

2026 MUSTO AUSTRALIAN OPTIMIST CHAMPIONSHIP

GRADED PENALTY SYSTEM

FLEET RACING

Minor technical penalties

Penalty approximately equal to 5% of fleet = 2 points

- Failing to report damage to charter boat (SI 5.1)

Minor class rule penalties

Penalty approximately equal to 10% of fleet = 5 points

- Bailer/paddle/daggerboard/painter not correctly attached to the hull (CR 4.3)
- Painter not attached to mast step (CR 4.3 (b))
- Whistle not attached to personal flotation device (CR 4.2 (a))
- Distance between edge of sail and mast and/or boom at one eyelet 15 mm or more (CR 6.6.3.3 and/or CR 6.6.3.4)
- Distance between edge of sail and mast and/or boom at two eyelets 13 mm or more (CR 6.6.3.3 and/or CR 6.6.3.4)
- Loss of sail tie (CR 6.6.3.3 and/or CR 6.6.3.4)
- Sailing across a race in progress before starting or after finishing (SI 13.3)
- Out of the waiting area (SI 13.2) -Breaches of SI 24 Support Vessels
- Clearance between span and boom between 101mm and 120 mm (CR 3.5.3.8)
- Ring(s) on span of boom slipping (CR 3.5.3.8)

Intermediate class rule penalties

Penalty equivalent to 30% of fleet = 14 points

- No bailer, paddle or painter in boat (CR 4.3)
- No whistle (CR 4.2 (a))
- 1 Buoyancy Bag not correctly attached/inflated properly (CR 3.2.7.1)
- System other than 2 mainsheet blocks used for main sheet system (CR 3.2.6.1 (a)/CR 3.5.3.8)
- Lanyard, locking device or other arrangement used to attach mast to the hull not in position (CR 3.5.2.11)
- Sail outside limits of bands (CR 3.5.2.7 and CR 6.6.3.1)
- Distance between edge of sail and mast and/or boom at two eyelets 15 mm or more (CR 6.6.3.3 and/or CR 6.6.3.4)
- Distance between edge of sail and mast and/or boom at three or more eyelets 13 mm or more (CR 6.6.3.3 and/or CR 6.6.3.4)
- Clearance between span and boom more than 120 mm (CR 3.5.3.8)
- Edge of sail at throat, tack or clew eyelet positioned 13 mm or more from mast and/or boom (CR 6.6.3.3 and/or CR 6.6.3.4)
- Repeat of a minor penalty infringement

Major class rule penalties (as per RRS)

Penalty DSQ

- All RRS except as amended
- All SIs except as amended
- Use of uninspected equipment
- Use of unapproved fittings
- Repeat of an intermediate penalty infringement
- Two or more Buoyancy Bags not correctly attached/not inflated properly (CR 3.2.7.1)