

2021 Fall International Teams Registration- FAQs

My sailor is not interested in a fall team. Do I have to accept the invitation to register?

No. Sailors are not required to accept the invitation. However, if they do not accept the invitation to register, they forfeit their right to an invitation to a Fall International Team based on their results at the 2021 Optimist National Championship.

Will invitations to join the USNT or ODP2 Program be extended following Nationals?

No. Additional invitation to these programs may be extended based on results at the 2021 Midwinter Championship (Spring Team Qualifier).

I have more than 1 sailor. Am I required to register each one?

Yes, each sailor registered for the Championship Fleet at Nationals will receive an invitation to the 2021 Fall International Teams event.

What if I'm only interested in one team?

That's perfectly fine, and as part of registering, you will select the team(s) your sailor is interested in attending. You will only be eligible to receive an invitation to a team your sailor selected during registration.

If I select a team, and qualify to receive an invitation, am I obligated to accept the invitation? No, you may decline the invitation to the fall event without penalty.

If I receive an invitation to the first team, can I decline and still receive an invitation to the next team?

Yes, as long as you selected the second team during registration. However, please be aware that we may still be waiting for spots to be allocated to us for the Asian & Oceania Championship at the time we begin seeding teams. If for some reason we are not allocated the spots for Asians, and you have declined your invitation to South Americans, you will not be able to change your mind.

What happens if my sailor qualifies for a team, I accept the invitation, pay the full registration fee, and then decide not to go?

There are no refunds of team registration fees, unless the spot can be filled by another sailor, in which case we will refund all but \$500 of the registration fee.

Additional information about international teams, including the selection process and preliminary budgets, can be found at <u>https://usoda.org/international-team</u>.

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