



Ravensbourne Boating Club

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The Optimist South Island Championships

Saturday 12th March to Sunday 13th March 2016

Dunedin, Upper Otago Harbour.

The Organising Authority is

Ravensbourne Boating Club

NOTICE OF RACE.

1. INTRODUCTION

This is a two day regatta for Optimist Open.

Note; There might be a Green fleet regatta if there are enough interested sailors.

2. Rules

2.1 For the Optimist Open:

The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016.

The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 will apply.

Rule Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply as amended by the Sailing Instructions.

Rule Appendix G3, Chartered or Loaned Boats, will apply.

For protests where only a rule of Part 2, When Boats Meet, or rule 31, Touching a Mark, is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to any formal protest hearing

2.2 For Optimist Green Fleet:

The regatta will be governed by the NZIODA Green Fleet Rules for Racing, version 2010-01 – May 2010 and are available at:

<https://sites.google.com/site/nzcentreboardstandardsis/>

The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1, will apply.



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International Optimist Class Rules will apply.
The Race Signals in the Racing Rules of Sailing will be used.
ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing rule Appendix A, Scoring, will apply.
ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing rule Appendix G, Identification on Sails, will apply.

3. ADVERTISING

- 3.1 The Organising Authority may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

4. CHANGES TO RACING RULES

The Racing Rules will be changed in the Sailing Instructions in accordance with Rule 86, *Changes to the Racing Rules*, as follows:

- 4.1 Optimist Open Fleet boats will NOT be exempt from displaying a protest flag. This changes Rule 61.1(a) *Informing the Protestee*.
- 4.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may apply to be scored SRS, "Still Racing Score". This changes rules 35, *Time Limit and Scores*, and A4, *Low Point System* and A5, *Scores Determined by the Race Committee*.
- 4.3 The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 For the Optimist Green Fleet:

The 'Green Fleet' is open to less experienced Optimist Class sailors. The emphasis is on fun and the objective of this regatta is to offer younger siblings and less experienced sailors the opportunity to sail and participate without their feeling the need or burden to sail in the more competitive Open fleet. In the Green Fleet equipment used is not required to hold current measurement certificates (alters International Optimist Class Rule 2.4.1) but all hulls are not required to carry valid ISAF plaques. (This enables local sailors in rotational moulded & old ply hulls to participate).

The objective of this regatta is to offer less experienced sailors the opportunity to sail in a Green Fleet regatta at the same venue as the Optimist South Islands without their feeling the need or burden to sail in the 9 race South Island Championship.

It is unlikely that Green Fleet sailors will have sailed in an Open Fleet regatta of more than 40 boats.

It is expected that Green Fleet Sailors will either:

- be 12 years and under.
- have sailed for less than 2 seasons.
- have not previously raced outside of green fleet except at regattas where no green fleet racing was offered.
- when having achieved a podium finish in an NZIODA ranking regatta green fleet or three or more podium finishes in other green fleet regattas advance to the open fleet.



5.2 For the Optimist Open Fleet

Entry is open to all boats of the Optimist class that have all valid measurement certificates and have passed the regatta registration.

5.3 For all Optimist Fleets

To be eligible to compete each competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by their national authority and shall be a member of the national optimist association in their country of residence in addition each New Zealand sailor competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by Yachting New Zealand.

The regatta is open to all competitors born in the year 2001 or later.

Entries should be made using the entry form on the website www.ravensbourne.co.nz

5.4 Entry fees are:

One sailor in Optimist Open Fleet	\$30
One sailor in the Optimist Green Fleet	\$20
Each additional sailor from the same family each additional sailor	\$10 & \$5 respectively, discount for each additional sailor
No Late Entry fee	(Please indicate intent)

Late entries, accompanied by an entry fee of \$30 may be accepted at the Race Committee's discretion until 0900 hours on Saturday 12th March. No entries will be accepted after this time.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1

Date	Time of first Warning Signal	Open Fleet	Green Fleet
Friday 11th	1700-1900	Registration	Registration
Saturday 12 th	0800-0900	Registration	Registration
	0900hrs	Sailors Briefing	Sailors Briefing
	0930hrs	Patrol & Official Boats Briefing	Patrol & Official Boats Briefing
	1030 hrs	4 Races	4 Races
Sunday 13 th	0930hrs		Sailor Briefing
	1030hrs	3 Races	2 Races

6.2 No Practice race is scheduled.



- 6.3 Seven races scheduled for Open Fleets, five races scheduled for Green Fleet.
- 6.4 No more than four races will be sailed by any fleet on any day.
- 6.5 At the discretion of the Race Committee any days schedule of racing may be altered to suit changes in circumstances.
- 6.6 On the last day of the regatta, no warning signal will be made after 1530.
- 6.7 Prize giving as soon as possible after racing is completed.

7 OPTIMIST GREEN FLEET SAILORS RACE DAY BRIEFING

- 7.1 A Sailors Race Day Briefing will be held before each days racing. Except on the first day of the regatta it will be held one hour before the first warning signal all sailors should attend as it may contain information regarding the format of the day's racing.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8 The sailing instructions will be available on www.ravensbourne.co.nz website from 1st March 2016
- 8.1 Sailing Instructions will not be distributed at the regatta, Please print your Sailing Instructions from the website.

9 RACING AREA

- 9.1 Based at Ravensbourne Boating Club.
- 9.2 All races will be sailed on Upper Otago Harbour

10 LAUNCHING

- 10.1 Unless otherwise directed by the Organising Authority, all competing boats will be launched and retrieved from the Ravensbourne Boating Club. Green fleet may be shifted to a sheltered area of the Upper Otago Harbour depending on wind conditions.

11 FORMAT

- 11.1 The Optimist Open fleet will race as a single Fleet.
- 11.2 The Optimist Green fleet will race as a single Fleet.



12 OTHER INFORMATION

12.1 Information regarding Courses, Penalty Systems, Support boats, Liabilities and Prizes will be included in Sailing Instructions.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

Web site www.ravensbourne.co.nz

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