



THE 2025 OPTIMIST AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

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ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The 2025 Optimist African Championship is organized by the Tanzania Optimist Dinghy Association under the authority of the International Optimist Dinghy Association (IODA).

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[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee or Technical Committee without a hearing, or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing. This changes RRS 60.5 (b) and RRS A5.1.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Championship will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The current Conditions of the IODA will apply.
- 1.3 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix D will apply for the Team Racing events. Races will be umpired. RRS D1.1(e) is deleted.
- 1.5 RRS 40.1 applies at all times while afloat. The personal flotation device shall conform to Class Rule 4.2 (a).
- 1.6 RRS 90.3 (e) shall apply.
- 1.7 In all rules governing this championship, both "athlete", "sailor", and "competitor" mean a person competing in the event. The term "support person" means a person as defined in RRS.
- 1.8 **[NP][DP]** A sailor or support person shall not act in a way likely to denigrate or offend others at the event or elsewhere.
- 1.9 English is the Official Language of the Championship. If there is a conflict between languages, the language of the original version of the relevant document will take precedence.

2. **[NP][DP]** ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Competitor advertising is permitted on the hull as per World Sailing Advertising Code Regulation 3.2.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. **[NP][DP][SP]** CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT



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- 3.1 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority. Information from this equipment shall not be used by a boat as evidence in a hearing. This changes rule 63.4(b).
- 3.2 Drones are prohibited in the racing area at all times during the championship except those operated by the Organising Authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The Championship is open to competitors sailing on boats of the Optimist class that fulfill the eligibility requirements stated below. On March 1, 2022 World Sailing published the following recommendations in relation to the situation in Ukraine: <https://www.sailing.org/2022/03/01/world-sailing-statement-6/> To help preserve the integrity and safety of the 2025 Optimist African Championship, entries shall be open to all nationalities but not to competitors and support persons holding only Russian or Belarussian nationality. However, this does not apply to bona fide residents that fulfil the requirements of Condition 10.2 of the IODA Continental Championships as of March 1, 2022. The Organising Authority may amend this rule following any further World Sailing decisions on the situation with Russia and Belarus.
- 4.2 Competitors shall have been born in 2010 or later.
- 4.3 African members of IODA may enter up to 10 sailors. African members are defined as those so listed on the IODA website www.optiworld.org. For the team racing event, each member entering 8 to 10 members may enter 2 teams.
- 4.5 The IODA member from Tanzania, as the host member, may enter up to 20 competitors, of which there shall be a minimum number of the opposite gender, as indicated in 4.8 below. For the team racing event, the host member may enter up to three teams.
- 4.6 Sailors whose IODA member is European but who are residents of an overseas territory that is geographically in Africa may be entered by the IODA member at the discretion of the IODA Executive Committee. These sailors shall be considered to be African for the purpose of section 17 (PRIZES).
- 4.7 Non-African members of IODA may enter at the discretion of the IODA Executive Committee depending on the number of registered African sailors and the limitations of the Condition 7.3 for the African Championship. Non-African members interested in attending the event shall request to do so officially in writing to regattasecretary@optiworld.org by **April 18, 2025** indicating the number of places requested (of which there shall be a minimum number of the opposite gender as indicated in 4.8 below.)



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- 4.8 Each member of IODA entering 5 or more competitors shall register a minimum number of competitors of the opposite gender in accordance with the IODA Condition 9.3 for Continental Championships, as follows:

Total number of competitors	Minimum of the opposite gender
5 or 6	1
7 to 9	2
10	3
11 - 16	4
17 - 19	5
20	6

- 4.9 The defending African (closed) Champion may participate, if eligible, in addition to the number of competitors allocated to his/her member. This competitor will not count for the gender quota requirement.
- 4.10 Each team shall be accompanied by a Team Leader who shall be responsible for the team at all times and a Coach who is responsible for the sailors afloat. For teams of 10 sailors or less, a third adult is permitted as an additional chaperone/country representative. A maximum of four adults, including the Team Leader and the Coach, shall be allowed only for teams of 10 or more competitors.
- 4.11 Competitors shall be either national or bona fide residents of the country they represent, unless otherwise agreed by the IODA Executive Committee. A competitor who has represented one country at an IODA World or Continental Championship shall not represent another member country except in the case of alteration of residence, which cases shall be approved by the IODA Executive Committee. As per Condition 10.3 of the Optimist Continental Championships, when bona fide resident sailors are members of a team, they shall not be more than 50% of the sailors of their team.
- 4.12 As per World Sailing Regulations Appendix 3, item 19.6 (d) IODA events require competitors to have "World Sailing Eligibility" as defined in items 19.4 and 19.5.

