

U.S. LASER MASTER NATIONALS

St. Francis Yacht Club

August 13 – August 16, 2015

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING), the rules of the International Laser Class Association (ILCA) and this notice of race, except as any of these are changed by the sailing instructions or any appendices to the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the St. Francis Yacht Club.
- **1.3** The regatta is designated Category C in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 1.4 All competitors are required to wear a life jacket or other adequate personal floatation device while racing. RRS 40 is changed as follows: The "Y" flag will not be displayed.

2. LANGUAGE

The official language for this regatta will be English.

3. INSPECTION AND MEASUREMENT

Sail measurement will be required at this regatta. Please ensure your sail numbers are applied in accordance with ILCA class rules. Sails may be measured prior to racing, and may also be spot checked at any time during the regatta. Note that numbers and letters drawn on the sail with permanent ink pens are not legal. Refer to http://www.laserinternational.org/info/sailnumbersandletters for detailed instructions.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

Laser and Radial competitors who are members of the ILCA-NA or their national Laser Class Association and who have reached the age of 35 by the regatta start date may enter by completing the online entry form at www.stfyc.com. Providing that a minimum of 15 Radial entries has been received by the pre-registration deadline, the Radial fleet shall be given a separate start and shall be scored separately from the Laser Standard fleet. The Rig Swapping Rule will be turned off for the Laser Standard if more than 15 entries are received in the Laser Radial class.

5. FEES

- **5.1** For all classes, entry fee is \$150 if received by Aug 10, 2015.
- 5.2 A late fee of \$50 will be assessed to all entries received on or after August 10, 2015.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Thursday, August 13 th	1100-1700 hours	Registration & Sail Measurement
Friday, August 14 th	1000 hours	First Scheduled Warning Signal
	After racing	Social at St. Francis Yacht Club
Saturday, August 15 th	1000 hours	First Scheduled Warning Signal
	After racing	Social at St. Francis Yacht Club
Sunday, August 16 th	1000 hours	First Scheduled Warning Signal
	1600 hours	No Warning Signal after this time
	1700 hours	Trophy Ceremony at St. Francis Yacht Club

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on-site and online (www.stfyc.com) on or before Friday, August 14th.

8. COURSES & RACING AREA

- **8.1** Courses will be standard ILCA-NA courses as described in the ILCA-NA Regatta Guidelines.
- **8.2** The intended race area will be set on the City Front utilizing inflatable marks.

9. SCORING

- **9.1** The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A4, will be used except as modified below.
- **9.2** A minimum of 3 races must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- **9.3** When 6 or more races are completed a sailor may discard their worst score.
- 9.4 The ILCA-NA Masters handicap system will be used to determine the overall series winner. For each race counted in the competitor's final score, the following points will be added: Apprentices, 3 points; Masters, 2 points; Grand Masters, 1 point; Great Grand Masters, 0 points. The competitor's overall score will be the sum of his or her included finishes plus his or her total handicap points.

10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors shall participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see Rule 4, DECISION TO RACE). The organizing authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

11. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the StFYC Race Office at 415.655.7756, email racing@stfyc.com or visit www.stfyc.com.

BOAT & TRAILER STORAGE

All yachts competing in the event may be stored free of charge at StFYC from Monday, July 28th to Sunday, August 3rd.