



2017 OK Dinghy World Championships



NOTICE OF RACE

Barbados Yacht Club, Bridgetown, Barbados

25 May – 31 May 2017

Organizing Authority

The OK Dinghy International Association (OKDIA) with the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) of the Barbados Sailing Association (BSA)

Hosted by the

Barbados Yacht Club (BYC) and the Barbados Cruising Club (BCC)

Entries are invited to the 2017 OK Dinghy World Championships to be conducted from the 25th May to 31st May 2017 at Barbados Yacht Club, Bridgetown, Barbados.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by The Rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display sponsor's advertising and bow numbers. If required, the Organising Authority will supply these items and they shall be affixed and/or worn as prescribed in the Sailing Instructions.

3. ELIGIBILITY, PRE-REGISTRATION AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Eligible competitors shall be current members of an OKDIA recognised National OK Dinghy Association. They shall complete on-site registration at the venue prior to close of registration on 26 May 2017, unless the Organising Authority extends this date.
- 3.2 The national quota as described in the OKDIA Constitution will not apply.
- 3.3 All competitors are asked to complete a Pre-Registration Entry form by 15 January 2017 which will be available at <http://www.barbadosworldsailing.com> and <http://www.okworlds.org>
- 3.4 Pre-registration entries should be sent by 15 January 2017 to your National OK

Class Association for verification, payment and forwarding to the Organising authority at:

championship.sailingentries@gmail.com

- 3.5 Payments can only be made through National OK Class Associations that are members of OKDIA, accompanied by the required entry fees and the competitors' Pre-Registration forms.
- 3.6 Entry forms must be received by the Organising Authority from OKDIA member associations by 1 February 2017. For the purpose of Entries and Entry Fees only, dates and times are GMT.
- 3.7 Please consult your National OK Class Associations for details of their processes and timescales to send forms and fees to the Organising Authority.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The Overall Fee (unless reduced by OKDIA) will be £900 (£800 for Youths). This will include the Shipping Fee, OKDIA Levy and the Entry Fee of \$US 250 (US dollars) NET IN BARBADOS, \$US 125 for Youths (competitors under the age of 21 on the date of the first race of the Championships).
- 4.2 OKDIA National Members will be instructed at a later date on the process for disbursement of the Shipping Fee and OKDIA Levy.
- 4.3 OKDIA National Member Associations will be solely responsible for other costs such as Insurance, Carnet, Fumigation and other costs not reported to OKDIA by 1 November 2016.
- 4.4 The Entry Fees shall be paid in full by 1 February 2017 by National OK Class Associations, as detailed in Attachment B

- 4.5 Payments received after 1 February 2017 and before 1 April 2017 may be accepted but the Entry Fee will be \$US 375 (+50%) and \$US 187.50 for Youths.
- 4.6 The Entry Fee also includes an event polo shirt, a single ticket entry to the Opening Ceremony and the Closing Ceremony Presentation Dinner.
- 4.7 Cancellations or failure to attend will not be entitled to any refund unless decided otherwise by the Organising Authority

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The event schedule is shown in Attachment C.
- 5.2 Two races are scheduled for each day of racing.
- 5.3 If the number of entries makes one fleet impractical, the Race Committee in conjunction with OKDIA may decide to divide the fleet into groups. The method of division will ensure groups of approximately equal size, and will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions. The allocation of prizes, as listed in 15.1, will also be modified.
- 5.4 A maximum of two races per day will be sailed, unless extended to three races with the approval of OKDIA, and then only in order to complete a valid championship. Succeeding races will be started as soon as practical after the finish of the previous race.
- 5.5 No race will be started after 15:00 hrs on the final day of the Championships.

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 Each boat shall be presented for measurement in accordance with the measurement schedule.
- 6.2 Each boat shall present a copy of its valid measurement certificate issued by the competitor's National OK Class Association or National Authority.
- 6.3 Additional measurement checks to be made include, but are not limited to, weighing, spars, rudders, centreboards, masts and sails.
- 6.4 Additional checks may be conducted at any time during the Championships at the discretion of the International Measurer, his assistant, a member of the Race Committee or a member of the International Jury.

- 6.5 Following each day's racing one or more boats may be inspected for compliance with Class Rules at the discretion of the International Measurer, his assistant, a member of the Race Committee or a member of the International Jury.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions for the Championships will be provided to all competitors at Registration. A draft may be published online at an earlier date.

8. VENUE (RACING AREA)

The intended race-course area(s) will be offshore in the area of Carlisle Bay, Barbados. See Attachment A.