5 ENTRY

- 5.1 Entries shall be made by completing the relevant online registration forms found at <http://2025/africans.optiworld.org/en/default/races/race> and by paying the **required fees** according to the following schedule:



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- 5.1.1 The **First Entry Stage** and a payment for 50% of the total required fees shall be received by the Organising Committee not later than **April 18, 2025**.
- 5.1.2 The **Second Entry Stage** and a payment for the balance of fees (50%) shall be received by the Organising Committee **May 19, 2025**.
- 5.1.3 The **Final Entry Stage** shall be returned to the Organising Committee as soon as the members of the delegation are defined but not later than **June 20, 2025**. Failure to define the members of the team delegation with the required personal data in the online registration area by this date denotes non-compliance with the entry requirements of this championship, and therefore, by the rules of this Notice of Race – sailors shall no longer be considered competitors and will not be able to compete.
- 5.2 Required fees are described in paragraphs 6 (Entry Fees), 15 (Support Team Vessels); and 16 (Charter Boats). See the payment instructions in 6.3, 15.5 and 16.7 below.
- 5.3 A surcharge of 20% will be charged on all late payments to the Organising Committee and includes late payments to the Charter Provider, if applicable, and late payments for early arrival fees.
- NOTE:** *Throughout this document, 'late payment' refers to the amount of money not paid before the relevant deadline, and the surcharge will be applied to the amount paid late, not to the total amount due before the deadline, or to the total amount corresponding to the relevant item.*
- 5.4 Competitors entering and withdrawing their entry not later than **June 13, 2025**, will be refunded 50% of the deposit (except for any bank costs incurred due to the refund). **Competitors withdrawing their entry after this date will not be refunded including early arrival fees.** The same schedule applies for any payment made according to paragraphs 15 and 16 **except for the charter boat fees, which shall not be refunded.**
- 5.5 Competitors, team leaders, coaches and other adults (when they are members of the official delegation) shall complete the on-site registration at the Race Office. The on-site registration of each competitor shall not be completed until the successful completion of measurement has been confirmed by the IODA Technical Committee Technical Committee to the Race Office (see item 9).

6 ENTRY FEES

- 6.1 Entry fees will be **USD 650** per competitor and **USD 750** per adult, maximum four adults according to paragraph 4.10.
- 6.2 Accommodation and meals are included in the entry fee for the duration of the Championship (from the Official Arrival Day to the Official Departure Day inclusive).



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- 6.3 Payment instructions, including banking information, can be found on the PAYMENT page of the online entry system at <http://2025africans.optiworld.org/en/default/races/race>.
- 6.4 Fees shall be paid in USD.
- 6.5 Fees shall be free of bank commissions. Any bank fee shall be charged to the competitors.

7 FORMAT OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

- 7.1 The Optimist African Championship comprises two 'championships':
 - 7.1.1 The OPTIMIST INDIVIDUAL AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIP (IAC).
 - 7.1.2 The OPTIMIST TEAM RACING AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIP (TRAC).
 - 7.1.3 The OPTIMIST NATIONS CUP (NC)
- 7.2 For the **IAC**:
 - 7.2.1 Entries may be divided into fleets to sail a qualifying series followed by a final series.
 - 7.2.2 The qualifying series will take place on the first 2 days of racing. However, if 4 races of the qualifying series have not been completed by the end of the second scheduled racing day, then the qualifying series will continue until the end of the third IAC racing day and so on, until a fourth qualifying race is completed, and then the qualifying series will include all races sailed until the end of that day.
 - 7.2.3 A qualifying series race will not count until all qualifying series fleets have completed that race.
 - 7.2.4 If 4 races are not completed in the qualifying series for all fleets by the end of the program racing days as described in 8.1, fleets shall not be divided into Gold or Silver.
- 7.3 For the **Team Racing Events**:
 - 7.3.1 Each event is organised for a maximum of 16 teams represented by at least 4 competitors. Each team shall comprise of 4 or 5 competitors of which 4 may sail in each race. Composition of teams is at the discretion of the member. If there are more than 16 eligible teams and the host member does not qualify a team, it will replace the last qualified team.
 - 7.3.2 For the selection of the teams, as well as for the seeding, the Race Committee will calculate 'Total scores' per group of 4 competitors per member, as explained below. Using the total number of races sailed until the end of the second IAC racing



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day, or on **August 5, 2025**, inclusive, the total points of the 4 competitors with the best cumulative results from each member will be added to give a total score for the first team of each member. For members with more than 4 competitors, the total points of the following 4 competitors with the best cumulative results from each member will be added to give a total score for the second team of each member and so on.

