CSA Fall Laser Regatta 2014, October 18th and 19th, Carlyle, IL

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Regatta Network Event web site and the Notice Board, (cork board located on the first floor, outside wall of the classroom). Note: this is also where late registration and check-in will take place on Saturday morning.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Race Committee Signal Boat at its dock.
- 4.2 Orange Flag: displayed with one sound means the Race Committee is departing, and a start sequence will begin in approximately 30 minutes. This flag will be lowered with one sound one minute prior to the warning signal.

5. Boats

- 5.1 Must comply to the rules in the ILCA 2014 Handbook, except for statement in 5.2
- 5.2 Non compliant sails may be uses, but subject to disqualification by competitors.

6. Schedule of Races

- 6.1 Saturday; Skippers meeting 1000 hours, First Warning 1115 hours, no race will start after 1600 hours. Sunday; First Warning 0830 hours. Last Race Finish ~1030 hours.
- 6.2 8 races will be attempted with 1 throughout per 6 races.

7. Class Flag

The class flag, with the Laser insignia, will be used for the Lasers. Code flag 1 will be used for the Radials and Code flag 2 for the 4.7s.

8. Racing Area

The racing area will be Carlyle Lake.

9. The Course

- 9.1 The courses shall be Windward Leeward, with the option to set a Triangle course depending on wind conditions, at the Race Committee's discretion.
- 9.2 The race committee may choose to use a windward offset mark and a leeward mark gate.
- 9.3 Finishing the WL either down wind or up wind; the down wind finish course would be designated "WL" the upwind finish course would be "WL+".

10. Marks

- 10.1 The starting/finishing mark is an orange spar buoy.
- 10.2 The windward mark and leeward gate marks are orange cylinders.
- 10.3 The windward offset mark is a sphere.
- 10.4 When a change of course is indicated, the new mark will be a yellow cylinder.

11. The Start

- 11.1 The starting line will be between the mast on the Race Committee Signal Boat at one end and an orange spar buoy at the other end.
- 11.2 Start line is "open" to sail though during a race.
- 11.3 Competitors shall sail by the committee boat on starboard prior to each race to check-in.
- 11.4 Starting syquence will be 3 minutes with a running clock for each fleet. Starting order will be Laser, Radial,
- 4.7. The race committee may choose to start the Radials and 4.7 as one fleet based on the number of entries.
- 11.5 If any fleet in the siquince has a general recall, the one minute rule will be in effect, the same fleet will start, and the clock will continue to run.

12. Recalls

Following an individual recall, the Race Committee will attempt to announce the sail numbers of all boats on the

course side of the starting line at the starting signal. Such announcement is a courtesy and the failure of the Race Committee to make the announcement, the order of the boats in the hail, or failure of a boat to hear or understand the hail shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

13. Change of the Next Leg of the Course

To change the next leg of the course, a mark set boat will display a Code flag "C" with repeated sound signals. A compass heading to the new mark will be displayed.

14. The Finish

The finish line will be between the mast on the Race Committee Signal Boat at one end and an orange spar buoy at the other end.

15. Penalty System

15.1 As set forth in The Racing Rules of Sailing. Note: This event is not a District Championship, or Grand Prix Event and, although you are encouraged to be a ILCA-NA member, it is not required. Please solve disputes on the water to respect the Race Committee's time. If you have a questions about rules after racing, we encourage you to ask so you can learn the rules.

16. Time Limit

16.1 The time limit for each race will be 30 minutes for the first boat to finish.

17 Protests and Requests for Redress

- 17.1 A boat intending to protest must as soon as possible, fly a protest flag, and shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention, including the boat's sail number of the boat(s) being protested.
- 17.2 Protests shall be in writing, forms available at the regatta desk (located in the class room on the first floor), and delivered to the regatta desk within 30 minutes after the Race Committee Signal Boat docks.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted on the Notice Board to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. This will constitute notice to all parties under RRS 63.2. Hearings will be heard in approximately the order in which they are received.
- 17.4 A boat is not permitted to protest another boat for breaking sailing instruction 20 or 21. This changes RRS 60.1(a). The penalty for breaking these instructions may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee.

18. Scoring

- 18.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply, as changed by SI 18.2.
- 18.2 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta. Ref. SI 6.2 8 races will be attempted with 1 throughout per 6 races.

19. Breakdowns

A competitor whose finishing place, through no fault of his/her own, is made significantly worse because of a breakdown may not seek redress.

20. Disposal of Trash

20.1 Competitors shall not discharge trash into the water from their boat at any time. Trash may be given to one of the support boats for disposal. Boats observed purposefully discharging trash into the water will either be disqualified from all races sailed on the day the infraction is observed, or be subject to other suitable disciplinary action or both.

20.2 Detergents are of any kind are not to be used either in the harbor, at the docks or in the water.

21. Safety Regulations

- 21.1 All competitors shall wear, while on the water, other than during brief periods while adding or removing clothing, a U.S. Coast Guard approved PFD.
- 21.2 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or, when that is impossible, the Regatta Office immediately after arrival ashore.

22. Prizes

Prizes will be given immediately after scoring is completed.

P.S. Be safe, ask for help, have fun, because we want you to return and sail with us again! Thanks, Troy, and all of us at Carlyle Sailing Association.