





## **Laser Masters Midwinters**

US Sailing Center of Martin County, Jensen Beach FL • February 6,7,8,& 9, 2018

# NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The organizing authority may issue colored bands to be applied to the mast.
- 1.3 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board.

## 2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 Members of the ILCA who have reached the age of 35 by the first day of the regatta may enter.
- 2.2 There will be classes for Standard and Radial Lasers. 4.7 sails may be used in the Radial Class.
- 2.3 Proof of ILCA membership is required at Registration, and ILCA membership forms will be available.
- 2.3 Entries may be made <u>online</u> at www.usscmc.org under <u>Upcoming Regattas</u>.
- 2.4 No entries or fleet changes will be accepted after 1000 Tuesday, February 06.

#### 3. Fees

- 3.1 Registration and entry fees must be received at USSCMC no later than Thursday, 01 February 2018. The entry fee is \$200/boat.
- 3.2 All registrations received from 02 February to 06 February 2018 will be charged an additional \$25 late fee.
- 3.3 Entry fee includes continental breakfast Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning and snacks while sailing. Three evening dinners with beer and wine are included as the evening socials.

#### 4. Schedule of Races

*Tuesday, 06 February* 0800 - 1000 Registration 1030 Skippers Meeting 1130 First warning signal – subsequent races to follow

Dinner and Social to follow racing & de-rigging

Wednesday, 07 February

1030 First warning signal – subsequent races to follow

Dinner and Social to follow racing & de-rigging

Thursday, 08 February

1030 First warning signal – subsequent races to follow

Dinner and Social to follow racing & de-rigging

Friday, 9 February

1030 First warning signal – subsequent races to follow

1500 No warning signal after 1500 Awards to follow after last race

There will be a maximum of 4 races per day.

### 5. Inspection and Measurement

- 5.1 Boats, gear, and sails may be inspected at any time for conformance to Class Rules.
- 5.2 Sails must display the full 5 or 6 digits numbers in accordance with the Class Rules, and must have the builder button.

## **6. Sailing Instructions**

The sailing instructions will be available no later than at on-site registration.

#### 7. Courses

Courses will be as illustrated in the sailing instructions and supplemental sailing instructions.

## 8. Scoring

- 8.1 A minimum of one race must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 8.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. A boat may exclude her worst score after 5 races have been completed.
- 8.3 Ten races are scheduled.
- 8.4 When two or more competitors are tied on points, the tie shall be broken as follows: Within an age division, a tie should be broken as described in RRS Appendix A, Section A8. Across the age divisions, a tie should be broken in favor of the sailor from the older division.
- 8.5 The NA Masters handicap system will be used to score the overall series. For each race: Apprentices add 3 points Masters add 2 points Grand Masters add 1 point Great Grand Masters add 0.

#### 9. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in each division, overall winner, and top female. The number of prizes for each division will be based on number of entries and will be at the discretion of the organizing authority.

## 10. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

#### 11. Boat Charters

12.1 A link has been provided for Laser Owners to charter their privately owned boats to Laser Master Competitors. Use this link to a Google doc

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1EAoXLAyZmbX5B8DUTIs0Hn-r9jzzcB-7hvZ-XCLKSkk/edit?usp=sharing

12.2 The Tackle Shack. Andy Le Vine andy@tackleshack.com

#### 13. Local Accommodations

Please consider supporting those who support the USSCMC. The following hotels are support our Regatta Season and are offering special Regatta Rates...

Holiday Inn - Port St. Lucie 772-337-2200 or 800-459-5044 Courtyard Marriott Oceanside Hutchinson Island 772-229-1000 or 877-905-4501

#### 14. Further Information

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