

IODASA Ranking System 2015-16 Season

1 INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the IODASA ranking is to:

- give sailors personal goals for which they can strive
- monitor each sailor's individual improvement both during and between seasons
- give sailors a means by which they can judge their performance against their peers
- encourage sailors to participate in multiple events throughout the sailing season in order to take them towards their personal goals
- assist the IODASA Committee to group sailors and develop and implement training/coaching programs that meet the needs of the identified groups

Rankings are also used to seed top sailors in the nationals each year and to help inform selection of the State Team, State Squad and Development Squad

2 2015-16 ELIGIBLE REGATTAS

Regattas to be used by IODASA and YSA during the 2015-16 for the determination of rankings are as follows:

- Optimist National Championships (2-9 January 2016, Georges River Sailing Club, NSW)
- Optimist South Australian State Championships (Largs Bay 6-7 Feb, 2016)
- Yachting South Australia Tri-Series (Tri-Series Round 1 - Port Lincoln, 3-4 Oct, Round 2 - Largs Bay 7-8 Nov and Round 3 Brighton-Seacliff, 5-6 Dec, 2015)
- South Australian Youth Championships (part of the Adelaide Premier Regatta, Largs Bay 2-3 April 2016)

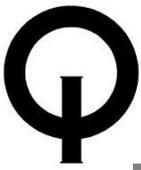
The above suite of regattas are reviewed each year by the IODASA Committee with a formal list made available by September to enable sailor's opportunity to plan their seasons.

3 HOW ARE RANKINGS CALCULATED?

The IODASA Ranking System utilizes a 'high points' ranking system as used by the ISAF. This works as follows:

At the conclusion of a ranking regatta points are awarded in the following manner:

- the first placed Optimist South Australian Open Fleet sailor shall receive points equal to the number of Optimist South Australian Fleet competitors in that regatta
- the second place Optimist South Australian Open Fleet sailor receives points



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- equal to the number of Optimist South Australian Fleet competitors minus 1(n-1)
- the third place South Australian Open Fleet sailor receives points equal to the number of Optimist South Australian Fleet competitors minus 2 (n-2)
- down to the South Australian Open Fleet sailor in last place who receives 1 point.

In any regatta a sailor who starts at least one race gets points.

A sailor who registers for a regatta but does not start a single race does not get any points.

In the event of a tie in the rankings, the sailor that achieved a higher finish at the conclusion of the South Australian Optimist State Championships shall be awarded the higher ranking.

In the event a sailor misses an IODASA ranking regatta because he/she is competing at a more senior Optimist event such as an international regatta or other significant interstate event such as an Interstate State Titles, he/she will not be unduly penalised and will receive points calculated as an average of their previous three ranking regatta's. In such situations permission must be requested in writing to the IODASA Committee prior to the event. Note - attendance of a competing sporting event (i.e. other sport the sailor may be involved in), or overseas trip etc is not considered an acceptable excuse to be awarded averaged points for a missed regatta. The final decision of averaging will be at the discretion of the IODASA Committee.

4 ELIGIBILITY FOR INCLUSION IN RANKINGS

Any SA Optimist sailor who is a member of IODASA shall be included in the rankings until such time as:

- the sailor 'ages out' (a sailor may compete in an Optimist until December 31st of the year in which the sailor turns 15, as per class rules), or
- the sailor has not started a race in any of the last four ranking regattas

It is both an IODASA and YSA policy that un-financial members are not allowed to compete in ranking regattas.

Approved

IODASA Committee Meeting 21 Aug 2015