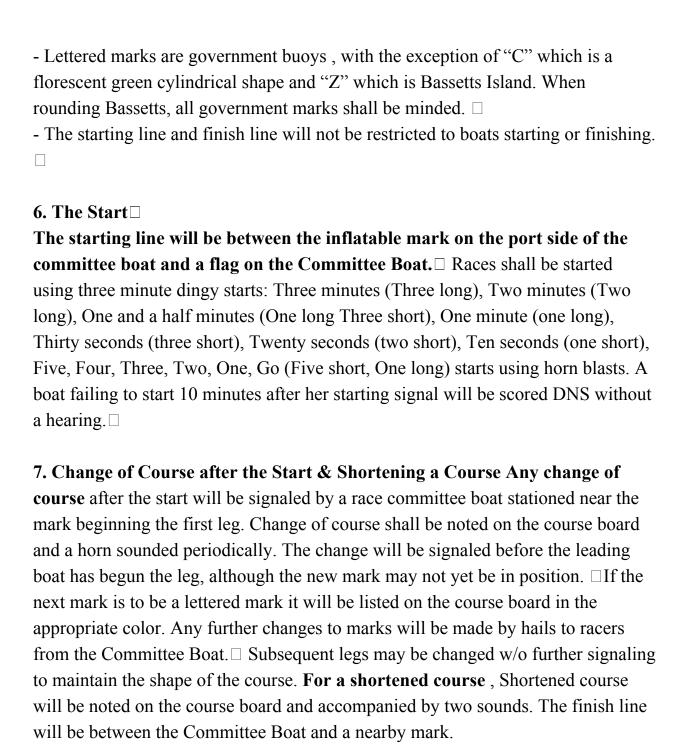
THE BUZZARDS YACHT CLUB LASER SAILING INSTRUCTIONS 2018

1. Rules		

All races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, these sailing instructions, and the class rules of each class racing. \Box
2. Changes in the Sailing Instructions Committee Boat will note any changes to the sailing instructions on the course board or by hailing at least 5 minutes prior to the warning signal for the first race to start. The content of the change will be available from the committee boat by hail.
3. Schedule of Races
The starting time for Laser Class will be $10:00AM$. We will run a many races as the race committee sees fit, but hopefully at least 5 races. A minimum of two boats in a class will be required for a race to be started. \Box
4. Racing Area
The racing area will be in the general vicinity between Wings and Scraggy Necks. See chart on reverse side of page. □
5. Courses & Marks
 Courses will be posted on a course board on the committee boat and will be chosen from the course sheet unless notified otherwise. The numbered course will be shown on the course board followed by the marks to be sailed and the number of times around. Inflatable marks are designated as IM. If all marks are inflatables then IM will be shown once. □
- Red letters are to be left to port and a green letter is to be left to starboard. \Box



8. The Finish

The finish line will be the same as the start line.

9. Time Limit

Will be 60 minutes. If no boat finishes within that time the race will be abandoned. Boats finishing more than 15 minutes after the first yacht finishes will be scored "Did not finish."

10. Retiring □

A boat that starts a race and retires from the race before finishing should make an effort to notify the race committee.

11. Penalty

Rule 44.1 will apply.

12. Protests

All protests must be made in accordance with Part 5, Section A of RRS. Protests will be adjudicated on the water by the Committee Boat as close to the time of the alleged infraction as practicable. Offending racers are encouraged to take penalty turns rather than having protests lodged.

13. Scoring, Series & Re-sails □

A Low-Point Scoring System will be used in scoring all series. DNC will be scored two more points than the number of boats starting that *race*. DNS, OCS, RET, and DSQ will be scored one more point than the number of boats starting that *race*. We will have a throwout race for every five races we do. We will score the sailor by the person. Though we encourage people to lend their boats to others to keep the number of boats on the line high, they will not be scored for the season series and must pay \$10 to race for the day.

14. Cancellations & Delays □

Racing will be canceled or delayed if there are sustained winds over 25 mph and/or any other conditions deemed unsuitable for racing. An automated email, text message or phone call will be sent to registered competitors detailing the cancellation, change or other instructions.

15. Numbers □ Numbers and class legal sails are not required but you will need some way for the race committee to identify your boat. □
16. Life-saving Equipment □ Each racer is required to wear appropriate Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) conforming to government regulations. It is the responsibility of each sailor/racer to be as safe as possible when racing. □
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