

# FISHERS ISLAND IOD FLEET

## RULES

1. The Fleet Captain shall appoint a Chairman of a Sail Purchase Committee which shall select other members of his committee as he shall deem appropriate. The Committee shall recommend a fleet sailmaker to be accepted by a majority vote of a valid meeting of the fleet from time to time as the Committee shall deem it necessary to change sailmakers. The committee Chairman shall arrange for the Fleet purchase of Jibs every three years commencing 1992, Spinnakers every four years commencing 1990, and Mainsails every five years commencing 1988. The Committee may select sailmaker and sail specifications with input from members of the Fleet, as he deems appropriate.
2. All IODs in the Fleet shall sail in Fleet sponsored races or events with the most recently purchased main, jib or spinnaker. Any fleet member who opts out of any Fleet sail purchase must sail with his latest main, jib, or spinnaker as the case may be. Exceptions for new IODs in the Fleet or damaged sails or recutting or major repairs can be agreed by the Chairman of the Sail Purchase Committee.
3. The Fleet Captain shall appoint a Chairman of a Technical Committee who shall liaise with the IOD Class World Association Technical Committee. He shall be responsible for reviewing and maintaining measurement certificates and serving as a technical resource for the Fleet. He shall draft and present for fleet approval any proposed change to the class rules.
4. Championship Events include: World Championship, North American Championship, Bermuda International Race Week Invitational, and Nantucket IOD Invitational. Unless modified prior to a racing season, all qualifications to represent the Fleet in Championship Events shall be held in the year preceding the event.
  - a. The IOD winning the FIYC June series will have the right to represent the Fleet in accepting invitation (if received) to the Nantucket Invitational Regatta. If the designated representative cannot attend the regatta that right shall pass to the next place IOD in that series.
  - b. The IOD winning the FIYC July series will have the right to represent the Fleet at the annual World Championships, and the IOD which is runner-up in the FIYC July series will have the right to represent the Fleet at the annual North American Championships. If a designated representative cannot attend a championship, the next place IOD shall be designated.
  - c. The IOD winning the FIYC August series will have the right to represent the Fleet in accepting invitation (if received) to the Bermuda International Race week. If the designated representative cannot attend the regatta, the next place IOD shall be designated.
  - d. Notwithstanding the above, should a boat qualify for more than one Championship Event (Worlds, North Americans, Bermuda, or Nantucket), eligibility shall be for only one such Championship Event per season. This limitation shall not apply to any boat receiving a special invitation such as to defend a previous win or when no other eligible boat from that qualifier accepts the invitation, which will then be offered to the all boats that sailed in the qualifying series, in finish order, beginning again from first place, and then to the rest of the fleet on a first-come, first-serve basis.
5. Qualifying IODs must commit to a Championship Event by the end of October of the qualifying season.
6. Fleet dues shall be determined on a year-to-year basis to cover Fleet expenses.
7. The Fleet shall hold at least one social event per year.
8. Protests alleging violation of the provisions of the Class or the Fleet Rules shall be heard and decided by an impartial committee of the officers, committee chairs or substitutes appointed by the Fleet Captain. Any Fleet decision may be appealed to the IODWCA.
9. The Fleet will permit one boat to be chartered by the Yacht Club and skippered by a sailing instructor for the purpose of encouraging participation by junior sailors.

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