- 7.3.3 For the team racing events, each member may enter one or two teams comprised of four sailors, except Tanzania, which as host Member is allowed to enter a maximum of three teams, subject to 7.3.1 and 7.3.2.
- 7.3.4 No member will be allowed to enter more than one team in the team racing championship unless a suitable umpire for the TRAC is made available (if required) and the name given to the Organising Committee during registration on the Official Arrival Day.
- 7.3.5 When a member enters more than one team in the same team race event, the position of each team in the grid will be based on each team's total points. Teams with lower total points will be seeded in higher positions.
- 7.3.6 The total points of the competitors, as mentioned in 7.3.2 will be based on the ranking available at 21:00 on **August 5, 2025**, regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided.
- 7.3.7 For members that enter more than one team, they must be identified by coloured ribbons (supplied by the Organising Committee) as follows:

First Team:	No Ribbon
Second Team:	Yellow Ribbon
Third Team:	Blue Ribbon

7.4 TRAC

- 7.4.1 This championship is organised for up to a maximum of 16 teams from IODA Members of Africa represented by 4 or 5 competitors, of which 4 may sail in each race.

7.4.1.1 Teams shall qualify on the basis of points scored in the IAC as described in 7.3.2.

7.4.1.2 If the number of teams eligible to sail in the TRAC is less than 16, the series will be sailed with the number of existing teams according to a format provided by the IODA PRO.



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7.5 NATIONS CUP (NC)

7.5.1 This championship is organised for up to a maximum of 16 teams from IODA Members from outside of Africa represented by 4 or 5 competitors, of which 4 may sail in each race.

7.5.1.1 Teams shall qualify on the basis of points scored in the IAC as described in 7.3.2.

7.5.1.2 If the number of teams eligible to sail in the NC is less than 16, the series will be sailed with the number of existing teams according to a format provided by the IODA PRO.

8 PROGRAM

8.1

Saturday, August 2	Official Arrival Day. Registration and Measurement. Official accommodation is available from 1400.
Sunday, August 3	Registration and Measurement. Team Leaders' meeting. Opening Ceremony
Monday, August 4	IAC, Races.
Tuesday, August 5	IAC, Races.
Wednesday, August 6	TRAC
Thursday, August 7	IAC, Races. Reserve for TRAC
Friday, August 8	IAC, Races. Reserve for TRAC Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony.
Saturday, August 9	Official Departure Day.

8.2 Ten races are scheduled.

9 [DP] MEASUREMENT

9.1 Each boat shall produce a valid Registration Book and each sail shall be accompanied by the corresponding Sail Measurement Certificate (CR 2.5.6 and 6.1.4)



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- 9.2 Competitors shall use only one hull, dagger board, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit, and sail during the Championship. These parts of the equipment will be scrutineered and may be measured by the Technical Committee according to the Measurement Regulations and approved by the Technical Committee to be complying with the Class Rules.
- 9.3 Approval for equipment repairs and/or replacements shall be requested through the relevant forms online in the 'Sailor Account' which is located on the official event microsite <http://2025africans.optiworld.org> or on the event APP, before the Event Protest Time Limit on the respective day, and the equipment has been presented for inspection as instructed. The TC shall extend the time if there is good reason to do so.
- 9.4 If the repair or substitution was made on the water between races, both the damaged and the substituting pieces of equipment shall be presented to the Technical Committee after the end of the day's racing. In this case, the repair or substitution is subject to the written approval of the Technical Committee given retrospectively.
- 9.5 Boats chartered through the Organising Authority shall carry the national letters of the country entering the chartered boat. This may mean a contravention of the Class Rules and is allowed by RRS G3.
- 9.6 Hulls chartered through the Organising Committee are exempt from complying with Class Rule 2.4.3 (b) and (c) and hence from Class Rule 2.4.1.
- 9.7 Competitors are only allowed to compete in the championship in charter boats officially chartered for the championship through the Organising Committee.
- 9.8 Sails measured to the maximum limits during the measurement days may be inspected again.
- 9.9 Sails to be used during the Championship shall have been measured before inspection at the Championship. If a sail is presented unmeasured (or without the Sail Measurement Certificate) it will be measured at the Championship either by an Official Measurer appointed by the Organising Committee, or by an IODA Measurer. In the latter case the certificate shall be issued at a cost of **USD 50**, payable to IODA. Measurement of country letters and sail numbers is available for free.
- 9.10 GRP boats shall be equipped with Epoxy foils.
- 9.11 A boat and all items of equipment (including chartered equipment and boat) once measured, shall not be cleaned using any substance other than water, and shall not be removed from the boat park or nautical venue without the permission of the Technical Committee.