9. THE COURSE

The course to be sailed will be a triangle and windward-leeward configuration in accordance with the OKDIA Constitution, unless more than one fleet is racing, as described in 5.3.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 RRS Appendix P will apply.
- 10.2 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS Rule 70.5.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 There will be a maximum of ten (10) races.
- 11.2 Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.3 When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. SAFETY

- 12.1 Competitors shall wear an adequate personal flotation device at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 1.2

13. SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1 All support boats shall register with the Organising Authority before the first race of the regatta.
- 13.2 Support boats shall be marked with their

relevant national letters for identification purposes, and must carry a VHF radio capable of monitoring and communicating with the Race Committee. Support boats shall be required to undertake safety duties at the direction of the Race Officer.

- 13.3 After the Warning Signal and during the races, all support boats shall stay at least 200 meters clear from the race course.
- 13.4 Further instructions governing the conduct of support boats may be included in the Sailing Instructions.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 14.2 If specialised tracking devices are determined to be allowed they will be provided to all competitors by the Organising Authority.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded as described in Attachment D.
- 15.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 15.3 The Youth Division is open to any competitor aged 21 or under on 27th May 2017
- 15.4 The Veterans Division is open to any competitor aged 40 and over on 27th May 2017
- 15.5 The Masters Division is open to any competitor aged 55 and over on 27th May 2017

16. RISK STATEMENT

- 16.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the championship, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- i. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the championship;
- ii. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- iii. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- iv. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the championship and they are fit to participate;
- v. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will require each competitor to sign a waiver for loss, damage or injury to persons or properties occurring in conjunction with the regatta or on the Yacht Club premises. The Organising Authority and the IOKDA, and their respective members, employees, officers and/or agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.

18. INSURANCE

- 18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €2,000,000 or the equivalent thereof in any other currency for any one incident. By entering the event each competitor declares that they hold such insurance.
- 18.2 No insurance can be made on site.

19. MEDIA CONSENT: RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

Competitors automatically grant the

Organising Authority, the OKDIA and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television, or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

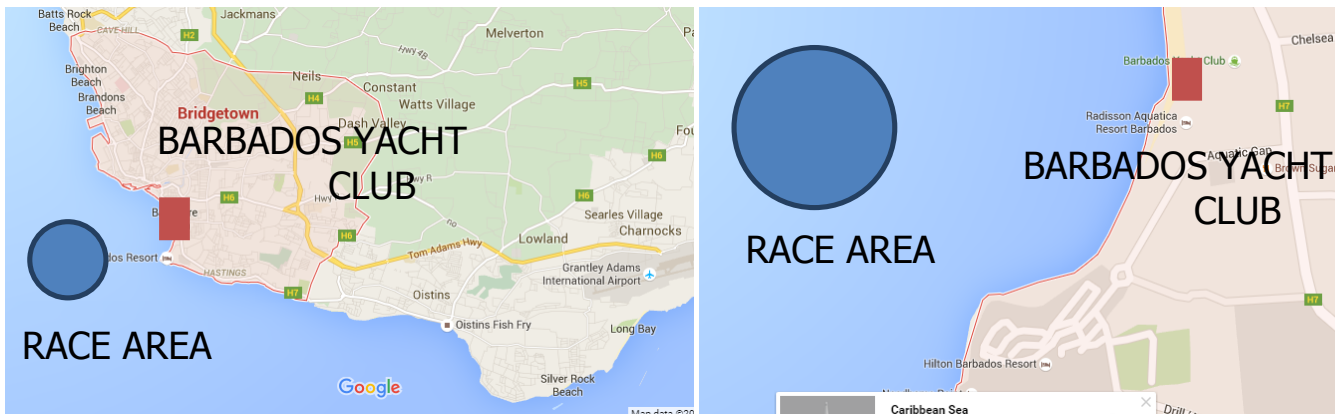
20. AMENDMENTS

Any amendments to this Notice of Race will be posted on the event website at <http://www.barbadosworldsailing.com> and the OK Class website at <http://www.okworlds.org>.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:
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ATTACHMENT A – Location of club and racing area



ATTACHMENT B – Financial Details for Payment of Entry Fees

Fees

- B-1. The required Entry Fees and Social Fees (as detailed below) shall be paid in advance to the championship bank account in United States Dollars (\$US) by each OKDIA Member association. The full Entry Fee is due "NET IN BARBADOS". Any deductions made by third parties shall be paid by OKDIA National Member Associations to provide the full fee "NET in Barbados". This can be done at Registration with payment in \$US or \$Barbados (1\$US = 2\$Barbados).
- B-2. A fee will be charged for non-sailors attending the event to assist with planning. This will ensure entry to the opening ceremony, the prize giving dinner and include an event souvenir.
- B-3. The fees will be as follows:

