

2024 IOCA (UK) Spring Championships
Main Fleet, Racing Regatta & Coached Regatta Fleets
Supplementary Sailing Instructions

Dates **16-17 March 2024**
 Venue **Draycote Sailing Club**
 The Organising Authority is the **International Optimist Class Association (UK)**
 in conjunction with **Draycote Sailing Club**

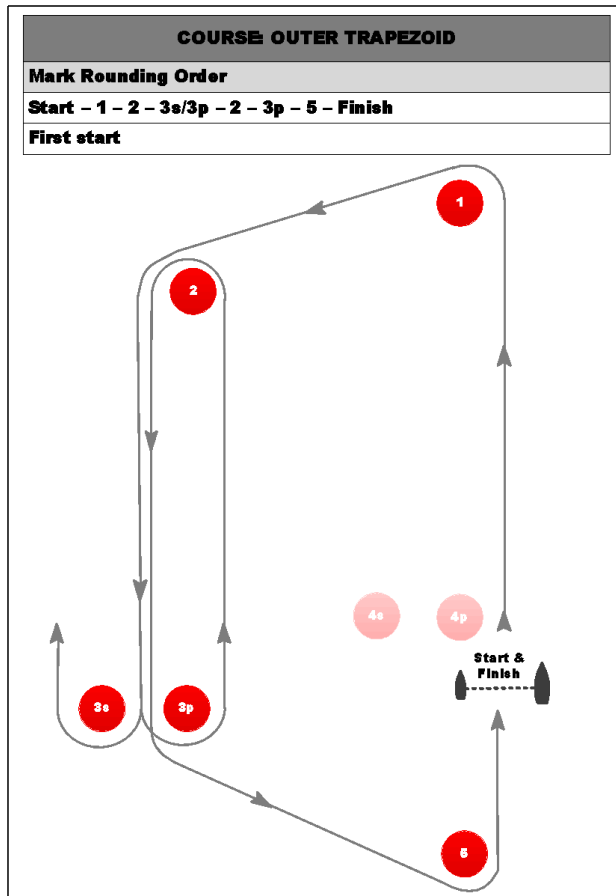
For everything not explicitly listed below, the MEIs (<https://ioca.uk/meis>) apply.

MEI	Description	Details
1.4	Arbitration	RRS Appendix T will apply
3.1	Location of Official Notice Board	https://ioca.uk/onb - online only
	Location of the Race Office	Downstairs in the clubhouse
5.2	Competitors' Briefing	There is an additional Racing Regatta Fleet briefing immediately following the main competitor briefing. See Event Schedule
5.2	First Warning Signals	Saturday: First Warning Signal, not before 10:25 Sunday: First Warning Signal, not before 09:55
6.1.2	Racing in groups	In Main Fleet, flights will be used as per the MEI 6.1
7.1	Sailing area	Draycote Water. There is a small Exclusion Zone marked with small orange buoys. This will not be entered by sailors.
8.1 + Att B	Course Configuration	Trapezoid course with windward finish. For Main Fleet, first flight will sail on the outer loop and the second flight will sail on the inner loop. As per Attachment B in the MEIs
9.1	Description of Marks	Main Fleet Course Marks: Orange inflatable dumpy buoys Racing Regatta & Coached Regatta Fleet Course Marks: Orange pin marks
10.5	Holding area	The holding area for Main Fleet will be downwind of the start area, marked by yellow pin buoys
15.1	Protest Forms	Available from the Race Office. The Protest schedule will be posted on the Official Notice Board)
17.5	Tally	No
22	Support vessels & support persons	A coach will be provided by the Class to support competitors in Main Fleet. This will be separate to the coach(es) leading

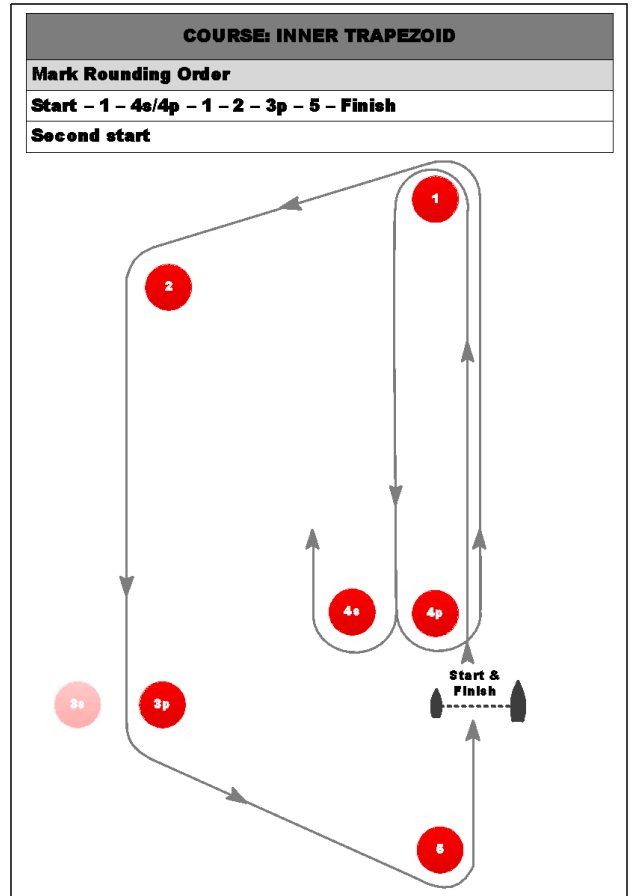
		<p>the Coached Regatta Fleet and from any coaching provided to sailors in the Racing Regatta Fleet covered in MEI 13.4.2.</p> <p>The Main Fleet Class Coach will have the following remit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To be available on the shore, before and after racing, to answer sailors’ individual questions and offer brief advice to sailors. - To give a briefing before racing and a debrief after racing, the timing and venue of which will be communicated on Telegram: event broadcast - To focus their coaching on race strategy and tactics for the fleet in the context of the venue and conditions of weather and tide, rather than providing sailors with individual coaching, for example on boat handling. - To helm a RIB in the Safety Fleet for Main Fleet. They will usually be unaccompanied but if a crew is required, the intention will be to use someone unrelated to any Main Fleet competitor. <p>The RIB used by the Class Coach will be a full member of the Safety Fleet, fly a white flag (MEI 21), and abide by the rules for other official vessels (MEI 22). A further flag to identify them as a Class Coach may also be flown.</p>
Att. F	Zero coaching protocol invoked	No

Trapezoid Courses with Windward Finish

FIRST START



SECOND START



When racing in groups under MEI 6.1 the starts will be as follows:

Race	First Start Groups		Second Start Groups	
1 & 7	Yellow	Blue	Red	White
2 & 8	Yellow	Red	Blue	White
3 & 9	Yellow	White	Blue	Red
4 & 10	Red	White	Yellow	Blue
5 & 11	Blue	White	Yellow	Red
6 & 12	Blue	Red	Yellow	White