



Royal Lyngby Yacht Club Optimist Open Meeting 2021
29th – 30th May 2021

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NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority is the Royal Lyngby Yacht Club.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. The Royal Lyngby YC Safety Regulations, Appendix SR of this notice of race shall apply.
- 1.3. All participants (competitors, support persons and officials) are expected to follow current government COVID-19 guidelines and legislation. However, these are outside the jurisdiction of the Protest Committee. The event sailing instructions may include an Addendum with rules relating to Covid-19 that will govern the event and be within the jurisdiction of the Protest Committee.
- 1.4. Except with the prior written permission of the race committee, every competitor, whilst afloat, shall wear an adequate wet or dry suit covering the torso.
- 1.5. The race committee may stop a boat launching, or require it to return ashore, if they consider that the boat, its equipment and/or helm are not adequate for the likely conditions.
- 1.6. Dinghies in the Lyngby River whether racing or sailing to/from the race area shall not cause the Wightlink ferry to take avoiding action and shall follow instructions from officials to ensure safe passage.

2. Advertising

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

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. Entries shall be made via Webcollect link from the Club website.
- 3.2. All boats shall hold adequate insurance and in particular hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3.0 million.
- 3.3. The event is open to the following boats:

Class	Entry Fee	Max No of Entries
Main Fleet	£45	70
Regatta Fleet	£45	30
A waiting list will be available should the event hit capacity		

- 3.4.

Entry Dates:

Entries Open From	Latest Date / Time for Entry
Wednesday 27th April	Monday 24th May – 23:59

The latest entry date / time may be extended by the race committee.

3.5. Other conditions of entry.

3.5.1. This event is only open to Optimist dinghies complying with the Optimist class rules and age restrictions.

3.5.2. Unless the race committee provides dispensation in writing, sailors must be a minimum of 8 years old. Sailors must be able to competently and confidently sail a triangular course in moderate conditions. They must also be able to right and bail a capsized Optimist unassisted.

4. Racing Schedule

4.1. The event is scheduled and divided into series as follows:

Series	First Race Day	Last Race Day	No. of Races Scheduled each day + No. of extra races **	Total number of Scheduled Races	Time of 1 st Warning Signal Saturday	Time of 1 st Warning Signal Sunday
Main	29/5/20 21	30/5/20 21	4 + 1 extra	8	11:00	10:00
Regatta	29/5/20 21	30/5/20 21	4 + 1 extra	8	11:05	10:05

4.2.

**Extra races may be sailed to maintain the original total number of scheduled races in the series.

4.2. Registration from 08:30 on 29/5/2021

4.3. There will be a competitor briefing at 09:45 29/5/2021 in the paved area to the south of the Clubhouse near the slipway

5. Sailing Instructions

5.1. The sailing instructions for each event will normally be available at the Club and on the Club website one week before the first race of the event.

6. Venue and Course Area

6.1. The venue will be the Royal Lymington Yacht Club, Bath Road, Lymington, SO41 3SE.

6.2. The course areas will be in The Solent close to the Lymington River.

6.3. Optimist road trailers may be stored free of charge at Berthon Shipyard

6.4. Camper vans / motorhomes are welcome at Berthon Shipyard (150m walk from yacht club) at a charge of £25

7. Courses

- 7.1. Courses will be inner and outer loop trapezoid type.
- 7.2. The courses to be sailed will be described in the sailing instructions.

8. Penalty System

- 8.1. The sailing instructions will specify any changes to RRS 44 and if RRS Appendix P applies.
- 8.2. For breaches of any rule, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 and 2, the protest committee may decide the penalty may be less than DSQ.

9. Scoring

- 9.1. The minimum number of races to constitute a series is 1.
- 9.2. The number of counted races and excluded races will be as follows:

Series	No. of Completed Races	No. of Discards
Main and regatta fleet	1-2	0
Main and regatta fleet	3-8	1

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10. Prizes

- 10.1. Prizes will be specified in the event sailing instructions.

11. Risk Statement

- 1. Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol vessel cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;

14. Support Boats

14.1. Support boats may be subject to restrictions that will be detailed in the sailing instructions.

15. Use of Personal Data

15.1. I, my crew and our support persons understand that the organizing authority will hold and use our personal data for the purpose of the event and the application of the rules. Further information can be found at [Club Data Policy](#).

16. Amendments to the Notice of Race

16.1. This notice of race may be changed by a notice posted on the official notice board (and duplicated on the Club website).

Further Information

All events will be conducted in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.

NOTICE OF RACE - APPENDIX SR - SAFETY REGULATIONS

3. Safety Regulation Specific to Dinghies

3.1. Dinghies shall comply with their class rules.

3.2. The personal flotation devices carried for each person on board shall conform to ISO 12024 (or equivalent) and have a minimum Level of 50N and be of the appropriate size.

3.3.1 All outdoor recreation must conform to all applicable government rules during the COVID emergency and be undertaken in a manner consistent with the RYA's current guidance for racing ([RYA Sailing & Racing in Mixed Households.pdf](#)).