TOP OF THE GULF REGATTA 2017

4th – 8th May 2017 Ocean Marina Yacht Club, Pattaya, THAILAND Sailing Instructions Class 9, 10 and 12

Thailand Optimist National Championship 2017 Open Dinghies Races

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 Class 9, 10 and 12 are identified as follows:

Handicap

- Class 9 Single-Handed Monohull Dinghies RVYC Portsmouth Yardstick
- Class 10 Double-Handed Monohull DinghiesRVYC Portsmouth Yardstick
- Class 12 Optimist Thailand National Championship 2017
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located opposite the OMYC building entrance.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at a flag mast carrying the regatta flag located in front of the marina. When a visual signal is displayed over a class flag, it applies to that class only.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Number of races:

<u>Class</u>		<u>Number</u>	Races per day
Class 9	Single-Handed Monohull Dinghies	9	3
Class 10	Double-Handed Monohull Dinghies	9	3
Class 12	Optimist	9	3

One extra race per day may be sailed, provide that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to SI 3.

Racing schedule is shown in Attachment 2.

5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The class flags will be:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Class 9 Single-Handed Monohull Dinghies	Blue flag
Class 10 Double-Handed Monohull Dinghies	Green flag
Class 12 Optimist (all boats)	Class insignia
Class 12 Optimist Fleet A	Class insignia over Numeral 1
Class 12 Optimist Fleet B	Class insignia over Numeral 2

7. RACING AREAS

Attachment 1 shows the location of the racing area.

8. THE COURSES

The diagrams in Attachment 3 show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9. MARKS

- 9.1 The marks of the course will be inflatable blue round buoys, orange buoys, red buoys or islands and navigation aids as identified in the course illustrations.
- 9.2 The new mark as provided in instruction 12 will be a yellow cylinder buoy.
- 9.3 The starting line marks will be Race Committee vessel at the starboard end and a buoy with an orange flag or a boat displaying an orange flag at the port end. The finishing line marks will be Race Committee vessel and a buoy displaying a blue flag.

10. THE START

- 10.1 The classes may be started in any order.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]
- 10.4 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel and the course side of the nearby finishing mark.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 Appendix P will apply.

14. TIME LIMITS

14.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Time limit</u>	Mark 1	Target
		time limit	<u>time</u>
Class 9 Single-Handed Monohull	75	25	50
Class 10 Double-Handed Monohull	75	25	50
Class 12 Optimist	75	30	50

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

14.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms are available from the Jury office, located on the 2nd floor of OMYC. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

- 15.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located on the 2nd floor of OMYC, beginning at the time posted. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 30 minutes before the end of protest time.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5 A list of boats that, under SI 14.3, have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- 15.6 Breaches of instructions 10.3, 21 and 22 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 15.8 Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5

16. SCORING

- 16.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
- 16.2 Three races shall be completed to constitute a series for each class.
- 16.3 (a) When fewer than 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from 7 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.4 For Optimist, all boats will be divided into Fleet A and Fleet B according to their ranking at the end of the first scheduled racing day. The results of the first scheduled racing day will be counted as overall results for both Fleets. Boats in Fleet B shall display a ribbon permanently fixed and free to fly from the top of the sprit. The Organizer will provide the ribbons

17. SAFETY REGULATION.

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible [DP].

18. TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

19. MARK BOATS & COMMITTEE BOATS

The regatta flag is a white flag with the regatta logo. This flag will be flown from all committee boats. Failure to display this flag will not be grounds for Redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a).

20. ADVERTISING

Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority.

21. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

22. PRIZES

22.1 The following TOGR principal prizes will be awarded in each of the classes:

22.2 For Optimist, the following prizes will be awarded to both Fleet A and Fleet B:

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1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Place of Open class
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1st to 3rd Place of Girl skipper

1st to 3rd Place of skipper Under 12 years old

For Thailand Optimist National Champion, only Thai sailor is eligible for the title.

22.3 Other prizes may be awarded.

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

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Attachment 1



Attachment 2

Class 9 Single-Handed Monohull Dinghies Class 10 Double-Handed Monohull Dinghies

	DATE		SCHEDULE	WARNING SIGNAL
THR	4 May	14:00-16:30	Registration Class 9 & 10	
		18:00	Opening Ceremony at OMYC	
FRI	5 May	09:00	Briefing on "D" floor	
		Race 1	Class 9	11:00
			Class 10	11:05
		Race 2 & 3		Back to back
		17:00	Daily prize giving	
SAT	6 May	Race 4	Class 9	11:00
			Class 10	11:05
		Race 5 & 6		Back to back
		17:00	Daily prize giving	
SUN	7 May	Race 7	Class 9	11:00
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		17:00	Dinner & Prizes Giving	

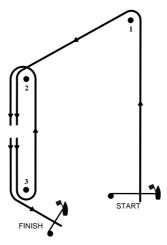
Class 12 Optimist

	DATE		SCHEDULE	WARNING SIGNAL
FRI	5 MAY	09:00	Registration	
		10:00	Briefing on "D" floor	
		Race 1		12:00
		Race 2 & 3		Back to back
SAT	6 MAY	Race 4		12:00
		Race 5 & 6		Back to back
SUN	7 MAY	Race 7		12:00
		Race 8 & 9		Back to back
		18:00	Dinner & Prizes Giving	

Attachment 3

Course for Class 9 and Class 10

Trapezoid Outer

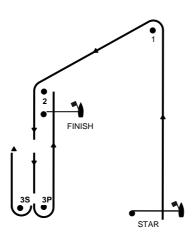


Course signal

2 3 Mark rounding order

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 3 - Finish Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 3 - Finish Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 3 - 2 - 3 - Finish

Course for Class 12 Optimist



Mark rounding order

Start -1-2-3S/3P - Finish