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10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 Sailing Instructions, along with other governing documents, will be available at:
<http://2025africans.optiworld.org/en/default/races/race>

11 VENUE

- 11.1 The Championship will be held in **Dar es Salaam, Tanzania**. The racing area will be the waters of Msasani Bay.
- 11.2 **VENUE:** Dar es Salaam Yacht Club
Address: Leopard's Cove, Msasani Bay, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
Contact email: info@toda.or.tz
Phone: +255 762 224 005

12 THE COURSE

- 12.1 The course for the fleet racing will be an outer loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg.
- 12.2 For the team racing championship, the course will be a starboard 'S' course.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Appendix P will apply for the IAC.
- 13.2 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.3.
- 13.3 The intention is to appoint an international jury as provided in RRS 70.3.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 For the IAC, three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a valid championship.
- 14.2 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 14.3 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15 [NP][DP] SUPPORT TEAM VESSELS

- 15.1 Support team vessels shall be registered with the Organising Committee and used according to the following conditions:



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- 15.1.1 Each support team vessel shall be a minimum of 4.5 metres in length, shall have a tow rope minimum 15 metres in length and 10 mm in diameter and shall have a functional 'kill cord', plus anchor chain and tackle adequate for conditions and depth.
- 15.1.2 Each support team vessel shall display white flags bearing the three-letter national code of the countries it supports. Flags shall be supplied by the Organising Committee. No other flags shall be displayed by support vessels.
- 15.1.3 Unless otherwise decided by the Organising Committee, from **August 2, 2025**, each support team vessel shall meet the requirements of the maximum number of adults per team allowed on the water in support vessels as per 15.2 and 15.3 (hereinafter 'coaches') at any one time.
- 15.1.4 Fuel and other consumables shall be paid by teams using the support team vessel.
- 15.1.5 During the team racing days, the support team vessels shall be at the disposal of the Organising Committee.
- 15.1.6 Coaches are encouraged to use a VHF radio. Radios will not be provided, and coaches should bring their own. **You must notify the Organiser by May 19, 2025, of your intention to bring a VHF in order that they may obtain approval from the authorities.**
- 15.1.7 Coaches and other personnel on support vessels shall be required to wear a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) and be in compliance with the local law. Drivers shall be required to be in possession of a marine boating license and a Disclaimer Form shall be required to be signed upon registration at the venue.
- 15.1.8 Engine safety cut out switch and tether ('kill cord'), also known as a safety lanyard or automatic engine mobilizer; a suitable engine safety cut out switch and tether (kill cord) shall be securely attached to the driver at all times when the engine is running.
- 15.1.9 Personal support team vessels not chartered through the Organising Committee shall be registered with the Organiser and the following documents provided by the **Final Entry Deadline of June 20, 2025**:
- RIB engine registration document (engine brand name & engine serial numbers)
 - Insurance
 - Driver's identity document
 - Proof of Int'l Marine License
- 15.2 The maximum number of coaches per team allowed on the water in support team vessels at any one time shall be:



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Teams comprising 10 or fewer competitors:	1 Coach
Teams comprising 11-20 competitors:	2 Coaches

