



World Championships 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:

Travel Days: 11th June & 28th June 2026
 Official Event Days: 18th - 28th June 2026
 Racing Days: 20th - 27th June 2026
 Training: 23rd - 29th May 2026

Team Coach & Team Leader	David Labrouche (Coach) & 1x Team Leader (to be confirmed)
Admin Manager	A parent of one of the team will be required to coordinate paperwork, make arrangements etc for the team.
Team Members	As selected at the GBR Team Selection trials in line with the Team Selection Policy
Event	2026 IODA Optimist World Championships Please note that whilst the Worlds Team are also invited to attend the Venice Team Racing Championship, this event is separate and is costed separately. We can attend Venice with 4 or 5 sailors. Please see the Venice Fact Sheet for further details.
Event Venue	Tangiers, Morocco
Pre-event Training	The team will travel to Tangiers for some pre-event training. Plan for the team to travel on Saturday 23rd May Plan for the team to return on Friday 29th May Flights will be booked asap after Selections, after agreement with the team Apartment accommodation for the team has been booked This training trip is included in the team costs ===== Any other additional training that might be arranged pre-Worlds is not included in the team cost. Some potential further dates have been flagged for training, but these will depend on numbers, team organisation etc. - 25-27 April (2 or 3 days) - 2-4 May
Event Travel	The team will travel to Tangiers for the Worlds on Thursday 11th June The team will return on Sunday 28th June Flights will be booked asap after Selections, after agreement with the team



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Accommodation	From 11th June until 18th June, a team apartment has been booked. From 18th June, the team will be in the official event accommodation as arranged by the Event Organisers
Entries	Entry to the event is organised by IOCA and is included in the team costs
Boats /Sails	Sailors will use their own boats, foils, spars and sails at the Worlds. Boats and kit will be towed out to Tangiers, along with the team RIB How the boats and RIB are taken to Tangiers is to be decided amongst the team. Parent support will be required with this trip down to Tangiers, and the trip home again
Sailing Conditions	Daytime air temperature: 20 to 26 Celsius Water temperature: 15 to 21 Celsius Prevailing wind direction: East or west Wind speed: 8 – 20 knots Hours of good wind: 6– 20 hours per day Tide: Maximum 2 meters Current: Yes
Event website & NOR	Event website Notice of Race
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 so kit can be ordered and paid for. For those sailors with a white team jacket already, event embroidery can be added to jackets, but this will have to be arranged yourselves (although IOCA Teams can provide the wording, font and point you in the direction of branding houses if required). For those in need of a new white jacket, one can be purchased through Rooster, and can be branded by Rooster. Sailors wear their own Navy shorts for the opening ceremony in Tangiers.
Finances	The cost of this event per sailor is £5200 . 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.
Other	A sailor will be offered a team place at the end of the 2026 Selections. Parents will be required to pay the team fee, in full, to accept a Worlds Team place before they leave the Selection Trials.