



Junior Team 2026 Fact Sheet

The purpose of this fact sheet is to provide details for sailors and parents specifically in relation to costs and travel arrangements etc.

Key Dates:

Event dates: 4th - 10th July 2026
 Training at Venue: 4th July 2026
 Training in UK: 16th - 17th May at HISC Optimist Open

Team Coaches	Jamie Cook & Hatty Morsley
Admin	A parent of one of the team will be required to coordinate paperwork, make arrangements, liaise with coaches etc. for the team. A team WhatsApp group will be set up following Selections and the team being finalised.
Team Members	As selected in line with the 2026 Selection Policy
Event	French National Championships 2026 The coaches will arrive in Quiberon on 3rd July, ready for the training day to start on the morning of 4th July.
Event Venue	ENVSM Quiberon, France
UK Training Venue	Hayling Island SC Optimist Open on 16th-17th May Parents are responsible for sailor entry to the event (and not included in team costs)
Event Travel	Parents are responsible for the travel arrangements of their sailors and boats to ensure they are there to meet the coaches on the first day.
Accommodation	Sailors stay with parents
Entries	Parents to enter (and pay) for their own sailors
Boats/Sails	Sailors own boats and sails
Ribs	Two RIBs will be needed for the event. It is the expectation that 2 parents will be willing to tow 2x IOCA RIBs to the event [for which they will be reimbursed for mileage and additional ferry cost].
Kit	A team buoyancy aid badge will be provided. All other team kit (onshore t-shirts and rashvests) will be purchased directly through our class sponsors, Rooster. A Team Kit link will be shared after Selections so kit can be ordered and paid for. For jackets, for those already with a jacket, event embroidery wording can be added to jackets, but this will need to be arranged yourselves (although



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	<p>we can provide the wording and font and point you in the direction of branding houses).</p> <p>For those in need of a new Rooster red jacket, one can be ordered separately through IOCA, and further information will be shared on this shortly. In the meantime, if you know that you will need a jacket, please email Suzie Holland (teams@optimist.org.uk) the sailor name and required size. (See Junior Size Chart and Adult Size Chart).</p>
Finances	<p>The team has a parental contribution of £700. This includes 7 days sailing in France and 2 days pre-event training in the UK. If the cost of the team, after paying out all the expenses associated with it, comes to £20 less than has been budgeted, a refund will be made to parents.</p>
Other	<p>You will be offered a team place after the Spring Championships, in March 2026.</p> <p>For sailors who are age 12 and have been successful in getting a place at Selections, we will hold the place until the results of Selections. In the event the sailor is offered a place on another Team, we will require a decision and payment within 24 hours.</p> <p>If a sailor does not wish to take up a Teams place in the Junior Team, please let teams@optimist.org.uk know as soon as possible.</p>