- 15.3 Each support team vessel shall be shared by at least two coaches at all times (except during the team racing, when one coach per vessel might be allowed, if the Organising Committee so decides.) The Organising Committee will allocate places in support team vessels to coaches who have reserved, subject to the above limits and at its absolute discretion. If a team is entitled to and enters more than one coach, two of these coaches may be allocated to the same vessel.
- 15.4 Teams wishing to have places on chartered support team vessels shall pay for each such place a fee of 50% of the charter fee for the vessel. If the situation demands that more than two coaches share a support team vessel, the cost of renting the vessel for the regatta days will be divided by the number of coaches, in which case the difference (between the 50% required and the actual percentage) will be refunded at the end of the championship at the latest.
- 15.5 Support team vessels to be used during the Championship days (August 2 – 8) are available from the Organising Committee at the **Support team vessel charter fee of USD 1600 per boat / USD 800 per coach**.
- 15.6 For each place on a support team vessel, reservations shall be made by completing the relevant online entry form and by transferring a first payment of 50% of the total amount to be paid, which shall be received on or before **April 18, 2025**. The balance of fees (50%) shall be received on or before **May 19, 2025**. Payment instructions can be found on the PAYMENT page of the online entry system at <http://2025africans.optiworld.org/en/default/races/race> Availability of places on support team vessels is not guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made after **April 18, 2025**.
- 15.7 A damage deposit of **USD 300 per** support team vessel will be charged at registration at the venue and refunded at the end of the championship provided the vessel is in good condition. Should the Organising Committee decide to deduct from the damage deposit, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the coaches are permitted to use the vessel again. Any remaining deposit will be refunded at the end of the Championship. Damage deductions will be shared by the teams using the vessel. **Damage deposits shall be paid in cash (USD) only.**
- 15.8 A surcharge of 20% will be charged to late reservations and/or payments of support team vessels.



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16 [NP][DP] CHARTER BOATS

- 16.1 Charter boats are mandatory.
- 16.2 The charter boats will be provided by the Organising Committee. They will be allocated on a random basis to individual competitors as per IODA Condition 14.3 for Continental Championships.
- 16.3 Competitors shall not modify the boats or cause them to be modified in any way except that:
- A compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
 - Wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
 - Adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line, and
 - All fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided that the Class Rules are complied with.
- 16.4 Competitors may use their own foils, spars, fittings and running rigging.
- 16.5 Charter boats will be delivered:

WITH: hull fittings, two mainsheet blocks attached to the hull (one of them a ratchet block), mainsheet package (snap shackle with normal Harken block to attach the mainsheet to the boom), mainsheet and painter line, 3 airbags, toe straps, shock-cord to keep the dagger board in place (Class Rule 3.3.5), dagger board safety cord (Class Rule 3.3.4), racing spars, racing foils, 2 bailers, 1 paddle, shock cord for bailers and paddle and trolley. Foils bag and top cover will also be provided.

WITHOUT: mast lock, wind indicator or any fitting at the top of the mast to secure the lacing lines at the throat point.

- 16.6 Sails will not be provided.
- 16.7 The charter fee for 7 championship days (August 2 – 8)) will be **USD 650** per boat.
- 16.8 Reservation of charter boats shall be made by completing the online Charter Boat Reservation Form and by transferring **50% of the total charter fee** on or before **April 18, 2025**. The balance of the charter fee (50%) shall be due on **May 19, 2025**. Payment instructions are found on the PAYMENT page of the online entry system at <http://2025africans.optiworld.org/en/default/races/race> Charter boat fees shall not be refunded.
- 16.9 Fees shall be free of bank commissions. Any bank fee will be charged to the competitors.



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- 16.10 Charter boat availability will not be guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made later than **April 18, 2025**.
- 16.11 Late registrations and payments will incur a surcharge of 20% of the charter fee.
- 16.12 In addition to the charter fee a damage deposit of **USD 200** will be required on receipt of each boat, to be refunded if no damage has occurred. **Damage deposits shall be made in CASH (USD) only.**

17 PRIZES

- 17.1 For the **IAC** prizes will be awarded at least to:
 - 17.1.1 The three best placed sailors regardless of gender and continent of residence.
 - 17.1.2 The three best placed female sailors regardless of their continent of residence.
 - 17.1.3 The IODA Perpetual Trophy shall be awarded to the top placed girl whose IODA Member is from Africa.
 - 17.1.4 The IODA Perpetual Trophy shall be awarded to the top placed boy whose IODA Member is from Africa.
 - 17.1.3 The 3 best placed sailors, without gender distinction, whose IODA member is African shall receive prizes. The first of these 3 competitors shall become the African Champion 2025 and shall receive the IODA Perpetual Trophy.
 - 17.1.4 When the fleet is divided into divisions, medals or small tokens shall be awarded to the top three sailors in silver and bronze fleets when applicable.
- 17.2 For the **Team Racing Championships**, prizes will be awarded to each IODA Member of at least the following teams:
 - 17.2.1 The three best placed teams in the TRAC. The first of these teams shall be the 2025 African Team Racing Champion and shall receive the IODA Perpetual Trophy.
 - 17.2.2 The three best placed teams in the Nations Cup.