	Fee before 1 February 2017	Fee After 1 February 2017 and before 1 April 2017
Championships (per boat)	\$US 250 NET	\$US 375 NET
Youth (per boat)	\$US 125 NET	\$US 187.50 NET
Social Adult	\$US 150 NET	\$US 150 NET
Social Junior (under 18)	\$US 75 NET	\$US 75 NET
Children (under 8)	Free	Free

- B-4. All fees shall be paid by electronic bank transfer.
- B-5. All **boat numbers and sailor's family name** shall be clearly referenced and sent by the OKDIA Member National Association with the payment for all sailors. Please email details of payment and entries to:- Okbar2017@gmail.com and championship.sailingentries@gmail.com.
- B-6. Payments from individual sailors will not be accepted.

Electronic Bank Transfers:

- B-7. Any and all bank charges are the entrant's responsibility. Be aware of how your bank dispatches funds, especially regarding the use of "intermediary" banks and their fees. Entrants should note there are alternatives in the money transfer industry.
- B-8. If there are issues with banking procedures and banking expenses please contact okbar2017@gmail.com to discuss the situation.
- B-9. Entry and Social Fees shall be paid by electronic funds transfer to the following Championship bank account:

Bank Name:	Wells Fargo Bank NA
Bank Sort Code:	121 000 248
Bank Account Number:	14 88 42 46 88
Bank BIC:	WFBI US6S (letters WFBI US, number 6, letter S)
Bank Address:	501 East Bloomingdale Avenue BRANDON Florida 33511 USA
Account Name:	OKBar17

Cancellation Penalties

- B-10. Refunds of Shipping Fees following cancellation of entry is subject to approval of OKDIA and the relevant OKDIA National Member Association. The OKDIA Levy shall not be refunded.
- B-11. Notwithstanding B-10, competitors cancelling their entry to the event up to and including 1 February 2017 will be entitled to a full refund of the Entry Fee, less an administration fee of \$US 50.
- B-12. Competitors cancelling after 1 February 2017 and before the closing date of midnight on 1 April 2017 (GMT) will be entitled to a refund of all amounts paid less \$US 100 to cover committed costs and an administration fee. No refunds will be made after the closing date.
- B-13. All notifications of change or cancellation shall be made to, okbar2017@gmail.com, championship.sailingentries@gmail.com and the relevant OKDIA Member association before the date and time specified.

Transfer of Entry to another Competitor

- B-14. It is allowed to transfer an entry from one helm to another until 1 April 2017, provided this notification is received by championship.sailingentries@gmail.com and okbar2017@gmail.com. After this date transfers are not permitted, and the Cancellation Penalties above apply.

ATTACHMENT C –Event Schedule

Date	Event	Time	Location
Thursday 25 May	Measurement/Registration	09:30-13:00 14:00-17:00	Barbados Yacht Club
Friday 26 May	Measurement/Registration Competitor's Briefing Practice Race Opening Ceremony	09:30-12:00 12:00 14:00 19:30	Barbados Yacht Club Barbados Yacht Club Carlisle Bay Barbados Yacht Club
Saturday 27 May	Racing	12:30	Carlisle Bay
Sunday 28 May	Racing	12:30	Carlisle Bay
Monday 29 May	Racing	12:30	Carlisle Bay
	OKDIA AGM (tbc)	18.00	Barbados Yacht Club
Tuesday 30 May	Racing	12:30	Carlisle Bay
Wednesday 31 May	Racing Closing Ceremony & Prize Giving Dinner	12:30 19:30	Carlisle Bay Barbados Yacht Club

ATTACHMENT D-PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows:-

- OKDIA World Champion Trophy Canada Centennial Cup metal sculpture
- Winner Race 1 Falmouth Trophy
- Winner Race 2 Örnsviköldsvik Trophy
- Winner Race 3 Mark & Jenny Fisher Cup
- Winner Race 4 Deptford Cup
- Winner Race 5 Sønderborg Cup
- Winner Race 6 Kiel Yacht Club Clock
- Winner Race 7 New Zealand OK Class Clock
- Winner Race 8 Don & Brenda Andrews Trophy
- Winner Race 9 Heinrich Liedtke Memorial Trophy
- Winner Race 10 Kjell Nystrom Memorial Cup
- Best helmsman from host country Clive Roberts Memorial Salver
- First Youth Raymond Dodard Trophy
- First Veteran Knud Olsen Trophy
- First Master The Blasse Trophy
- First Female Woman's Trophy
- Paul Elvstrøm Trophy lowest score when all race scores are counted