

2016 Laser Series Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Rule 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal floatation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits or dry suits are not personal floatation devices. Flag Y may or may not be displayed.
- 1.3 Rule 44.1 is changed as follows: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty as described in rule 44.2 when she may have broken a rule of part 2 while racing. However, if a boat breaks SI 8.4 (restricted start-finish line) she may take a Two-Turns Penalty and continue racing.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located inside the Tahoe Yacht Club clubhouse in Tahoe City. Entry information and Notices will also be posted on Regatta Network: http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12663.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Changes to the sailing instruction will be posted on the official notice board located inside the Tahoe Yacht Club clubhouse by 1200 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 the day before it will take effect. Changes will also be posted on Regatta Network.
- 3.2 The race committee may give oral changes to the sailing instructions, on-the-water. Should this be deemed necessary, the race committee shall display the "L" flag while make oral announcements.

4 NO SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No signals will be made ashore.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Races will be on Monday nights with two, 7-night series as follows:

(Spring series - 7 weeks) 5/30 through 7/11 First warning 1800 (Summer series - 7 weeks) 7/18 through 8/29 First warning 1800

- 5.2 Because of the Independence Day holiday, the Monday 7/4 race is schedule for Thursday 6/30.
- 5.3 Three races are scheduled each evening, although more races may be run should conditions permit.
- 5.4 Warning signals for second and subsequent races will be made as soon as practical after completion of each race.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be as follows. Multiple classes may start simultaneously, in which case the race committee will display multiple class flags:

6.1 Class Flag

Laser A Fleet Class Flag "A"
Laser B Fleet Class Flag "B"
Laser Pico Class Flag "C"

6.2 For Laser A and B fleets, either a full-rig or radial sail may be selected for any race.

7 RACING AREAS

The racing area will be near the Tahoe City PUD Lake Forest Boat Ramp located approximately two miles north of Tahoe City.

8 THE COURSES AND MARKS

- 8.1 See Addendum A for course illustrations.
- 8.2 In Addendum A, "p" means leave mark to port, and "s" means leave mark to starboard. "OM" means offset mark.
- 8.3 A windward offset mark (mark OM) may or may not be set.
- 8.4 Unless preparing to start, starting, or finishing, boats shall not cross the start-finish line. Boats breaking this SI may take a Two-Turns Penalty, as described in rule 44.2, and continue racing.

9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started using Appendix S (Sound-Signal Starting System).
- 9.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange or red flag on the race committee signal boat and a round red/orange buoy.
- 9.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made are requested to keep clear of the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes, and while boats are finishing.

10. RECALLS

The Race Committee may hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) identified on the course side of the starting line after the starting signal. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat to hear the hail, or the order of the hails shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

11 THE FINISH

The finishing line is the same as the starting line.

12 TIME LIMIT

Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4, and A5.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- Boats intending to protest or request redress shall notify the PRO, including the sail number(s) of the boat(s) being protested, following the race in which the incident occurred.
- 13.2 Protest forms are available at the Tahoe Yacht Club clubhouse near the official notice board. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the TYC not later than noon on Tuesday following the race.
- 13.3 A notice will be posted online not later than noon on Wednesday following the race. Hearings are normally scheduled on Wednesday evening following the race at the TYC clubhouse.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 Twenty-one (21) races are scheduled for each series. Five (5) completed races are required to constitute a series.
- 14.2 As many races as possible may be run each day.
- 14.3 If fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. For every five races completed, one race score shall be discarded.

15 SAFETY

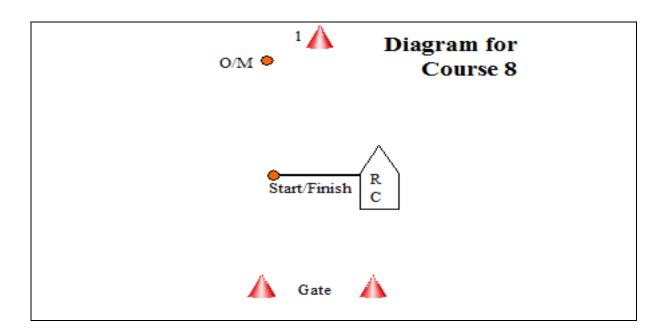
When reasonably possible, boats are requested to notify the RC when retiring from the race course.

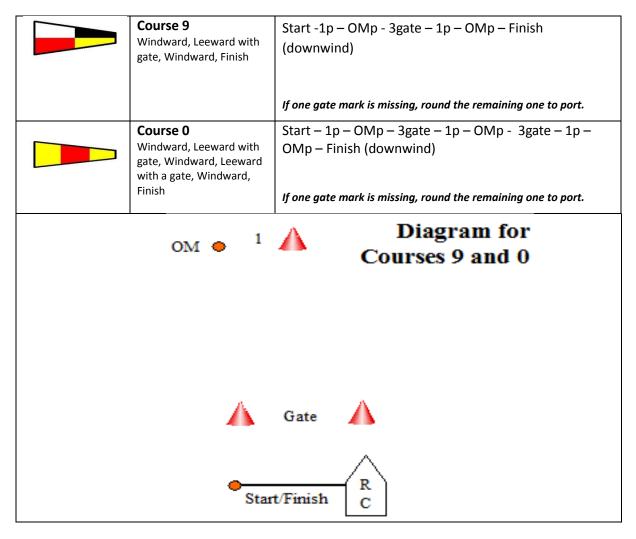
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Addendum A – Courses and Course Diagrams

	Course 1 Windward, Leeward	Start - 1p – OMp - 3p - Finish
	Course 2 Windward, Leeward Twice Around	Start - 1p - OMp - 3p - 1p - OMp - 3p—Finish
	Course 3 Triangle	Start—1p – OMp - 2p - 3p - Finish
	Course 4 Triangle, Windward Leeward	Start - 1p - OMp - 2p - 3p - 1p - OMp - 3p - Finish
	Course 5 Windward, Leeward, Windward	Start - 1p - OMp - 3p - 1p - OMp - Finish (downwind)
	Course 6 Windward, Finish	Start - 1p – OMp - Finish (downwind)
	Course 7 Harry Anderson	Start – 1p – 2p – HAs – 3p – Finish
		If HA is not present, round pin end of starting line to starboard.
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2 A HA Start/Finish R C		
	Course 8 Windward, Gate, Finish	Start – 1p –OMp – 3gate – Finish If one gate mark is missing, round the remaining one to port.

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