18 RISK STATEMENT

- 18.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor and the responsible



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adult agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

19 INSURANCE

- 19.1 The purchase of third-party liability insurance from IODA is mandatory. The purchase will be arranged through the IODA at a cost of **USD 12** per competitor and per coach payable to the IODA, **CASH ONLY**, before the end of registration. Note: There is a EURO 150 deductible payable on any claim.

20 MEDIA RIGHTS

- 20.1 By participating in this championship, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority, the IODA, and the sponsors of the championship, the right in perpetuity to make, use, and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures, and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the championship, and of all of his or her material related to the championship, without compensation.

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 21.1 For further information please contact:

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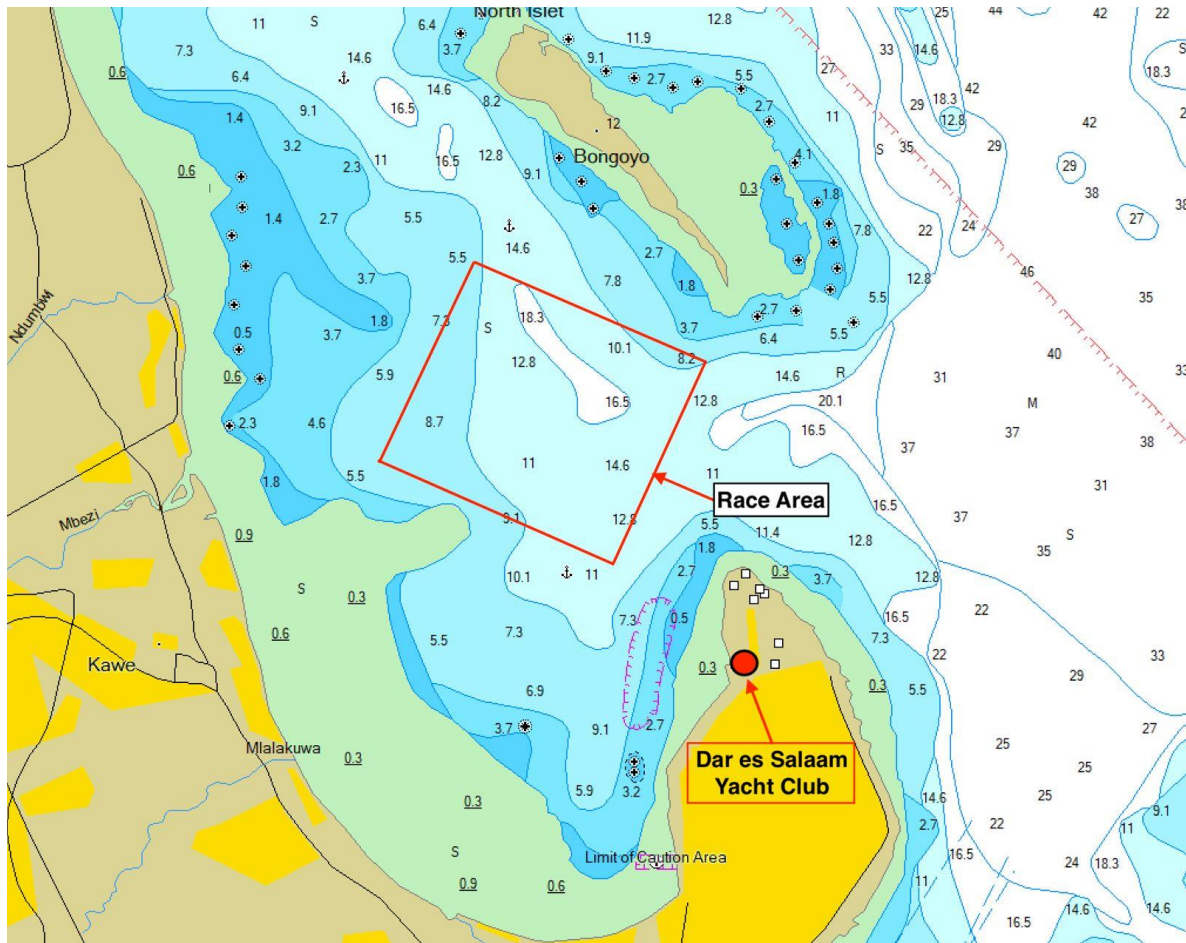
- 21.2 Each participating country shall designate a person to be the official contact with the Organising Committee and provide an email address.



