

18th MAPFRE EUROMED INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Mellieha Bay, Malta
17th to 20th December, 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The following Class Rules will apply.
The International Optimist Dinghy Association
The International Laser Class Association
- 1.4 Attention is drawn to IODA Class Rules 2016, Para 4. Additional Rules. Class rules Link is http://www.optiworld.org/uploaded_files/Document_2304_20160103144814_en.pdf
- 1.5 Rule changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other sailing rules and will be available at the Race Office during registration.
- 1.6 English is the official language for the event, notwithstanding that Notices may be issued in another language. the English text will take precedence.
- 1.7 The Euromed International Championship is a Class Ranking event of the Malta Sailing Federation.

2. ADVERTISING

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

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes
 - 3.1.1 Optimist Class
Either [a] Senior Division - Boys & Girls born between 2002 and 2005 (12-15yrs)
Or [b] Cadet Division - Boys and Girls born between 2006 and 2009 (8-11yrs)
whose ranking shall be extrapolated from the open class.
[c] Beginners Division - Boys and Girls born between 2004 and 2009, and have only been sailing for not more than 12 months. Sailors in this division need to have a letter from their Class Association or Club stating that these sailors comply with this requirement.
 - 3.1.2 Laser 4.7 class
 - 3.1.3 Laser Radial class
- 3.2 Four or more boats shall constitute a class.

4. ENTRY/FEEES

- 4.1 Entries are accepted on a first come first served basis, late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organizers.
- 4.2 Maximum restrictions on the number of boats competing may apply. The following numbers are indicative only and are at the discretion of the Race committee.
[a] Optimist Classes 250 entrants
[b] Both Laser Classes 70 entrants
- 4.3 All entries, when accepted, will be displayed on the regatta website. This display can be considered as confirmation of acceptance of entry, but that will not imply confirmation of accommodation.
- 4.4 Entries shall be made by filling in the relevant online registration form available at <http://euromed.maltayoungsailors.com> and by paying the required fees in Euros to

Malta Young Sailors Club/Euromed Championship Account

HSBC Bank Malta Ltd., The Strand, Gzira, Malta
Bank Account no 039 062518-002
IBAN MT62 MMEB 4439 2000 0000 3906 2518 002
Swift Code / BIC MMEBMTMT

4.2.1 Entry fee will be €95 per competitor until 15th November 2017, including registration, water and snack during the races, a warm meal daily after racing. For entry fees received later than 16th November 2017 a late entry fee of €105 will apply.

5. CLASSIFICATION

5.1 The WS Sailor Classification Code will apply.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Registration:

Notice of Registration is to be effected via the club website. Final registration at the Race Office at the venue shall be open on

Wednesday 13th December 10:00 to 13:00 – 14:00 to 17:00

Thursday 14th December 10:00 to 13:00 – 14:00 to 17:00

Friday, 15th December 9:30 to 13:30 – 14:30 to 17:30

Saturday, 16th December 9:00 to 13:00 – 14:00 to 18:00

Sunday, 17th December Race office opens at 8:30

6.2 Dates of racing:

17th December – Two races with the first warning signal at 1100 hrs

18th & 19th December – Three races each day with the first warning signal at 1000 hrs

20th December – One race with the first warning signal at 1000 hrs.

6.3 The number of races on each day may vary depending on the weather conditions and may be reduced or cancelled altogether or increased by up to two more races per day at the discretion of the race committee.

7. VENUE

7.1 The Regatta shall take place on the waters in or just outside Mellieha Bay on the northeast shore of MALTA.

8. THE COURSES

8.1 Trapezoid or Windward leeward Course diagrams shall be available in the sailing Instructions.

9. INTERNATIONAL JURY

9.1 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS rule 70.5.

10. SCORING

10.1 The Low Point Scoring system shall be used.

10.2 In each class three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.3 Depending on the number of entries a class fleet may be divided into several flights.

11. STORAGE OF BOATS

11.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the designated boat park.

12. PRIZES

12.1 Prizes will be awarded to the 1st 2nd & 3rd in each class with six or more entries.

12.2 If there are more than six females in any one class the results of the female competitors shall be extrapolated and these shall form a female division within that class. The first placed female competitor in each division shall be awarded a prize.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

13.1 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.

13.2 Parents or guardians of entrants below eighteen years of age are to sign the disclaimer form and undertake all responsibility.

14. INSURANCE

14.1 Competitors must be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. Insurance policy needs to be shown on registration.

15. BOAT CHARTER

15.1 Optimist Boats will be available for charter in limited quantities and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

15.2 NEWBlue Charter Optimist boats at a charter fee of €345 will be made available for the regatta. This charter fee includes one free day for early arrivals. An extra daily charge of €25 will be charged for these boats when used before the regatta. The NEW Blue Charter Optimist boats shall be fully equipped, excluding sail and will be available before the regatta. Bookings shall be made on <http://www.newblue.eu>.

15.3 Charterboats have to be confirmed and paid by 15th November 2017 latest. Only submitted payments will guarantee a charter boat.

15.4 Unless otherwise expressly permitted in writing by the Malta Young Sailors Club, it shall not be permitted for any entrant, club or sailing school to charter any boat for use in the Regatta from any third party.

15.5 All charterers need to pay a refundable damage deposit of €150.

15.6 Please enquire for availability of Laser hulls for charter.

15.7 Please enquire for charter ribs.

16. ACCOMMODATION

16.1 The official Event Hotel will be the Seabank Hotel in Mellieha Bay. Bookings under the code 'Euromed' with preferred rates can be arranged directly with the hotel <http://www.dbhotelsresorts.com/dbseabank>.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

17.1 For any further details please visit website <http://www.maltayoungsailors.com> or contact the Malta Young Sailors Club Secretary, Ms. Anna Rossi by e-mail at info@maltayoungsailors.com or Telephone +356 9949 4657.