

# Swiss Optimist Teamrace Championship 2023

Oberhofen September 23 to 25 2023

Regattaclub Oberhofen in conjunction with Swiss Optimist und Swiss Sailing  
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**SUI**  
sailing

## Sailing Instructions

### 1 Rules

- 1.1 See rules listed in NOR 1
- 1.2 Rule 40 is changed to read: «At all times while afloat, competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.»
- 1.3 The jury's decisions shall be final, as provided for in RRS 70.5[a].
- 1.4 German is the official language of the regatta.  
For official texts, the English text takes precedence

### 2 Changes to Sailing Instructions or the format

- 2.1 Changes to these SI made ashore will be posted at the notice board, signalled by flying flag «Lima», at least 15 minutes before the starting boat leaves the harbor.
- 2.2 Changes made afloat will be signalled by displaying flag «Lima» with a long sound signal. The race officer or an umpire may communicate the changes either verbally or in writing. These changes will be effective immediately and posted on the official notice board at the end of that day's racing. This changes rule 90.2 (c).
- 2.3 Changes of the format may be made according SI 2.2

### 3 Communication with Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the front of the clubhouse.

### 4 Signals made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at mast of the starting boat moored in the harbour.
- 4.2 The warning signal for the next race will be made not less than 10 minutes after flag AP is lowered ashore.
- 4.3 When Flag AP/H is displayed ashore boats shall not leave the harbor.

### 5 Schedule

Date	Schedule	Time
Sat 23.9.	Registration, Sailing Instructions available Briefing First race - warning signal	9 - 10:15 10:30 11:00
Sun 24.9.	Briefing First race - warning signal	8:00 9:00
Mon 25.9.	Briefing First race - warning signal last possible warning signal	8:00 9:00 15:30
Thu 28.9.	Prize Giving during the social event evening of the fleetrace Halle am Riderbach	

### 6 Format

- 6.1 The regatta is a 4-against 4-boat Team Race. If a team consists of 5 boats, only 4 boats shall participate in a race. The 5th boat shall be in the waiting area or ashore.
- 6.2 The regatta will consist of one or more Round-Robin(s) if possible followed by Semi Finals and Finals. The format may be adapted according to the weather conditions.
- 6.3 The committee will provide a pairing list or display it on the starting boat.

## 7 Identification of boats and participants

- 7.1 Participants shall wear lycras which are made available by the organizer.
- 7.2 The participants shall wear these lycras over other clothing at all times while afloat.
- 7.3 Lost or damaged lycras cost CHF 40.-/piece
- 7.4 Lost protest flags cost CHF 5.-/piece.
- 7.5 The amount of CHF 100.- (see NOR 5.1) credited to the account is retained as a deposit.
- 7.6 The Identification shall be placed on the boat as shown in Addendum B.

## 8 Course










- 8.1 IODA "Digital N" Teamrace course. Marks 1 and 2 shall be left starboard, marks 3 and 4 to port. See addendum A
- 8.2 The starting and the finishing line shall only be crossed while starting or finishing. At other times they shall rank as obstructions. On the downwind leg between mark 2 and 3 the starting line and marks shall be left on starboard.
- 8.3 The race committee may move marks of the course at any time. Rule 33 will not apply.
- 8.4 The moving of marks by the race committee will not be grounds to request for redress by a boat. This changes rule 62.1 (a).
- 8.5 The course will not be shortened. Rule 32 will not apply.

## 9 Marks

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 are orange pyramidal GPS marks.
- 9.2 Starting marks are a committee boat and at the pin end an red floating tube mark..
- 9.3 Finishing marks are a committee boat and a yellow cylindrical mark.

## 10 The Start

- 10.1 Rules 26 and 27.1 shall not apply.
- 10.2 The races are started as follows

Signal	Flag		Sound	Minutes
Flight starts		↑	●	4
Warning signal Race 1		↑	●	3
Preparatory signal Race 1		↑	●	2
		↓	●	1
Start Race 1 / Warning signal Race 2		↓ ↑	●	0 / 3
Preparatory signal Race 2		↑	●	2
		↓	●	1
Start Race 2 / Warning signal Race 3		↓ ↑	●	0 / 3
...	...	...	...	...
Start Race n	n	↓	●	0
Flight ends after Race n finished		↓		

- 10.3 Missing sound signals are not grounds for redress.
- 10.4 The starting signal is the warning signal for the following race.
- 10.5 The starting line is between the flagpole of the orange flag on the committee boat and the starting mark.
- 10.6 A boat shall not start more than 2 minutes after her starting signal.