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ATTACHMENT 1: RACING AREA





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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A. BEHAVIOUR

Team members and officials shall observe the regulations of the host club and the house rules of the hotel and shall behave correctly at all times. Bad behaviour at any time, whether on shore or afloat; with or without any damage to the facilities, may be investigated by the Jury who may call a hearing and impose a scoring penalty when appropriate.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE RULES OF THE EVENT

B. ACCOMMODATION, LOCAL, TRANSPORTATION AND MEALS

- B.1 Competitors and team officials will be housed in the **Hotel Golden Tulip Dar es Salaam**
Address: Toure Drive Msasani Peninsula, Dar es Salaam Contact: Nina Karani Phone: +255 658 378_200 Email: info@toda.or.tz Official accommodation is available from **14:00 August 2, 2025, until 10:00 on August 9, 2025.**
- B.2 All three meals will be provided during the championship days. Breakfast and dinner will be served in the hotel. Packed lunches will be distributed at the nautical venue. The first official meal will be dinner on **August 2, 2025**, and the last official meal will be breakfast on **August 9, 2025.**
- B.3 A damage deposit of **USD 150 per room** shall be charged by the hotel and will be refunded if no damage has occurred. The damage deposit is to be paid in cash (USD or TZS only) or credit card.
- B.4 The accommodation is located approximately 3 km from the sailing venue and a shuttle bus transport will be arranged to and from the hotel with scheduled times posted closer to the event.
- B.5 Any extra charges will be paid directly to the hotel and may be paid by cash (USD or TZS only) or credit card.
- B.6 Special food to accommodate allergies or dietary restrictions can be provided if requested in advance. Please provide details by filling in the relevant field in the online entry form during registration on the official event microsite <http://2025africans.optiworld.org>
- B.7 Teams are encouraged to bring their own reusable water bottles.

C. EARLY ARRIVALS

- C.1 Teams wishing to arrive before the Official Arrival Day from **July 26, 2025**, should complete the relevant fields of the online entry system and transfer the amount equivalent to the total



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(100%) required by **April 18, 2025**. The daily fee for early arrival will be **USD 125 per person, per day, inclusive of breakfast. All rooms are shared.**

C.3 The regatta facilities will be open from July 26, 2025.

D. EARLY ARRIVAL SUPPORT TEAM VESSEL

- D.1 It is possible to rent a support team vessel to be used before the Official Arrival Day, from **April 18, 2025**, at **USD 120 per vessel per day** excluding fuel. Fuel and other consumables shall be paid by the teams using the vessel. The vessel may be shared between two teams at the discretion of the Organising Committee. Reservation of such support team vessels shall be made by filling in the relevant fields in the Support Boat Reservation Form on the online entry system and **by transferring a sum equivalent to the total amount (100%)** which shall be received on or before **April 18, 2025**, to guarantee availability. Allocation of early arrival support team vessels will be made in order of arrival by the Organising Committee.
- D.2 In addition to the support team vessel charter fee a damage deposit of **USD 300** will be required upon receipt of each vessel, payable **IN USD CASH ONLY**, to be refunded if no damage has occurred.
- D.3 Late reservation and payments of pre-Regatta support team vessels will incur a surcharge of 20%.

E. EARLY ARRIVAL CHARTER BOATS

- E.1 Charter boats will also be available before the Official Arrival Day from **July 26, 2025**, at **USD 60 per boat per day**. Reservations of pre-Championship charter boats shall be made by filling in the relevant fields of the online entry system and **by transferring a sum equivalent to the total amount (100%)** on or before **April 18, 2025**.
- E.2 In addition to the charter boat fee, a damage deposit of **USD 200 per boat** will be required, payable **IN USD CASH ONLY**, upon receipt of each boat. The damage deposit will be refunded if no damage has occurred.
- E.3 Late reservations and payments of pre-Championship charter boats will incur a surcharge of 20%.

F. TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT

- F.1 Transportation to and from the **Julius Nyerere International Airport** in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania will be provided by the Organising Committee for a fee of **USD 50 per person each way**. The distance is 15 km through town and will take 45 – 60 minutes. Teams will be met at the airport by a representative of the event carrying a sign with the event logo. Transportation can be arranged by contacting Nina Karani at info@toda.or.tz and +255 658 378 200.



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Reservations for transportation cannot be guaranteed if made after **April 18,2025**.

