



2020 Laser California Masters' Championship Regatta

Mission Bay Yacht Club February 22-23, 2020



Sailing Instructions

1. **RULES.** The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS 2017-2020), except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions, and by these sailing instructions. The regatta is designated Category A.
 - 1.1 The RRS modified by these Sailing Instructions are: 35, 40, and 63.1.
2. **ENTRIES.** The regatta is open to all Laser sailors meeting the requirements for Apprentice Masters, Masters, Grand Masters or Great Grand Masters.
3. **NOTICE TO COMPETITORS.** Notices to competitors will be posted on the bulletin board located on the south end of the Yacht Club main clubhouse, near the flagpole.
4. **CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 10:30 am on the day it will take effect. An announcement over the PA system will accompany changes.
5. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**
 - 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole on the porch of the main clubhouse.
 - 5.2 Flag AP with appropriate sound signals means "Racing is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after AP is lowered".

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

Day and Date	Event	Event
Saturday, February 22, 2020	First (1 st) Race	Warning 1200
Saturday, February 22, 2020	Races 2-4	ASAP after Race #1
Sunday, February 23, 2020	Fifth (5 th .) Race	Warning 1200
Sunday, February 23, 2020	Races 6-7	ASAP after Race #5

- 6.2 A Skippers' meeting will be held Saturday morning at 10:00 at the south end of the main clubhouse by the flagpole.
- 6.3 Races will not be started after 1630 on Saturday or Sunday.
7. **RACING AREA.** The racing will be in the Pacific Ocean. The starting line will be located approximately 1 NM north of the west end of the Mission Bay North Jetty (approx 1/4 to 3/4 NM off the end of El Carmel Pl.). In the discretion of the Race Committee, due to either surf, weather or wind conditions, the Race Committee may elect to move the racing to the Sail Bay portion of Mission Bay. Reasonable notice of any such change will be provided to the sailors.
8. **THE COURSE.** See Attachment "A" for course descriptions.
9. **MARKS.** The weather mark and the Leeward gate marks will be orange tetrahedrons. The race committee will use yellow marks for new missing or damaged marks.
10. **THE START**
- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat at the starboard end and a staff displaying an orange flag at the port end of the line.
- 10.2 The Class Flag is as follows: White flag with Laser Class Insignia.
11. **RECALLS.** Recalls will be made in accordance with rule 29. The Race Committee will attempt to hail. However, the absence of a hail, or any other aspect of the hail, the failure of a competitor to hear such hail, shall not constitute grounds for redress.
PLEASE NOTE THAT IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH YACHT TO MAKE A PROPER START.
12. **THE FINISH.** The finish line for upwind finishes will be between an orange flag on a race committee boat and the weather mark. Note that the course to the finish line must take the pin on the pin end of the line to port.
13. **TIME LIMIT:** Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rule 35 and A4.
14. **PROTESTS:**
- 14.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the club office and shall be lodged there within 1/2 hour of the time the Race Committee Signal Boat returns to the club.
- 14.2 Protesting yachts shall notify the Race Committee shortly after finishing with the identity of the yacht they are protesting.
15. **SCORING**
- 15.1 The Low-Point scoring system, rule A2, will apply except for the Laser Masters' scoring

system adjustments for the different age groups.

15.2. Seven (7) races are scheduled and two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

16. **PRIZES.** Prizes will be awarded in accordance with the Notice of Race, after the last race on Sunday.

17. **MEASUREMENT.** Participants may be required by the Race Committee to display their class membership card or their sail licensing marks before or after each day's sailing.

18. SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL

18.1 **ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST WEAR APPROVED PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES WHEN AFLOAT.** This modifies Rule 40.

18.2 Prior to the warning signal for the first race of each day, and only after the RC signal boat hoists the "L" flag, each boat shall sail by the stern of the race committee boat on starboard tack and check in. Boats must receive a response to be considered "checked in". Boats failing to do so may be scored DNC. This changes rule 63.1.

