

**2019 Laser Masters North American Championships**  
**Eastern Yacht Club, Marblehead MA**  
**October 4-6, 2019**  
**Notice of Race**

**1. Rules**

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the prescriptions of US Sailing.

1.2 The organizing authority will issue colored bands to identify age groups that must be applied to the mast between the vang tang and the gooseneck.

1.3 All hails will use the last four digits of the sail number. If there is a duplicate, a "simple black line" under one of the sail numbers will be sufficient as directed by the OA.

1.4 Appendix P will apply.

1.5 *Unless a minimum of 15 Standard and 15 Radial entries has been received by the pre-registration deadline of September 15, 2019, all entrants shall start and finish together and be scored as a single fleet.*

*Competitors may choose Standard, Radial or 4.7 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 (RigSwappingRule turned on)*

*Providing that a minimum of 15 Standard and 15 Radial entries has been received by the preregistration deadline, the Radial fleet shall be given a separate start and shall be scored separately from the Standard Rig fleet (Rig-Swapping Rule turned off).*

*Rig-Swapping between Radials and 4.7s shall always be in effect.*

*This changes ILCA Class Rule 28(d) by permission of the International Laser Class Association of NorthAmerica.*

**2. Eligibility and Entry**

2.1 Members of ILCA who have reached the age of 35 by the first day of the regatta may enter.

2.2 Proof of ILCA membership will be required at registration.

2.3 Registration may be made online at Regattanetwork.com or use the link [https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet\\_registration\\_form.php?regatta\\_id=18923](https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=18923)

2.4 Entry deadline is Friday, October 4 at 0930.

**3. Inspection and Measurement**

3.1 Boats, equipment, and sails may be spot checked at any time during the regatta to ensure compliance with the Laser Class Rules.

3.2 Sails that do not comply with the Laser Class Rules are not permitted.

3.3 National Letters or "Red Rhombus" are not required.

**4. Fees**

4.1 Entry fee is \$190

4.2 Entries received after September 15 will be subject to a \$40 late fee.

## **5. Schedule**

Thursday October 3

Free sail

1200-2000 Registration/Check-in

Friday October 4

0800-0930 Late Check-in

0930 Competitor Briefing

1200 First Warning Signal

Saturday October 5

1100 First Warning Signal

Sunday, October 6

1100 First Warning Signal

1500 No Warning Signal after this time

Awards to follow as soon as practical after racing

## **6. Scoring**

6.1 One (1) race will constitute a regatta.

It is the intent of the organizing authority to run 10 races.

6.2 A maximum of four (4) races will be sailed per day.

6.3 When five (5) or more races are sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores minus her worst score.

6.4 The North American Masters Handicap system will be used to score the overall series.

6.4.1 Apprentices add 3 points to each race score, Masters add 2, Grandmasters add 1, and Great Grandmasters add 0.

6.5 When two or more competitors are tied the tie shall be broken as follows:

6.5.1 Within an age division, a tie should be broken as described in RRS Appendix A, Section A8.

6.5.2 Across the age divisions, a tie should be broken in favor of the sailor from the older division.

## **7. Sailing Instructions and Courses**

7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration and [Regattanetwork.com](http://Regattanetwork.com)

7.2 Course descriptions will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

## **8. Racing Area**

The racing area will be in the open waters of Massachusetts Bay. At the discretion of the race committee, racing may be moved to Salem Sound or the mouth of Marblehead Harbor.

## **9. Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in each division, overall winner, and top female. The number of prizes for each division will be based on number of entries and will be at the discretion of the OA.

## **10. Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

## **11. Further Information**

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