



D12 CENTRAL LASER CHAMPIONSHIP
OCTOBER 4, 5, 2014
COLUMBIA SAILING CLUB



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

2014 Laser SI Rev 12 Sep 2014

- 1) **Organizing Authority** - This regatta is organized by the Columbia Sailing Club (CSC).
- 2) **Rules**
 - a) The regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS), ILCA Class Rules, Notice of Race (NOR) and these SI's.
 - b) Appendix P **Immediate Penalties for Breaking RRS 42** may be applied. If so, it will be applied as changed by SI 18 (b).
- 3) **Entries** - Eligible boats may enter by registering with the CSC as stipulated in the NOR.
- 4) **Notice to Competitors** - Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located in the West end of the CSC Clubhouse.
- 5) **Changes in SI**
 - a) Any change will be posted either within 20 minutes after the Competitor's Meeting or before 1900 on the day before it will take effect.
 - b) Oral changes to the SI may be given on the water in accordance with RRS 90.2 (c).
- 6) **Signals made ashore**
 - a) Signals made ashore will be displayed on the yardarm in front of the CSC.
 - b) Flag AP means "The race is postponed". The warning signal will not be made less than 60 minutes after AP is lowered. This changes RRS "Race Signals."
- 7) **Schedule**

Saturday, October 4, 2014

0830-1000 Registration

1000 Competitor's Meeting

1100 Warning signal for the first race; other races to follow.

"Attitude Adjustment" after racing. Dinner approx. 1 hour after "Attitude Adjustment"

Sunday October 5, 2014

1000 Warning signal, racing continues.

No starting sequence will begin after 1300 on Sunday.

Awards ceremony will follow ASAP

- 8) **Class Flag** - Class flags will be announced at the Skipper's meeting. RC will attempt to give Radial and 4.7 classes a separate start
- 9) **Class Identification** - Laser Radials and 4.7s are required to fly a streamer attached to the head of their sail. The streamer will be available at registration.
- 10) **Racing area** - The racing area is between the Lake Murray Dam and the Spence Islands to the west.
- 11) **Courses**
 - a) Courses will be displayed by course number on the display board on the stern of the RC signal boat.
 - b) Appendix A shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be rounded, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 12) **Marks**
 - a) Marks W and L will be orange tetrahedrons.
 - b) Mark o (offset mark) will be a red ball.
 - c) Change marks as provided for in "Change of Course" will be yellow cylinders.
 - d) The start marks will be a yellow tetrahedron and a RC boat displaying an orange flag on a staff.
 - e) The finish marks will be a large red ball and a RC boat displaying an orange flag on a staff.
- 13) **The Start**
 - a) Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
 - b) Before the Warning Signal for the first race of the day, all skippers intending to race shall check in by sailing past the stern of the RC signal boat on starboard tack and hail their sail number. The RC will acknowledge by hailing the number back to the skipper. **A BOAT THAT COMPETES BUT FAILS TO CHECK IN SHALL RECEIVE A 20% SCORING PENALTY FOR THAT RACE AS DESCRIBED IN RULE 44.3(c). THIS MODIFIES RULE 63.1 and A5.**
 - c) The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat at the starboard end of the line and a yellow tetrahedron at the port end.
 - d) Any boat starting more than five minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS. This changes RRS A5.
- 14) **Change of Course**
 - a) A change of course after the start will be signaled in accordance with RRS 33.
 - b) When the weather mark is changed during a race the offset mark no longer needs to be rounded for the rest of the race even though it may still be in the water.
- 15) **The Finish** - The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC boat and the finishing mark.
- 16) **Time Limits** - The time limit is one and a half hours (90 minutes). Boats that have not retired and are still racing but fail to finish within 20 minutes of the first place boat shall be scored TLE, two points more than the last place boat that finishes within the "finishing window", but not worse than DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4.2

17) **Retirement** - A boat which retires from the race shall notify the RC before leaving the race area, or notify the RC personnel on shore.

18) **Immediate Penalties for Breaking Rule 42**

- a) Appendix P may be applied. If so, it will be applied as changed by SI 18(b)
- b) Rule P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to all signaled violations after the first one.

19) **Protest**

- a) The protesting boat shall deliver a written protest to the protest committee within the 45 minute protest time limit beginning when the signal boat docks and sounds. The docking time will be posted on the ONB.
- b) Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors when and where there is a hearing that they are a party to or witness.
- c) RRS 66 is changed by adding this sentence: “On the last day of racing a *party* to a hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 30 minutes after being informed of the decision.

20) **Scoring** - Each boat’s regatta score will be the sum total of all her race scores, with her worst score discarded if 6 or more races have been completed. This changes RRS A2. Seven races are scheduled, of which one completed race shall constitute a regatta.

21) **Prizes** - The following trophies will be presented to the Full Rig, Radial and 4.7 classes based on number of registrants. 4 boats = 1 award. 5-10 boats = 2 awards, 11-15 boats = 3 awards, 16-25 boats = 4 awards, 26 boats or more = 5 awards. The Laser Full rig will also recognize and award the 1st Junior finisher, 1st Female finisher, and 1st Master finisher unless one of these categories is first in the fleet overall. The Radial and 4.7 fleet will also award the 1st female finisher and 1st Junior finisher unless one of these categories is first in their respective fleets overall.

22) **Safety**

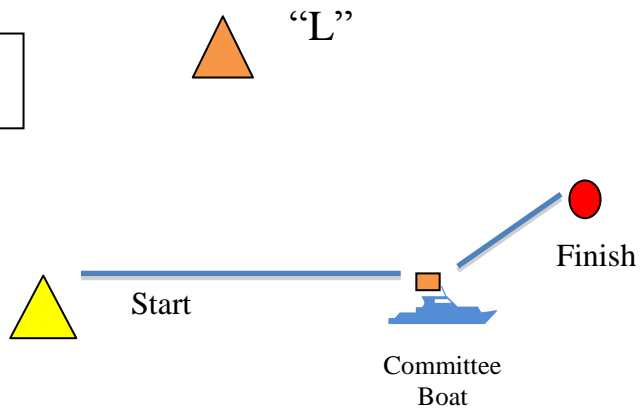
- a) A PFD shall be worn by all competitors from dock to dock. Only the RC or protest committee may protest a competitor under this rule. The first violation will receive a warning. **The second offense will be a disqualification from that race after a hearing.**
- b) The safety of a boat is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper who must decide whether or not to start or continue racing.

23) **No Discharging Trash** - Any competitor observed discharging trash into the waters at any location will, after a hearing be scored **DSQ** for that day’s racing.

Appendix A



Windward, offset and leeward marks shall be left to port



Courses:

WL1 – Start – W- O – L – Finish

WL2 – Start – W – O – L – W – O – L – Finish

WL 3 – Start – W – O – L – W – O – L – W – O – L - Finish