18.3 A participant who retires from a race or intends to leave the racing area before the end of racing for the day shall notify a race committee boat before leaving the racing area. If this is not practical, the participant shall notify the MBYC club office in person promptly upon arriving ashore.

18.4 Boats shall not discharge any trash over the side while on the water. Any boat which breaks this instruction may be disqualified from a race or all races sailed on the day of the infraction, or be subject to such other penalty as determined by the Protest Committee.

19. COURSES

Course numbers and headings to the weather-mark will be displayed using placards on the signal boat.

See attached course chart diagram.

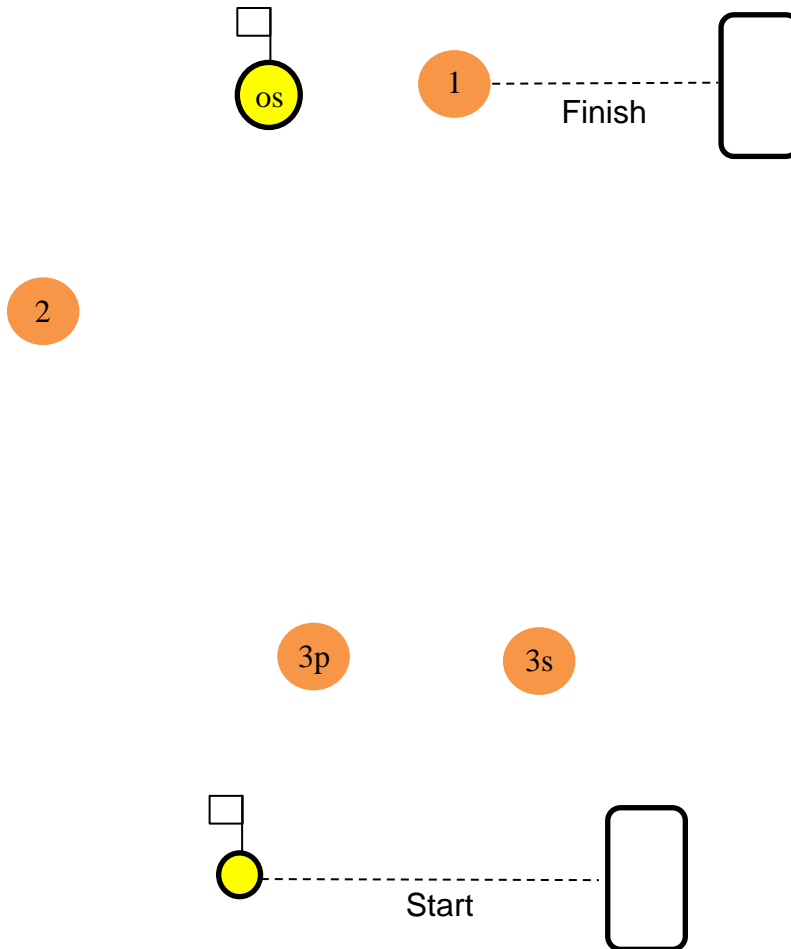
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Co-Regatta Chairs

Attachment A Course Chart



Course	Descriptions	Marks
3	W/L – 1 Lap	S-1-OS-3s/3p-Finish
Signaled with a placard displaying numeral 3. This is a windward/leeward course, one time around followed by a windward leg finishing at mark 1. Three legs total		
5	W/L – 2 Laps	S-1-OS-3s/3p-1-OS-3s/3p-Finish
Signaled with a placard displaying numeral 5. This is a windward/leeward course, two times around followed by a windward leg finishing at mark 1. Five legs total		
6	Triangle – W/L	S-1-OS-2-3s-1-3s/3p-Finish
Signaled with a placard displaying numeral 6. This is a triangle course, followed by a one lap windward/leeward course, followed by a windward leg finishing at mark 1. Six legs total		
*On triangle laps: marks 1, os, 2 and 3s are rounding marks and must be left to port		
**On windward leeward laps: marks 1 and os must be left to port. Mark 3s/3p are gate marks		