



Laser District 13 Championships

Sarasota Sailing Squadron, Sarasota, Florida, December 6-7 2014

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regattas will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 All hails will use the last 4 digits of the sail number.

2. Notices To Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Squadron Pavilion.

3. Changes To Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted before 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the east side of the clubhouse.
- 4.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signal AP.

5. Racing Area

The racing area will be Sarasota Bay.

6. Schedule of Races

Saturday, December 6

1015 Skippers Meeting

1100 First warning signal

Sunday, December 7

1030 First warning signal

1500 No warning signal after 1500

7. Class Flags

- 7.1 For the Laser Class, the Class Flag will be a red Laser logo on a white background.
- 7.2 For the Radial Class, the Class Flag will be a red Laser logo on a green background.
- 7.3 For the 4.7 Class, the Class Flag will be a red laser logo on a yellow background.

8. Courses

- 8.1 The diagrams and descriptions in Attachment A define the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The course to be sailed will be indicated by a W or a T.

9. Marks

- 9.1 The starting mark will be a green inflatable.
- 9.2 The windward, leeward, and reach marks will be yellow inflatables. The windward-offset and finish marks will be red balls.
- 9.3 New marks, as provided in instruction 11, will be orange inflatables.
- 9.4 If only one gate mark is in place, it shall be rounded to port.

10. The Start

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the port-end starting mark.

- 10.2 A boat may not start later than 5 minutes after her starting signal.
- 10.3 When an individual recall is signaled, the race committee will attempt to hail boats that are OCS. The timing and order, or omission, of such hails or the failure of a boat to hear a hail will not be considered an improper action or omission of the race committee under rule 62.1.
- 10.4 Recall and postponement flags may also be displayed from the pin boat. OCS hails may also be made from the pin boat.

11. Change Of The Next Leg Of The Course

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or gate, or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark(s) as soon as possible. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12. The Finish

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the nearby finishing mark.
- 12.2 Flag A displayed from the finish boat means no more racing today.

13. Time Limit

The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 90 minutes. Boats still racing more than 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE and will receive two more points than the number of finishers. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4, A5, and A11.

14. Protests

- 14.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes from the time the race committee signal boat docks. The docking time will be posted on the Notice Board.
- 14.2 Additional instructions on protests and time limits for redress requests will be posted on the Notice Board.

15. Scoring

- 15.1 A minimum of one race must be completed to constitute a regatta.

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

16. Safety

- 16.1 Personal flotation devices shall be worn at all times while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 16.2 Boats shall check in with the race committee prior to the warning signal of the first race each day by sailing past the stern of the signal boat and hailing her sail number until acknowledged by the race committee.
- 16.3 A competitor that retires from a race or intends not to start a race shall inform the nearest safety or race committee boat as soon as possible.

17. Prizes

1st through 3rd Laser, 1st through 5th Radial, 1st through 3rd 4.7

Attachment A

