



Squall Sailing - Optimist Ulster Championships

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East Antrim Boat Club

18th to 19th September 2021

SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS MAIN FLEET

Organising Authority: East Antrim Boat Club (EABC) in association with the International Optimist Dinghy Association of Ireland (IODAI)

COVID-19 Special Protocols

To maintain the safety and well-being of all involved in the event, the Organising Authority (OA), EABC, will issue Covid-19 Special Protocols prior to the event.

All competitors and support persons must comply with these Special Protocols. If the OA finds a competitor or a support person has infringed these protocols they or any person associated with them may be penalised as deemed appropriate by the OA.

This changes Rule 63.1

1. **Rules**

1.0 These Supplementary Sailing Instructions are to be read in conjunction with the current (latest revision) IODAI Major Event Instructions 2021 (MESIs). If there is a conflict between the MESIs and these Supplementary Sailing Instructions, the Supplementary Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. **Notices to Competitors**

2.0 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located within the Clubhouse.

2.1 Competitors briefing for **Main Fleet** sailors will be held at **1015 hrs** on Saturday morning on the grounds of EABC.

2.2 A briefing for support boat crews will be held at **1000 hrs**

3. **Signals made ashore**

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole above the Clubhouse.

4. **Schedule of Races**

Saturday 18th September	1125 Warning Signal	Up to 4 races
Sunday 19 th September	1025 Warning Signal	Up to 4 races

4.1 3 races shall constitute a series.

4.2 The Championship will consist of a maximum of 6 races.

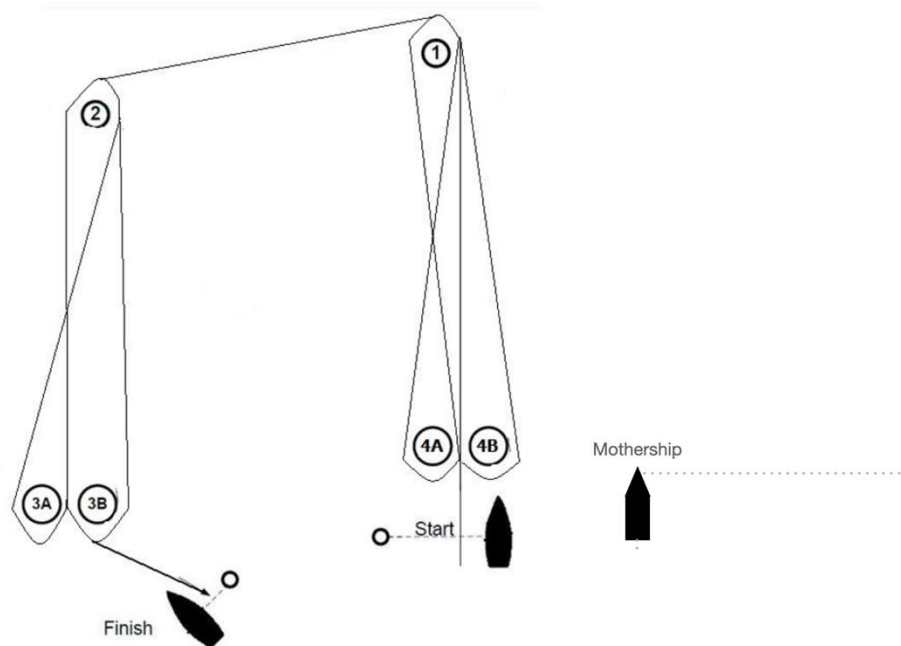
5. **Racing area**

Within the area of Larne Lough, south of the Clubhouse

6. **The Course**

Marks are to be rounded to Port with the exception of the leeward gate at 3A/3B, 4A/4B. Boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either mark. MESI 13.4 and MESI 26.1 (a) are amended by replacing the word "leeward" with "starboard".

The diagram is indicative and not to scale.



Junior Fleet Course

Mark 1, 2, 3a or 3b, 2, 3b, finish

Senior Fleet Course

Mark 1, 4a or 4b, 1, 2, 3b, finish

Marks 1 and 2 to be left to port, Marks 3a/3b and 4a/4b are a gate

7. Marks and Committee Boats

7.1 The six course marks (1, 2, 3a,3b,4a,4b) will be yellow spherical buoys.

7.2 Start line pin end will be an **orange** spherical mark.

Finish line pin end will be a **blue** spherical buoy.

Start vessel – 33ft sailing motor ketch “Serenity” displaying orange flag.

Finish vessel – 20ft yellow open motor cruiser “North Star” displaying blue flag.

8. The Start

The Starting line shall be between the main mast of the start vessel and the start line pin end as outlined in SSI 7.2 above.

9. The Finish

The finishing line, except where a race is shortened, shall be between a pole on the finish vessel and the finish line pin end mark.

10. Protests and Requests for Redress

Protests / requests for redress shall be lodged with the race office before expiry of the protest time limit.

Protest hearings will be notified on the official notice board.

The protest time limit shall be 30 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 less than four races have been completed, a boat's Championship score will be the total of her race scores. If four or more races are completed, a boat's worst excludable score will be excluded from her total.

12. Official Boats

Mark laying and safety boats may be identified with yellow or red numbered flags.

13. Safety

- 13.1 The tally board shall be located near the top of the EABC slipway.

14. Support Boats

Support boats are asked to keep a listening radio watch on VHF Ch. 72.

15. Prizes

The following prizes may be awarded:

Main Gold 1,2,3; Main Silver 1,2,3; Main Bronze 1,2,3;
Junior Gold 1,2,3; Junior Silver 1,2,3; Junior Bronze 1,2,3

Regatta U11, U10, U9;

Best local sailor that did not win a prize

"Sport-person-ship" Award

The ribbon colours set out in MESI 8.1 are amended as follows:

Division	Fleet	Ribbon
Senior	Gold	RED
Senior	Silver	RED
Senior	Bronze	RED
Junior	Gold	BLUE
Junior	Silver	BLUE
Junior	Bronze	BLUE