



Canadian Optimist Dinghy Association L'Association canadienne de voile en Optimist

INTERNATIONAL TEAM COMMITTEE

RE: IODA INTERNATIONAL EVENTS TEAMS SELECTION PROCESS (amended November 21st 2011)

The following process has been designed by the International Teams Committee of CODA ("CODA ITC") to administer the selection of the International Teams attending International Events in accordance with the Selection Rule set in Bylaw 20 of the Bylaws of the Association

1) Selection Rule

See CODA Bylaw 20

2) Establishment of the list and ranking of eligible sailors:

After the CODC, the CODA ITC shall as soon as possible establish the list of eligible sailors using the Official Results of the CODC, removing non-eligible sailors (participants from foreign countries or not satisfying IODA eligibility criteria for World and Continental Championships <http://www.optiworld.org/documents/HANDBOOK-2011.pdf>)

3) Preparation of documentation for communicating with the eligible sailors.

After the CODC the CODA ITC, using available IODA information on venues, calendar, notices of races, establish draft budgets and draft letters to communicate with sailors that are either a) eligible and qualified for events or b) eligible on the wait list.

For 2012:

The top 5 sailors are qualified for IODA Worlds

The top 3 males and top female are qualified for IODA Euros

The top 8 males and top 2 females are qualified for the IODA Sudopti

The top 8 males and top 2 females are qualified for IODA Optimam

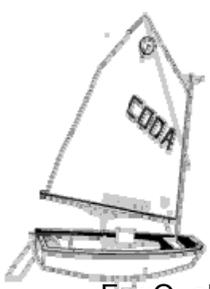
4) Sending of the letters to the sailors.

The Top 40 eligible sailors will receive letters. All sailors qualified as per the above will receive the "Qualified" letter in the first round. The other sailors not initially qualified but eligible will receive "Wait List" letters. The letters will be sent using a dedicated email account accessible to all members of the CODA ITC for proper monitoring of the issuance of the letters and replies from sailors. The email account directory will be populated using the parents (father by default) most current email address supplied by the member to the CODA Registrar.

All Qualified sailors will be requested to confirm their interest to attend one or more events that they qualify for subject to IODA rules (Can't combine WORLDS and EUROS) or schedule conflicts (none for 2012). For 2012 no sailor can participate to more than 3 event as per the above.

All Wait List sailors will be requested to express their interest to participate in one or more events subject to availability of spots from previously qualified sailors opting out of the process

5) Deadlines and deposits.



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For Qualified sailors: **Answers due by November 15th** . Non-refundable deposit of 400\$ per event qualified and confirmed, refundable deposits of 400\$ per event wait listed and interested.
For Wait List sailors: **Answers due by November 15th** . Refundable deposit of 400\$ per event wait listed and interested.

Refundable means if the sailor does not get a spot on any team, his deposits are returned. Non-Refundable means if the sailor is qualified and confirmed and later on changes his mind, the deposit may be retained. CODA ITC will do a reasonable effort, if timing permit, to replace a forfeiting sailor by another one on the wait list. If no financial cost is incurred by the team as a result of the forfeiture and replacement, 50% of the deposit will be returned. If there are costs associated they will be deducted from the deposit.

For any event requiring Team registration less than a month before the above deadline, a higher non-refundable deposit may be required corresponding to the approximate amount payable by each sailor of the team to the event organizers (registration, accommodation, charters, etc).

At the expiry of the above deadline, all sailors not responding or not posting required deposits will be considered to be off the list of eligible sailors.

6) Second round of letters

As soon as possible after the expiry of the above deadline, the CODA ITC will issue additional letters of confirmation to sailors remaining on the wait list with cashed deposits based on spots newly made available. Upon a delay at the discretion of the ITC (no less than 48 hours), if the sailor has not officially withdrawn from the process in writing their previously refundable deposit will become non-refundable. It is expected that after this round the teams should be completed. More letters of confirmation to sailors on the list may be issued in the second round after a some delay if people opt out of the process.

7) Subsequent letters

As soon as the teams are confirmed, there will be a waiting period for the NOR to be issued (typically 6 months in advance of the event), allowing an update of the draft budgets by the CODA ITC and a request for an additional non-refundable deposit corresponding to the approximate amount payable by each sailor of the team to the event organizers (registration, accommodation, charters, etc) with a deadline aligned with the NOR deadlines. Failure to make that additional deposit in time will result in exclusion from the team and immediate replacement from the wait list. The CODA ITC will set short but reasonable deadline for such replacement.

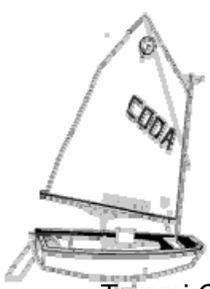
8) Subsequent steps

When all sailors are confirmed, paid and registered, a first meeting of the parents can be held to elect a Team Leader, Country Rep if necessary, choose a coach, plan logistics (plane tickets, team uniforms) and take over the budget in coordination with the CODA treasurer.

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Annex A CODA By-law 20

“20. CODA Selection Rule for the ranking and selection of the World and Continental Championships (European, South American and North American) Teams is as follows:

- a.** Team members to represent Canada at the IODA World and Continental Optimist Championship will be selected on the results of one annual regatta, namely the Canadian Optimist Dinghy Championship in the previous season of these International events. The selection will be based on the number of spots allocated annually by IODA to Canada to each of these Championships, subject to gender rules when applicable. Allocation of spots will be made in order of finishing at the CODC subject to IODA rules and Schedules.
- b.** Exceptionally, the Executive Committee, directly or via the International Teams Committee may exercise its discretion to fulfill any International Team composition under the following conditions:
 - i.** When the International Teams have not been filled based on 20(a);
 - ii.** For exceptional reasons such as an injury preventing an eligible Canadian sailor to attend the CODC after being registered and paid.
- c.** Any sailor selected to fill a spot under 20(b) has to demonstrate that he has qualified and ranked in the top of half of other international events (including CORK or US qualifiers) in the year of the CODC.
- d.** For each International event, the Executive Committee or the International Teams Committee will set commitment conditions to be met by the selected sailors which may include but not be limited to commitment deadlines and the amount of deposits.”