



2019 Laser Masters Pacific Coast Championship

August 3-4, 2019

Columbia Gorge Racing Association

Cascade Locks, Oregon

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation [DP] in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The following [US Sailing prescriptions](#) will not apply: Rule 63.2 and Rule 63.4.
- 1.3. Racing Rule 40 will be changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices (code flag Y need not be displayed).

2. ADVERTISING [DP]

- 2.1. Competitor advertising shall be restricted to World Sailing [Regulation 20](#), Advertising Code.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising and/or bow numbers chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all Laser class members who have reached the age of 35 by the first day of racing. Competitors will be assigned to the following divisions based on age:
 - 3.1.1. Apprentice – 35-44 years of age
 - 3.1.2. Master – 45-54 years of age
 - 3.1.3. Grand Master – 55-64 years of age
 - 3.1.4. Great Grand Master – 65+ years of age
- 3.2. All competitors must be current members of ILCA-NA or their equivalent national Laser Class Association. Non-members can join the class by completing registration online at www.laser.org.
- 3.3. Eligible competitors may enter by completing the online registration form and fee payment found on the Columbia Gorge Racing Association website www.cgra.org.
- 3.4. Competitors will be required to agree to a waiver of liability as a condition of eligibility. This waiver may be completed either during online registration or at the event check-in.
- 3.5. Unless a minimum of 12 Standard and 12 Radial entries has been received by the pre-registration deadline (to be determined by the Organizing Authority), all entrants shall start and finish together and be scored as a single fleet. Competitors may choose Standard or Radial rigs at their discretion, and change rigs throughout the regatta, provided that all rig changes are made on shore and all sails have the same number (Rig-Swapping Rule turned on). If a minimum of 12 Standard and 12 Radial entries is received by the pre-registration deadline, each fleet shall be given a separate start and shall be scored separately (Rig-Swapping Rule turned off). This changes ILCA Class Rule 28(d) by permission of the International Laser Class Association of North America.

4. FEES

- 4.1. The entry fee is \$95.00 for entries completed with payment on or before July 19, 2019.
- 4.2. The entry fee is \$115.00 for entries completed or paid after July 19, 2019.
- 4.3. Entries will not be accepted after 10:00 am on August 3, 2019.

- 4.4. CGRA Intermediate or Pro members are eligible for a discount of \$5.00 (you can join CGRA [here](#)).
- 4.5. Entry fees include complimentary boat storage during the regatta, post-racing refreshments, and admission to the regatta dinner.
- 4.6. The Port of Cascade Locks requires a storage fee of \$5.00/day for trailers over 10 ft. in length. Trailer fees can be paid with online registration or at check-in at the CGRA Race Office.
- 4.7. Non-reserved marina moorage for coach boats is \$10.00/day on a space available basis. Check in at the CGRA Race Office for details.
- 4.8. Additional dinner tickets may be purchased for \$25.00 each.
- 4.9. Entry fee refunds will be processed according to the following policy:
 - 4.9.1. withdrawal prior to the close of early registration: 100% refund
 - 4.9.2. withdrawal after early registration deadline: 50% refund
 - 4.9.3. withdrawal within 7 days of regatta start date: 0% refund

5. SCHEDULE

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| Saturday, August 3 | 8:30-10:30 am | Check-in at CGRA Race Office |
| | 10:30 am | Competitors Meeting |
| | Noon | First Race Warning |
| | 6:00 pm | Regatta Dinner in the Park |
| Sunday, August 4 | 11:00 am | First Race Warning |
| | 3:00 pm | No warning signal will be made after |
| | ASAP after racing | Awards presentation |

5.1. The number of races scheduled is 7.

6. INSPECTION & MEASUREMENT

6.1. All boats and sails shall comply with current [ILCA Class Rules](#). Spot checks by the measurement committee may be performed on any boat at any time during the event.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at event check-in and posted on the event website no later than 8:30 am Saturday, August 3.

8. VENUE

- 8.1. The racing area will be the Columbia River adjacent to the Cascade Locks Marine Park (see [Attachment A](#)).
- 8.2. Shore facilities (CGRA Race Office, boat storage and launching, camping, and meals) are in the Cascade Locks Marine Park (see [Attachment B](#)).

9. COURSES

9.1. The courses will be around buoys set by the race committee as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1. The following US Sailing Prescription will apply: [Appendix V1](#) (two-turn penalty replaced with a one-turn penalty except in the zone around turning marks).

11. SCORING

- 11.1. The Low Point Scoring System (Appendix A) shall be used, modified as follows by the ILCA-NA Masters handicap system:
 - 11.1.1. To calculate overall fleet results, points will be added to each competitor's finish according to his or her age bracket, as follows: Apprentices, 3 points; Masters, 2 points; Grand Masters, 1 point; Great Grand Masters, 0 points.
 - 11.1.2. Competitor's overall scores will be the sum of their included finishes plus handicap points.

11.1.3. Results within each age division will be determined by extraction from the overall results without re-scoring.

11.2. When two or more competitors are tied on points, the tie shall be broken as follows:

11.2.1. Within an age division, ties will be broken as described in Appendix A8.

11.2.2. Across age divisions, ties will be broken in favor of the older division sailor.

11.3. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.4. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

12.1. All support boats must register at the CGRA Race Office during the check-in period to receive identifying flags and berthing assignments (\$20.00/boat refundable deposit required).

12.2. Support boats shall be required to display their identifying flags at all times during the event and comply with any instructions from race officials.

12.3. During racing, support boats shall monitor the race committee VHF channel and remain more than 50 yards from the course area, except when asked to assist by the race committee.

13. BERTHING [DP]

13.1. Lasers shall be kept in the designated areas of the beach and parking lot at the east end of the Cascade Locks Marine Park. Specific berths may be assigned at check-in.

13.2. Support boats shall moor at the Marina transient dock or other location assigned at check-in.

13.3. To arrange boat storage outside of the event period, contact the Race Office at susan@cgra.org.

14. PRIZES

14.1. Prizes will be awarded in each fleet to the overall winner (lowest score after handicap points), first woman overall, and top finishers in each of the four age divisions. The number of prizes will be adjusted to suit the number of competitors pre-registered in each division.

14.2. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

15. SAFETY [DP]

15.1. Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with the [US Inland Navigation Rules Act of 1980](#). Boats that fail to comply promptly with signals from a committee boat to alter course, or that receive a 5-blast warning (5 short sounds) from a commercial vessel, will be subject to protest and possible disqualification.

16. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, & PERSONAL CONDUCT [DP]

16.1. Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See Rule 4 (Decision to Race). The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16.2. Competitors will accept full responsibility for all their actions during any activity related to this event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

16.3. Competitors are expected to abide by the Marine Park Rules as stated in [Attachment B](#).

17. RIGHT TO USE NAME & LIKENESS

17.1. By participating in this event, all competitors grant the organizers and sponsors the right to make, use and show, at any time and at their discretion, any photographs or videos of them produced during the period of the event without compensation.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1. Additional useful information on lodging, travel, and tourism is available online at www.cgra.org.

18.2. For information on boat charters, contact Chris Brown at sales@westcoastsailing.net.

18.3. For more information, please contact Regatta Chairman Bill Symes at bill@cgra.org.