



**Canadian Optimist Dinghy
Championship**
August 17 to 23, 2013
Royal St-Lawrence Yacht Club
Dorval
Quebec, Canada



March 14, 2013

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016* (RRS) of the International Sailing Federation.

1.2 The prescriptions of the Sail Canada will apply. The full text of these prescriptions will be provided at registration.

1.3 Rules 44.1 and P are changed as described in paragraph 10.

1.4 Rule 40 and the preamble to Part IV are amended so that competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while on the water. Wet suits or dry suits do not qualify as personal flotation devices.

1.5 Appendix D will apply for the team racing event, including rules D2.2 and D2.3(a).

1.6 Rule 61.1 "Informing the protestee" is changed as follows:
Add to 61.1(a): The protesting boat shall inform the race committee of the boats(s) being protested immediately after finishing.
Rule 61.1(a)(2) is deleted, thereby requiring boats to display a red flag.

2 ADVERTISING

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

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International Optimist Dinghy class.

3.2 Competitors shall have been born in 1998 or later.

3.3 Competitors are assigned to fleets as follows:

RED: Born in 1998 to 2000

BLUE: Born in 2001 or 2002

WHITE: Born 2003 to 2005

GREEN: Born in 2006 or older

3.4 Eligible boats may enter by visiting the CODA website at www.optican.org or Royal St-Lawrence Yacht Club at www.rstlyc.qc.ca and follow the link to the Regatta Page for early registration before 1700 est on Friday 3 August 2013. All entries after 3 August 2013 shall be subject to a late registration fee.

3.5 Late entries will be accepted at the regatta office up to 1700 hours on Saturday, August 17 2013.

3.6 Registration in the 2013 Canadian Optimist Dinghy Championships will not be permitted without proof of CODA (Canadian Optimist Dinghy Association) membership or membership in any other IODA (International Optimist Dinghy Association) recognized national association. At check in, the Regatta Waiver and Medical Form signed by a parent or guardian must be presented. These forms are available on the regatta website.

3.7 Competitors may register for the team racing event at the regatta office before 1700 hours on Tuesday, August 20. Teams will include 4 boats. Boats not entered as part of a team will be assigned to one by the organizing authority.

3.8 The results at the 2013 CODC Regatta will be used for the selection of sailors to represent Canada for 2014 IODA Regattas and are subject to CODA bylaws and any amendments voted in by members in accordance with the CODA's Constitution and Bylaws at the 2013 annual general meeting.

4 FEES

4.1 The entry fee is \$195.00. The late registration fee is \$225 The fee includes an IODA levy, lunch each day, a regatta tee shirt, snacks after racing each day and 4 dinners. Additional meal tickets can be obtained from the regatta office.

4.2 The coach registration fee is \$150.00. The late coach registration fee is \$175. The fee includes lunch each day, a regatta tee shirt, snacks after racing each day and 4 dinners.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration & check-in:

Saturday, August 17: 0900 to 1700

Sunday, August 18: 0900 to 1700

5.2 Measurement and Inspection:

Saturday, August 17: 0900 to 1700

Sunday, August 18: 0900 to 1700

5.3 Coach meeting

Sunday, August 18 at 1200 hours.

5.4 Dates of racing:

Sunday, August 18 Practice races

Monday, August 19 Fleet racing

Tuesday, August 20 Fleet racing

Wednesday, August 21 Team racing or lay day

Thursday, August 22 Fleet racing

Friday, August 23 Fleet racing

5.5 Number of races:

Fleet racing days: Three races per day are scheduled. Up to one additional race

may be scheduled each day to maintain the schedule.

Team racing: The schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on Tuesday, August 20.

5.6 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the practice race is 1330 hours. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100 hours. On Friday, August 24, no warning signal will be displayed after 1530 hours.

6 MEASUREMENTS AND REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

6.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate. Boats shall have their sail inspected by a regatta official before going to check-in. In addition, foils and hull weight may be inspected at any time during the regatta.

6.2 Competitors shall have a whistle attached to their clothing or PFD.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 1700 hours on Thursday, August 15 on the event web site, and after 0900 hours at the regatta office on Saturday August 17th.

8 VENUES

The racing areas will be determined in the sailing instructions.

9 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be determined in the sailing instructions.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 As provided in rule 67, the protest committee may, without a hearing, protest a boat that has broken rule 42.

10.2 Rule P2.3 will not apply, and rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

11 SCORING

11.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall be marked with flags provided by the organizing authority, shall carry VHF radios and shall assist with rescue and course control as requested by the race committee.

13 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the harbour.

14 MEDIA RIGHTS.

By participating in the event competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any still or motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

15 PRIZES

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16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, "Decision to Race". The organizing 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.

17 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1 million CAD per event or the equivalent.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please visit

www.rstlyc.qc.ca

or contact

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