



INTERNATIONAL OPTIRACE

Optimist Class
Cerro di Laveno 18th-20th September 2009
Lake Verbano



VOLVO CUP 5th Leg

FIV- Federazione Italiana Vela XV Zona
Associazione Italiana Classe Optimist (AICO)

Preliminary Notice of Race

"This is a preliminary document for informations only. Any information may change before the final draft of the document. The final "Notice of Race" will be published on the web site www.optirace-regata.it starting from April 24th, 2009"

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Racing rule 61.1(2) will be changed to require boats to display a red flag if they intend to protest a boat concerning an incident in the racing area.
- 1.3 Racing rule 61 will be changed to require a competitor to inform the race committee finish boat of the intention to protest, including the sail number of the protested boat, immediately after finishing.
- 1.4 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 1.5 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will be apply.

2 ADVERTISING

Advertising is not permitted except as provided in Isaf Regulation 20 and Class Rules. Competitor may be required to display advertising stickers on both sides of the hull.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The regatta will be open to all competitors who have been born from 1994 to 2000. According to Italian law and FIV Regulations, competitors will be classified as follow:

- "Cadet" born in years 1998, 1999 and 2000
- "Junior" born from 1994 to 1997;
- Italian sailors shall carry to the organising Authority a current and valid 2009 F.I.V. membership card;
- each sailor shall be current members of their National Class Association (A.I.C.O. for Italian sailors);

Eligible boats shall be registered trough the on-line form that will be available on event web-site www.optirace-regata.it

4 FEES

Required fee is 40,00 €.

5 RACES SERIES

Cadet and Junior will race on same course.

Cadet:

Fleet may be split dividing the competitors into heats if the competitors number will be more than 80. At registration competitors will be seeded into four groups. The groups will remain the same for all the racing days. A maximum of four (4) races are scheduled.

Junior:

Fleet may be split dividing the competitors into heats if the competitors number will be more than 80. At registration competitors will be seeded into four groups. The groups will remain the same for all the racing days. A maximum of six (6) races are scheduled.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Registration: September 18th from 09:00 am to 07:00 pm completion of registration and fees payment

6.2 Dates of Racing: September 19th and September 20th

6.3 The time of the first warning signal on September 19th is 09:00 am.

6.4 On the last day no warning signal will be give after 04:00 pm.

6.5 Prize giving, gifts drawing and Closing Ceremony will be held on last day two hours after the end of the last race.

7 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate. Measurement checks may be carried out before or after racing. All the equipment may be measured.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be made available upon registration.

13 SCORING

13.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

13.2 As partial change of RRS A.2:

(a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14 COACHES BOATS

Team leaders/coaches boats shall register at www.optirace-regata.it and complete on-site registration at the race office.

Team leaders/coaches shall comply with the following:

- to carry a VHF Radio and have this switched on and tuned to VHF Ch. 16;
- to follow all instructions given by the Race Committee and by the Organizing Committee;
- to carry other coaches on board if necessary;

15 PRIZES

Prize will be given as follows:

- cadet – general ranking - from 1st to 10th classified
- cadet - female ranking - from 1st to 3rd classified
- junior - general ranking - from 1st to 10th classified
- junior - female ranking - from 1st to 3rd classified.

Brand-name free gifts by draw will be distributed to participant.

See the web site www.optirace-regata.it for the detailed list of prizes and facilities.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

It is up to parents or Team Leaders to allow competitors to take part in the races and therefore they have to sign the declaration of participation on registration, see RRS rule 4. The Organization Authority, the Race Committee and the Jury decline all responsibility regarding persons or goods, at sea or ashore, in consequence of participation in the competition.

17 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 500.000,00 per event or the equivalent and are required to produce evidence of such insurance during registration.

Italian sailors shall have third party insurance cover of not less than € 1.000.000,00 and are required to produce evidence of such insurance during registration;

18 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In participating in the International Optirace - Optimist Class any competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the International Optirace the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said International Optirace in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said International Optirace without compensation.

19 TRAVEL AND LODGING

For general information about travel and lodging and special arrangement for the regatta please visit the web-site www.optirace-regata.it.