

IODAI Fleet Format and Scoring 2008

This document summarises the new fleet format and scoring arrangements to be implemented in 2008 in response to the changing circumstances in the class.

Trials 2008

The procedure for selecting teams is outlined fully elsewhere but is broadly the same as in previous years in relation to qualifying for IODAI teams (World and European). The fleet the sailor will sail in after the trials, as further outlined below, is based on age, i.e. under and over 12, to decide Junior or Senior and then the sailor's finishing position to determine a Gold or Silver ranking.

Fleet Divisions for the 2008 Season (Regional Events)

- **Senior Fleet**

The Senior Fleet shall be based on the sailor's age at 1st January (the sailor's Oppy Age) – 13 or older in the year of competition. Based on results from the 2008 Trials, the first 30 Senior Fleet eligible sailors will become Gold ranked. Promotion from Silver to Gold within the Senior Fleet will occur with a top 5 result from any 2 IODAI Open events (Regionals and Nationals) in 2008. New entrants start as Silver.

- **Junior Fleet**

The Junior, or U12 Fleet, shall be based on the sailor's age at 1st January (the sailor's Oppy Age) – 12 or under in the year of competition. Based on results from the 2008 Trials, the first 20 Junior Fleet sailors will be Gold ranked for the season. The remainder of the sailors eligible for the Junior Fleet will be ranked Silver. Promotion from Silver to Gold will occur with a top 5 result from any 2 IODAI Open events (Regionals and Nationals) in 2008. New entrants start as Silver.

There shall be no provision for promotion to the Senior Fleet from the Junior Fleet except by age. Separate starts will be provided for Senior and Junior Fleets. See course details below.

Nationals

The Senior and Junior Fleets will race separately as per the Regional events and will not be flighted. Separate starts shall be used for the Senior and Junior Fleets. International entries shall be allocated to relevant fleet by age and ranked as Gold.

Prizes

Former Gold and Silver perpetual trophies shall continue to be used for the Gold and Silver winners in the Senior Fleet. The former Bronze perpetual trophies shall be presented to winner of the Gold section in the Junior Fleet. Additional Junior Fleet Silver prizes will be required. A total of 20 prizes shall be awarded (5 Gold, 5 Silver in Senior and Junior respectively). Discretionary age or gender prizes may also be added by event organisers.

Rankings for 2008 into 2009

The 35 top ranked sailors from the Senior Fleet shall qualify for trials in 2009.

Top 35 top ranked Junior Fleet sailors in 2008 shall also qualify for trials in 2009.

A positive statement of intention to sail in 2009 shall be required from sailors by a date to be published in advance for eligibility to be invited to the 2009 Trials (i.e. before the invitations go out to the 35 top sailors from each fleet).

To qualify for a ranking, a sailor may use their 2 best Regional events plus the Nationals (which is non discardable). Sailors that do not sail in at least 2 Regional events and the Nationals shall not qualify for a ranking . A nominal penalty figure of 3000 points shall be applied to a sailor's rankings for not attending an event (this can be discardable subject to sailing 3 or more Regional events i.e. the best 2 Regional events count).

The ranking points awarded shall consist of the sailor's event placing multiplied by the number of races completed in the event. The sailor with the lowest score shall be ranked 1st and so on. Sailors shall remain Gold once they have achieved that ranking within their fleet from 2008 onward.

ISA Youth (Helmsman) Championship – Optimist Rep

1st and 2nd Boy and 1st and 2nd Girl in the 2008 Nationals based on the number of ISA allowed invitations.

Crosbie Cup 2008

The International Optimist course shall be used.

All Senior and Junior Fleet Gold ranked sailors shall be excluded from entering.

End of Seasons 2008

The International Optimist course shall be used.

This shall be open to all Senior and Junior sailors.

Courses to be used for Events in 2008

See course details outlined overleaf.

Course to be used for the Regional Events and the Nationals in 2008

The Inner and Outer Loop course shall be used.

The Junior Fleet shall use the outer loop and start 1st

Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – Finish. See diagram 1a below.

The Senior Fleet shall use inner loop and start 2nd

Start – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish. See diagram 1b below

Diagram 1a

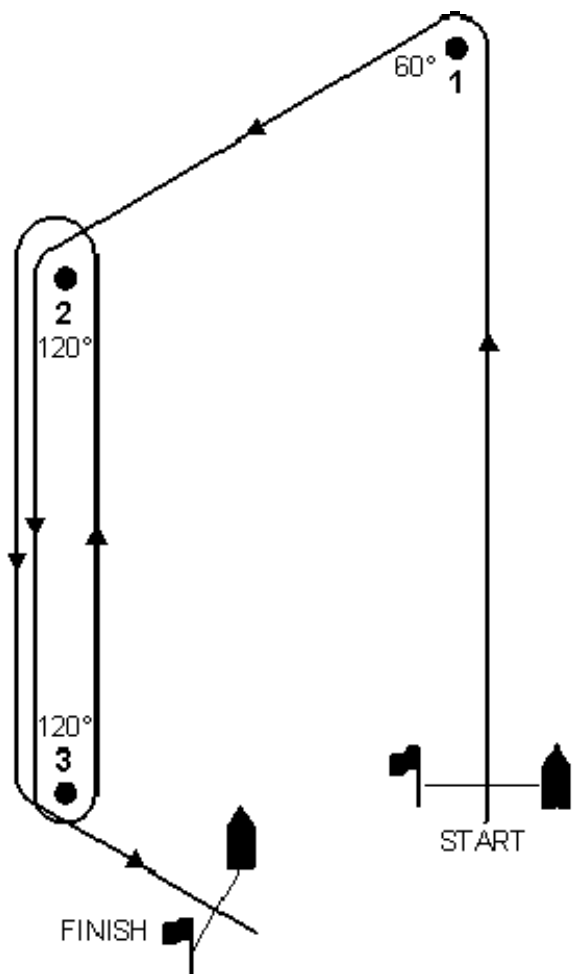


Diagram 1b

