta

Organizing authority: CORK/Sail Kingston

August 1-4, Race days August 2-4, 2024
Portsmouth Olympic Harbour
Kingston, Ontario, Canada



Notice of Race (NoR)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 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 [DP] RRS 40.1 applies and is amended so that it applies at all times while afloat.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix T "Arbitration" will apply.
- 1.4 A boat shall sail with the sail number with which she was registered. The race committee may permit a change upon request. Failure to sail with the registered or approved number will result in a 10% scoring penalty added to her race score sailed nearest in time to that of the incident. This penalty will be imposed without a hearing and will conform to RRS 44.3(c). This changes RRS 63.1 and RRS A5.
- 2 The CORK / Sail Kingston Code of Conduct and Safe Sport Policy Package applies and can be found at: [CORK Code of Conduct](#) and [CORK Safe Sport Package](#).

3 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 The sailing instructions will be posted on the online official notice board.

4 COMMUNICATION

- 4.1 The online official notice board is located at: [Official Notice Board](#)
- 4.2 [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.

5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 The regatta is open to boats of the Optimist class.
- 5.2 **For boats to be accepted for this event, the online application must be completed at [event registration](#) and all fees must be received by 1800 August 1, 2024. No entries will be accepted after this time. Any registration changes must be made using the online official notice board with the equipment change feature.**
- 5.3 As part of the online registration process participants (or parent/guardian if under 18) will be required to electronically sign the CORK/Sail Kingston waiver, copy of the waiver can be found here: [CORK Waiver](#).
- 5.4 To finish the entry process, participants must complete the onsite check-in process at the CORK registration desk which includes the safety and other requirements checklist signoff as described in Addendum 1.

6 **FEES AND REFUNDS**

Date	Fees
Early Bird Fee: Completed entry form and entry fee received on or before June 19, 2024	CAD \$217.00 + 13% HST
Regular Fee: Completed entry form and entry fee received after June 19, 2024, but on or before July 17, 2024	CAD \$255.00 + 13% HST
Late Fee: Completed entry form and entry fee received after July 17, 2024	CAD \$319.00 + 13% HST

6.1 In the case of event cancellation or postponement by CORK, all fees except for bank charges will be refunded.

6.2 All fees except for bank charges will be refunded to boats that cancel on or before **July 17, 2024**.

7 **[DP] ADVERTISING**

7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

8 **QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES**

8.1 The regatta may consist of a qualifying series and a final series. The decision will be made at the end of registration.

8.2 **[DP]** Boats sailing in the qualifying series and a final series will be required to display fleet identification colors. It is the competitor's responsibility to bring their own flight/fleet reusable identification sleeves (Yellow, Blue, Red, Green) to the event. The size of the flight/fleet identification sleeves/sheets shall be at least 11" and shall cover all around the bottom mast section between the boom and the boom vang fitting. No single use identification colour sheets, elastics or tape may be used. Sleeves will be available for purchase from the CORK office and website.

Please note that the above colours are not correlated to the CODA age category colours.

9 **SCHEDULE**

Date	Time	Event
Thursday August 1	1000 – 1700	Competitor and Coach onsite check-in at POH (CORK registration desk)
Friday August 2	0900	Competitor and Coach onsite check-in
	1000	Opening welcome and Competitor Meeting
	1015	Coaches meeting
Saturday August 3	1200	Warning signal of first race of the day (2 races scheduled)
	0915	Coaches meeting
	1100	Warning signal of first race of the day (3 races scheduled)
Sunday August 4	0915	Coaches meeting
	1100	Warning signal of first race of the day (3 races scheduled)
	1500	No warning signal after this time
	After Racing	Participation mementos

9.1 One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that the event is no more than one race ahead of schedule.

10 **VENUE**

10.1 Sailing will be in Lake Ontario South of Portsmouth Olympic Harbour.

11 **COURSES**

11.1 The course to be sailed will be the IODA course.

12 **PENALTY SYSTEM**

12.1 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42 will apply. Appendix P2.3 is deleted, and P2.2 is changed to: "When a boat is penalized a second and subsequent times during the regatta, she shall promptly retire. If she fails to do so she shall be disqualified without a hearing and her score shall not be excluded."

13 **SCORING**

13.1 One race is required to constitute a series.

13.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

13.3 When from five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be her total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13.4 The Red, Blue, and White age category sailors will be extracted from the overall results without recalculating.

14 **[DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSONNEL AND VESSELS**

14.1 There is a \$60 fee (+ HST); support persons shall register online at: [event registration](#).

15 **[DP] BERTHING**

15.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places/area while they are in the boat park.

16 **[DP] LAUNCHING**

16.1 The boats shall launch from and return to Portsmouth Olympic Harbour.

17 **PRIZES**

17.1 CORK will provide a variety of prizes depending on the number of competitors in the fleet. Some class associations may provide their own additional prizes.

17.2 Other awards may be given.

18 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission.
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizers does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

19 **INSURANCE**

19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. The organizing authority does not accept any responsibility for verifying that a boat has valid third-party liability insurance.

20 **[DP] CONCUSSION AWARENESS**

20.1 Certain aspects of Rowan's Law are in effect. To review current information and requirement, check the Ontario Sailing website: <https://ontariosailing.ca/concussion-information/>

20.2 Competitors and Support Persons under the age of 26, need to:

- read the Ministry Approved Concussion Awareness Resource.
- review, and be committed to, the Ontario Sailing Athlete Concussion Code of Conduct.

21 **PHOTO AND VIDEO DISCLAIMER**

21.1 By participating in the event, competitors give absolute right and permission for any photograph and video footage taken of themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published in any media whatsoever, for either editorial or advertising purposes to be used in press information without compensation.

22 **FURTHER INFORMATION**

22.1 For further information, please contact the CORK office via events@cork.org or via phone at [+1 613 545 1322](tel:+16135451322).

22.2 Additional useful information regarding accommodations, travel, boat charters, equipment services and area recreation are available at www.cork.org

22.3 Charter boats may be available; see <http://www.cork.org/charter-boats/>

Addendum 1

Competitors' safety and other requirements checklist

- Bow loop (two-inch (5cm) loop of line out of bow gunwale)
- 8m Bow line min 5mm thick – Tied to mast step, knot free, 26ft, w/bowline at the outboard end
- 2 bailers attached to the boat with a bowline.
- 3 airbags fully inflated – Not leaking and secured properly.
- Rudder retainer clip – prevents rudder from popping out.
- Centreboard retainer line attached to the hull with a metal hook or a knot (no plastic hooks allowed)
- Mast tie or mast clamp attached to the hull.
- Main Sheet Snap Closed snap
- Safety line from the ring to the bridal to the boom – with no tension
- Paddle attached to the boat.
- a PFD with whistle attached by lanyard.
- In the case of a qualifying/final series boats must, as per NoR 8.2, display reusable coloured flight/fleet identification sleeves.