G. HEALTH INFORMATION

- G1. It is advisable to check <http://www.healthmap.org/en/>, consult your travel agent, or the Consulate General in your country for the current health advisory regarding travel to Tanzania. A Yellow Fever Vaccine Certificate shall be required for some travellers.
- G.2 Any personal protection, such as face masks or neck 'buffs', may be worn at each person's discretion.

H. SUPPORTERS

Supporters shall make their own reservations.

I. SOCIAL EVENTS

To enhance the friendship between the competitors and to make their stay in Tanzania more enjoyable, appropriate social events will be organised. Casual attire will suffice.

J. MISCELLANEOUS

- J.1 Each team is kindly requested to bring its own National Flag (100cm X 150 cm).
- J.2 The official currency used in Tanzania is the Tanzanian Shilling (TZS). USD cash (only new bills dated 2009 or later) is accepted. Credit cards (Visa and Mastercard) are accepted in the hotel, in local ATMs and well-established restaurants and official shops. The souvenir markets only accept TZS cash. At the nautical venue only prepaid smart cards can be used and arrangements for charging these cards will be provided by the Organiser at the venue.
- J3. Weather is tropical, and although August is one of the cooler months, temperatures range from +30C during the day to +20C at night. Use of mosquito repellent is highly recommended from dusk to dawn. Sailors are encouraged to bring boots, splash top, long sleeve rash guards, neoprene or other type of pants or wetsuit, hat and sailing gloves. Sunscreen is strongly recommended as the UV index is high.

K. SAILING CONDITIONS

Daytime air temperature	25 – 30 Celsius
Water Temperature	25 – 28 Celsius
Prevailing Wind Direction	SE
Wind Speed	10 – 25 knots



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Hours of Good Wind	8 hours
Tide	3 meters
Current	Yes - Tide Movement and Tide Range

L. VISA REQUIREMENTS

To know if you require a VISA to enter Tanzania, please check your travel agency or the Consulate in your country. Go to <https://visa.immigration.go.tz/guidelines>. Some countries will require a letter of invitation from the Organising Committee. To obtain a letter of invitation, please contact the Nina Karani at info@toda.or.tz before May 19, 2025, and allow three weeks for processing.

M. SPECTATOR VESSEL

A spectator vessel will be arranged for parents and guests throughout the event at a cost to be determined, per person per day. More information will be posted to the homepage of the official event microsite closer to the event.

N. CHANDLERY AND REPAIRS

Chandlery and repairs will be available at the venue.



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0. SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

ITEM	COST USD		
REQUIRED PAYMENTS			NOR
Entry Fee - Competitors	USD 650	1 st Entry: April 18, 2025 - 50% 2 nd Entry: May 19, 2025 - 50%	5 & 6
Entry Fee - Adults	USD 750	1 st Entry: April 18, 2025 - 50% 2 nd Entry: May 19, 2025 - 50%	5 & 6
Support Vessel Fee	USD 1600 per vessel/USD 800 per coach	1 st Entry: April 18, 2025 - 50% 2 nd Entry: May 19, 2025 - 50% Fuel not included.	15.5, 15.6
Damage Deposit - Support Vessel	USD 300 / CASH ONLY	To be paid upon receipt of boat. Refundable. USD CASH ONLY	15.7, D.2
Charter Boat Fee	USD 650 per boat	1 st Entry: April 18, 2025 - 50% 2 nd Entry: May 19, 2025 - 50%	16.7, 16.8
Damage Deposit - Charter Boat	USD 200 / CASH ONLY	To be paid upon receipt of boat. Refundable. USD CASH ONLY	16.12, E.2
Sail Measurement	USD 50 / CASH ONLY	Sails without certificate, payable to IODA. USD Cash Only.	9.10
Insurance	USD 12 CASH ONLY	Competitors and coaches only.	19
Surcharge	20%	Late payments. Depends on item.	Various: see NOTE in 5.3
OPTIONAL PAYMENTS			Extra info sheet
Accommodation Early Arrivals	USD 125 per person per night	100% due April 18, 2025. Breakfast included.	C
Damage Deposit Hotel	USD 150 per room	To be paid to the hotel upon arrival. Refundable.	B.3
Support Vessel Early Arrivals	USD 120 per vessel per day	Fuel not included. 100% due April 18, 2025.	D.1
Charter Boat Early Arrivals	USD 60 per boat per day	100% due April 18, 2025.	E.1
Surcharge	20%	Late payment	Various but see 5.3