## 11 Recalls

- 11.1 Flag X will be displayed no longer than 1 minute after the starting signal. This changes RRS 29.1.
- 11.2 The committee may hail the IDs of OCS boats. Incorrectly called or unheard IDs are not grounds for redress.

## 12 The Finish

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between the flag pole with the blue flag on the committee boat and the

yellow mark.

- 12.1 Boats that have finished shall return directly to the waiting area passing the marks 3 and 4 outside and leeward, keeping well clear of all boats racing and of all boats whose warning signal has been made.

### **13 Umpiring**

The races will be umpired. Umpire boats carry a «J» flag.

### **14 Protests, Penalties, Requests for redress**

- 14.1 A boat shall deliver protests for incidents in the racing area under a rule not listed under D2.2 and requests for redress for incidents in the racing area to the race committee finishing boat not later than 2 minutes after finishing.
- 14.2 When a boat starts and finishes and breaks rule 28.1 by failing to sail the course described in the SI, or breaks SI 10.6, 6 points shall be added to her score without a hearing. This changes rule A5.
- 14.3 The protest time limit for protests or requests for redress by the race committee or the protest committee is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day.
- 14.4 When the race umpires together with one other umpire (when available) decide that a boat has broken rule 14 and there is damage or injury, they may penalize her team by half a race win without a hearing. The boat will be informed as soon as practical and may request a hearing. Any penalty after a hearing will be in accordance with rule D3.1(d). This amends rule 63.1.
- 14.5 If a boat fails to comply with rule 40 (personal flotation devices) the race committee may penalize the competitors' team by one race win without a hearing. This amends rule 63.1.
- 14.6 A hearing may be declined if it is not relevant to progress to the next round. This changes rule 63.1.

### **15 Replacement of equipment**

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the chairman of the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

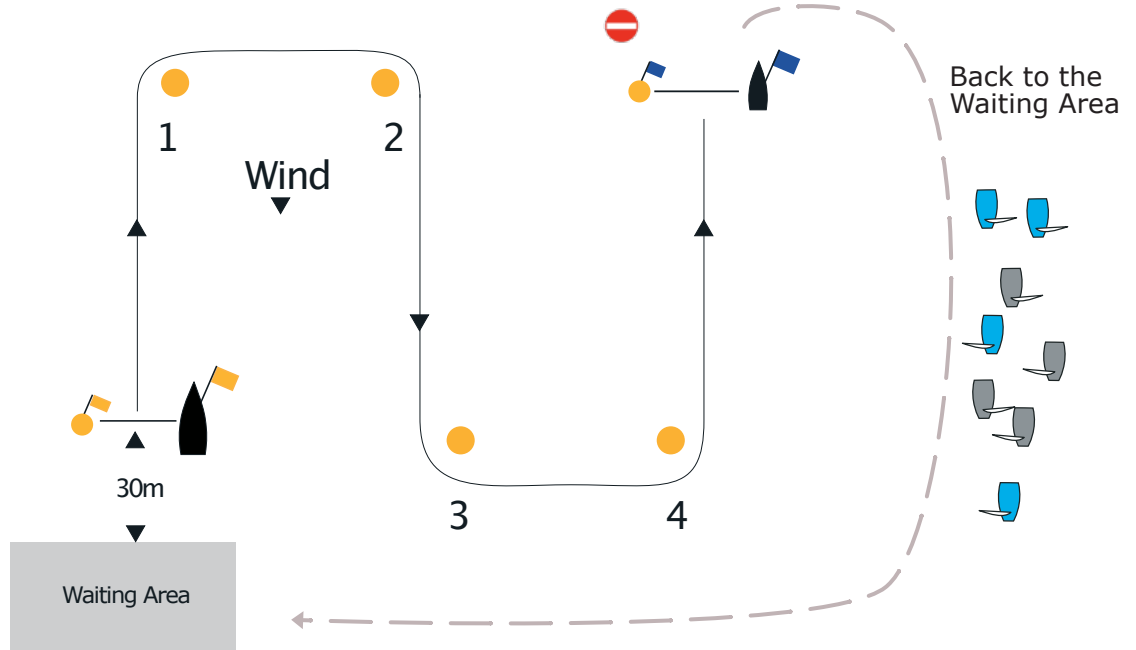
### **16 Equipment and Measurement Checks**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, the NoR and SI.



## Appendix A the course

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 Finish



## Appendix B Position of ID stickers

