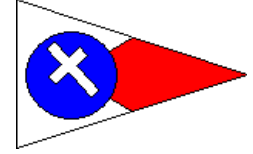


2020 Laser Masters Pacific Coast Championships



Santa Cruz Yacht Club, Santa Cruz, CA

August 14-16, 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the rules of the International Laser Class Association (ILCA).
- 1.2. Racing Rule 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices (code flag Y need not be displayed).
- 1.3. Unless a minimum of 12 Standard and 12 Radial entries has been received by the pre-registration deadline of 2000 hours PDT August 11, 2020, all entrants shall start and finish together and be scored as a single fleet. Competitors may choose Standard, Radial or 4.7 rigs at their discretion, provided that all rig changes are made on shore and all sails have the same number (Rig-Swapping Rule turned on).
Providing that a minimum of 12 Standard and 12 Radial entries has been received by the pre-registration deadline, the Radial fleet shall be given a separate start and shall be scored separately from the Standard Rig fleet (Rig-Swapping Rule turned off).
This changes ILCA Rule 28(d) by permission of International Laser Class Association of North America.
- 1.4. The organizing authority will issue colored bands to identify age groups that must be applied to the mast between the vang tang and the gooseneck. The colors shall be green for Apprentices, red for Masters, blue for Grand Masters, yellow for Great Grand Masters, and white for Legends.
- 1.5. All hails will use the last four digits of the sail number. If there is a duplicate, a “simple black line” under one of the sail numbers will be sufficient to indicate to the Race Committee that all six digits are required for identification.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Laser class whose skippers have reached the age of 35 by the regatta start date. Competitors shall be assigned to the following age divisions based on their age on the first day of the regatta:
 - 35-44: Apprentice
 - 45-54: Master
 - 55-64: Grand Master
 - 65-74: Great Grand Master
 - 75 & over: Legend
- 2.2. All competitors must be current members of ILCA North America or their equivalent national Laser Class Association. Non-members can join the class by completing registration online at www.laser.org.

- 2.3. Eligible competitors may enter by completing the online registration form on the official event website: www.regattanetwork.com/event/20808.
- 2.4. Competitors will be required to agree to a waiver of liability as a condition of eligibility. This waiver may be completed either during online registration or at the event check-in.

3. FEES

- 3.1. The entry fee is \$145 for entries completed on or before 2000 hours PDT August 11, 2020.
- 3.2. Entries received after 2000 hours PDT August 11, 2020 will be subject to a \$40 late fee.
- 3.3. Registration closes as 0745 hours PDT on August 14, 2020.
- 3.4. Entry fees include berthing during the regatta and souvenir.

4. SCHEDULE

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| Thursday August 13 | 1200 – 2000 PDT | Check-in & Measurement & Free sail |
| Friday August 14 | 0800 - 0930 PDT 1000 1225 | Check-in & Measurement Competitors Meeting First Race Warning |
| Saturday August 15 | 1225 PDT 1800 | First Race Warning Regatta Dinner |
| Sunday August 16 | 1225 PDT 1530 | First Race Warning No warning signal will be made after Awards to follow as soon as practical after racing |

5. INSPECTION & MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. All boats shall comply with current ILCA Class Rules and Specifications. Spot checks may be performed on any boat by the race committee or judges at any time during the event.
- 5.2. Competitors must present their sails at check-in for inspection to ensure that sail numbers and sail buttons comply with ILCA Class Rules (refer to instructions at www.laserinternational.org).

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the competitors meeting and on line at registration website above.

7. VENUE

- 7.1. Racing will be around temporary inflatable buoys or fixed buoys within a 3 mile radius of Walton Lighthouse. See venue photo Attachment A on event website.

8. SCORING

- 8.1. One (3) race will constitute a regatta.
- 8.2. It is the intention of the organizing authority to run 10 races.
- 8.3. When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

8.4. The ILCA-NA Masters handicap system will be used to determine the overall series winner. For each race counted in the competitor's final score, the following points will be added:

- Apprentices: 4 points
- Masters: 3 points
- Grand Masters: 2 points
- Great Grand Masters: 1 point
- Legends: 0 points

The competitor's overall score will be the sum of his or her included finishes plus his or her total handicap points.

8.5. Divisional positions are determined by extraction from the overall results without re-scoring.

8.6. When two (2) or more competitors are tied the tie shall be broken as follows:

- Within an age division, a tie will be broken as described in Appendix A, Section A8.
- Across age divisions, a tie should be broken in favour of the sailor from the older division.

9. SUPPORT BOATS

9.1. Support and coach boats must register at the Race Office during the check-in period. During racing, support boats shall monitor the race committee VHF channel 68 and remain more than 50 yards from the course area, except when asked to assist by the race committee.

9.2. Support and coach boats shall berth as directed by the Santa Cruz Harbor Master.

10. BERTHING

10.1. Boats shall be kept in the designated areas of berthing area. See SC Harbor supplemental information in Attachment B on event website.

11. PRIZES

11.1. Prizes will be given to the overall winner (lowest score after handicap points), first woman overall, and top finishers in each of the five age divisions.

11.2. The number of prizes will be adjusted to suit the number of competitors pre-registered in each division. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

12. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, & PERSONAL CONDUCT

12.1. Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

12.2. Competitors will accept full responsibility for all their actions during any activity related to this event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

13.1. Lasers will be available for charter at <https://vela-la.com/contact.html>

13.2. Additional useful information regarding accommodations, travel, boat charters and area recreation is available online at www.scyc.org/racing/

13.3. For more information, please email the Regatta Event Chairman Stephen Aguilar at sailsteve55@gmail.com. Or email info@scyc.org

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Additional information: Post-racing refreshments and admission to all scheduled social events available for purchase for \$25.00 at SCYC.