



NOTICE OF RACE

Optimist Open Regatta Fleet. Saturday 8th May.

1 Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. Competitors should note that King George Sailing Club (“KGSC”) implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024
- 1.2. The KGSC Sailing Instructions will be available on the club website (www.kgsc.org.uk) by 21:00 on Wednesday the 5th of May. The venue shall be King George Sailing Club, 3 Lea Valley Rd, London E4 7PX

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. The event is open to all boats of the International Optimist Class.
- 2.2. Boats may enter the event by completing the online entry form at <http://www.kgsc.camp9.org/event-4193161> together with the required fee paid through the online entry form by Paypal by midnight on Tuesday 4th of May
- 2.3. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 2.4. Late entries from boats will not be accepted.
- 2.5. The following restrictions on the number of boats apply: The event is limited to 30 boats.
- 2.6. King George Sailing Club reserves the right to refuse late entries from boats sailed by visitors on safety or operational grounds.
- 2.7. Boats will be sailed as one combined fleet. Main fleet sailors are permitted but will be excluded from any prizes
- 2.8. COVID ENTRY RESTRICTIONS
 - 2.8.1. Attention is drawn to the Government regulations and RYA guidance including the minimising of travel.
 - 2.8.2. Only 1 adult per competitor should come to the KGSC site

3. Fees

3.1. Entry fees are as follows:

3.1.1. Boats sailed by visitors will be £15.

3.1.2. Boats helmed by a KGSC member, who has a registered boat at KGSC, will be £7.

4. Programme

4.1. The number of results counted will be as stated in the Sailing Instructions.

5. Race Fleets

5.1. There will be one fleet

5.2. The Regatta Fleet is suitable for younger, less experienced sailors unfamiliar with open meetings. The Regatta Fleet may be supported.

6. Schedule

6.1. There will be no registration on the day

Registration	There will be no registration on the day
Competitors Briefing	9:45
First AM warning signal – not before	10.30
Lunch ashore	12.30-13.00
Last Warning – not after	16:00
Ashore	16:30
Prize giving	There will be no prize giving ceremony. Prizes will be individually presented

6.2. There will be a maximum of 10 races for the Regatta fleet.

6.3. The intention is that there will be a short break ashore for lunch

7. Course

7.1. The course will be either be Trapezoid or Triangle. Please refer to the Sailing Instructions

8. Scoring

8.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series

8.2. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst scores as listed below

Races completed	Scores Excluded
1-2	0
3-6	1
7-10	2

9. Insurance

9.1. Any boat entering must have valid Third Party insurance cover for a minimum of £2,000,000

10. Statement of Risk

10.1. Rule 4 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:

- (i) 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;
- (ii) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (iii) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (iv) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (v) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (vi) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (vii) 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 at the venue; Parents and guardians are warned that they have sole responsibility for their children and wards and must appreciate that King George Sailing Club cannot be expected to exercise supervision or control. King George Sailing Club cannot accept responsibility for children, or any other persons not engaged in racing.

11. Statement of Risk

11.1. COVID-19 INFORMATION

11.1.1. Note that changing rooms and showers are not available and a 'one way' system operates in the toilets

11.1.2. The final decision on whether the event can proceed will be made by Wednesday 5th May 2021. If the forecast wind strength, or COVID-19 restrictions cause cancellation of the event by 20:00 on Wednesday 5th May 2021, full refunds of the entry fees will be given. Notice of cancellation will be posted on the KGSC website no later than 22:00 on Wednesday 5th May 2021.

11.2 General

1.1.1 Buoyancy aids must be worn by anyone (adult or child) entering the reservoir bowl

1.1.2 Cars must remain in the car park by the gate and are not permitted to be driven over the bridge.

12. Prizes

12.1. Prizes will be awarded to first boy and first girl. Further prizes will be at the discretion of the organisers according to the number of entries.

13. General Housekeeping

13.1. Due to the Sheep on site NO DOGS are allowed.

13.2. All Boats must be washed before they enter the Water.

14. Contact details

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3 Lea Valley Rd, London E4 7PX
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For entry forms and all other matters, please email: optimists@kgsc.org.uk