



RStGYC Christmas Regatta
December 3rd (with 4th as backup day)

Sailing Instructions

Rules

1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2. The prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association will apply.

2. Notice to Competitors

2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board outside the results office.

3. Changes to the Sailing Instructions

3.1. Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:45hrs on the day it will effect.

4. Schedule of Races

Date	Class	First Race Warning Signal
Course A	Optimist (Trials)	11:55 am
Course B	Optimist Main	11:57 am
	Topper	12:00 pm
	Laser 4.7	12:00 pm
	Feva	12:03 pm
	Laser Radial	12:03 pm
	420	12:06 pm

4.1 Number of Races: Where possible there shall be 5 races for each class.

5. Class Flags

Class	Flag
Feva / Laser Radial	F
Topper / Laser 4.7	T
Optimist (Trials) / Optimist Main 420	O 420

6. Racing Area

6.1. Racing for course B will be outside the harbour weather permitting.

6.2. The Optimist Trials Fleet will race in Dublin Bay where possible and the approximate location will be advised during the briefing.



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7. The Course

7.1. Course A

Course A



Fleet	Course to be sailed
Optimist (Trials)	1-2-3-4-1-4- Finish



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7.2 . Course B

Course B



Fleet	Course to be sailed
All Classes. The number of rounds will be indicated on a blackboard on Committee Boat	1-2-3- Finish



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Note: No Sailing through the start line after the race start.

8. Marks

8.1. Marks shall be orange or yellow in colour, where possible.

8.2. The starting and finishing marks will be a candy striped mark, where possible.

9. The Start

9.1. Races will be started by using rule 26 for Course A ie 5 minute sequence.

Races for COURSE B will use a 3 minute sequence

9.2. The starting line will be between the Committee Boat and the port end starting mark as described in 9.2.

9.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

9.4. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing.
This changes rules A4 and A5.

11. The Finish

The finishing line is the same as the start line, as in 10.2 above.

12. Time limits and Time targets

12.1. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, 4 and A5.

13. Protest and requests for redress

14. All protests must be notified to the Jury boat on the water as soon as possible after each race is completed. The jury boat will adjudicate all protests on the water, as soon as it is practical to get the two parties alongside the jury rib. All decisions of the jury on the water are final.

14. Scoring

14.1. When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

14.2. When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of their race scores excluding her worst score.



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15. Safety

- 15.1.** Competitors shall wear adequate personal flotation devices, properly secured at all times when afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.
- 15.2.** The organising Authority may stop a boat launching or require it to return ashore, if it considers the boat, its equipment or crew are not adequately equipped for the likely conditions or for any other reasons. The decision is final and shall not be grounds for redress.
- 15.3.** Competitors in difficulty shall obey any instruction given by a rescue boat crew.
- 15.4.** A boat that retires from a race shall notify a rescue boat immediately.

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 cover of €1,750,000 or the equivalent per event.