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CORK Optimist Team Racing

Organizing authority: CORK/Sail Kingston

August 1, 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.
- 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 RACING FORMAT & NUMBER OF RACES

- 5.1 The event will be a four-boat against four-boat team race. A team may have five members, with any four competing in a race, provided that the fifth competitor remains in the area designated for coaches, or ashore, from the warning signal of that race until that race has been completed.
- 5.2 A maximum of 16 teams will be accepted in order of registration.
- 5.3 Addendum 2 shows the intended racing format. This format may be changed by the race committee as needed.

6 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 6.1 **For boats to be accepted for this event, the online application must be completed by the team leader or support person at [registration for Team Racing](#) and all fees must be received by 1800 July 31st, 2024. No entries will be accepted after this time.**
- 6.2 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](#)
- 6.3 The regatta is open to teams of four or five competitors who are members of the Optimist class and comply with Optimist age guidelines.
- 6.4 Teams are encouraged to register with a short team name. The team's name will be prefixed with a letter assigned at the draw. This letter will be used to identify the team during the event.

- 6.5 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.

7 **FEES AND REFUNDS**

Date	Fees
Early Bird Fee: Completed entry form and entry fee received on or before June 19, 2024	CAD \$297.00 + 13% HST
Regular Fee: Completed entry form and entry fee received after June 19, 2024, but on or before July 17, 2024	CAD \$350.00 + 13% HST
Late Fee: Completed entry form and entry fee received after July 17, 2024	CAD \$437.00 + 13% HST

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

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

- 7.3 Boats will be required to display team identification colours. It is the competitor’s responsibility to bring their own reusable-coloured identification sleeves (Yellow and Blue) to the event. The size of the sleeves shall be at least 11” and shall cover all around the bottom mast section between the boom and vang fitting. No single use colour sheets, elastics or tape may be used. Sleeves will be available for purchase from the CORK office and website. Each boat will have two sleeves, Blue for the home team and Yellow for the away team. The home team is listed in the team racing grid on top and on the left side on the signal boat board. Additional VHF announcements may be made.

8 **[DP] ADVERTISING**

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

9 **SCHEDULE**

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday July 31	1800	Team Registration deadline
	1900	Team Racing Grid Published
Thursday August 1	0800-0900	Competitor Onsite Check-in at POH (CORK registration desk)
	0900	Coaches meeting
	1100	Warning signal of first race of the day

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 team racing starboard “S” course.

12 **[DP] BERTHING**

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

13 **PRIZES**

- 13.1 CORK will provide a variety of prizes depending on the number of teams.

- 13.2 Other awards may be given.

14 **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.

15 **INSURANCE**

15.1 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.

16 **[DP] CONCUSSION AWARENESS**

16.1 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/>

16.2 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.

17 **PHOTO AND VIDEO DISCLAIMER**

17.1 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.

18 **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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

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

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

Addendum 1

Optimist Team Racing

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.

