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## SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



**AIB IRISH OPTIMIST NATIONAL  
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

12TH TO 16TH AUGUST 2020 ROYAL CORK YACHT CLUB



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## 1 RULES

These Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSIs) are to be read in conjunction with the current (latest revision) IODAI Major Event Sailing Instructions V1.5 (MESI). If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race or MESI and these SSIs, the SSIs shall prevail.

### COVID-19 Special Protocols

To maintain the safety and well-being of all involved in the event, the OA will issue COVID-19 Special Protocols prior to the event. All competitors and support persons must comply with these Special Protocols.

If the protest committee finds that a competitor or a support person has infringed these protocols the competitor, or competitors associated with the infringing support person, may be penalized as deemed appropriate by the Protest Committee. This changes rule 63.1

## 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted on the official notice board located on the Official Notice Board at the dingy centre in the RCYC and will also be posted on Event Website.

## 3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Main RCYC flagpole in front of the clubhouse.

## 4 SCHEDULE

Wednesday 12th August	15:00 - 19:00	Registration / Measurement Validation
Thursday 13th August	08.45 09.30 From 10.00 11:25	Coach and Support Boat Safety Briefing Main Fleet Competitor Briefing D Flag displayed First Warning Signal: 3 Races back to back
Friday 14th August	From 09.15 10:25	D Flag displayed First Warning Signal: 3 Races back to back
Saturday 15th August	From 09.15 10:25	D Flag displayed First Warning Signal: 3 Races back to back
Sunday 16th August	From 09.15 10:25	D Flag displayed First Warning Signal: 2 Races back to back

- 4.1 The racing schedule will be as above. However, the Race Officer may, at his discretion, get one race ahead of schedule. If an extra race is to be run, IC Flag E will be displayed at the finish of the last scheduled race of the day. Not more than 4 races shall be sailed on any one race day.
- 4.2 Each day, succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable following the finish of the previous race.
- 4.3 The Championship will consist of a maximum of 11 races.
- 4.4 4 races shall constitute a series.
- 4.5 On the last scheduled day of the regatta, the first warning signal of a race shall not be made after 14:30, unless to re-start a race, which has been subject to a General Recall(s) and whose first warning signal was made before 14:30, except where a race has been recalled

## 5 RACING AREA

- Race Area 1** Curlane Bank – immediately outside river entrance  
- approx. 1nm from Slipway.
- Race Area 2** Eastern Harbour – beyond Whitegate Jetty  
- approx. 3 nm from Slipway.
- Race Area 3** Outer Harbour – South East of Roches Point  
- approx. 3nm from Slipway.

Numeral 1, 2 or 3 as appropriate will be displayed approximately 15 minutes before Flag D to indicate the intended race area for each day.

## Coronavirus COVID-19



This event is subject to the Covid 19 guidelines as laid out by the Irish Government. All people associated with this event must comply with these conditions. These conditions are changing as the event approaches and will influence the running/organisation/cancellation of this event.

## 6 MARKS AND COMMITTEE / FINISHING BOATS

Descriptions as follows:

- a. The Start Vessel will be a navy motor vessel - "Irish Mist".
- b. The Finish Vessel will be a white vessel displaying a Blue Flag when on station.
- c. Course marks will be large inflatable cylindrical orange marks.
- d. The finish mark will be a white spherical mark.

## 7 THE START

- 7.1 The starting line will be between the red/white pole on the Start Vessel at the starboard end and a red/white pole on another vessel at the port end. The port end vessel and pole may be replaced by an inflatable mark.

## 8 THE FINISH

The Finishing Line will be between the red/white pole or main mast on the Finishing Vessel and an orange mark. After finishing boats should sail immediately to the starting area. When a race committee vessel displays code flag S over C near marks 3AS/3BP, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and sail directly to the finish line.

## 9 PENALTY SYSTEM

Whistle System: To encourage boats to take penalties afloat, Jury Protest Committee members may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a rule infringement.

## 10 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protests / requests for redress shall be lodged at the Race Office before expiry of the protest time limit.

Protest hearings will be held in the upper Bar in the RCYC clubhouse.

The protest time limit shall be 60 minutes after all boats have tallied in or after the Race Committee has accounted for any boats not tallied already.

## 11 SCORING

- 11.1 When four or less races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.2 When five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score (this amends NoR 8.2).
- 11.3 When nine or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

- 11.4 No earlier than 20 minutes after the first boat has finished, the Race Officer may, at his discretion, award places to the remainder of the fleet which are still racing, in reverse sequence from the rear of the fleet. Each non-finished boat shall be awarded a score, increasing by one from the non-finished boat nearest the finishing line, which is equal to its position on the course relative to the last boat to finish. In awarding such places, the decision of the Race Officer is final and shall not provide grounds for any boat to seek redress.

## 12 OFFICIAL VESSELS

All vessels afloat will be identified as follows:

- a. Jury Protest Committee vessels will be marked by a yellow flag;
- b. Mark laying boats and safety boats will be marked by flag with the letter 'R';
- c. Support boats will display a pink flag.

## 13 SUPPORT VESSELS

- 13.1 No coach/support vessels shall be permitted to join this event unless they agree to become part of the rescue fleet in an emergency or if the command rescue boat instructs them to assist in a particular incident.
- 13.2 All coach/support vessels must register their intention to launch at the event with the OA prior to the event.
- 13.3 All coach/support vessels must check in at the Support Boat Registration Desk on arrival at the event and prior to launching.
- 13.4 All coach/support vessels must be launched prior to the event safety briefing on the first day of the event.
- 13.5 All coach/support vessels are asked to keep a listening radio watch on a VHF channel to be advised at the Coach and Support boat Safety Briefing.
- 13.6 Each skipper must attend the safety briefing.
- 13.7 Support boats shall not tow **any** competitors to or from the Race Area unless requested to assist by an official race committee boat.

## 14 PRIZES

In the Senior and Junior Fleets, trophies will be awarded to the National Champion and 1st Girl with Irish Sailing Medals for the top three sailors. Trophies will also be awarded to the top sailor aged under 13 and under 11 and to 1st Girl within the Silver Fleets. There will also be trophies for the top Irish sailor in each race.

Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

