



2021 Skamania Coves Invitational Regatta

August 6-8, 2021

Columbia Gorge Racing Association

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. Racing Rule 40 will be 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).

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all sailors of the Tasar and Laser Masters classes.
- 2.2. Laser Masters will be assigned to age divisions as defined in the [ILCA-North America Masters Guidelines](#). Competitors may choose Standard or Radial rigs and change rigs throughout the regatta, provided that all rig changes are made on shore and all sails have the same number. Lasers will start and finish together and be scored as a single fleet. (Rig Swapping Rule turned on).
- 2.3. Competitors may enter by completing the online registration form and fee payment found on the Columbia Gorge Racing Association website www.cgra.org.
- 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 for Tasars is \$145 for entries completed with payment on or before July 23, 2021, and \$165 for entries completed or paid after that date.
- 3.2. The entry fee for Laser Masters is \$110 for entries completed with payment on or before July 23, 2021, and \$130 for entries completed or paid after that date.
- 3.3. CGRA Intermediate or Pro members are eligible for a discount of \$5.00 (you can join CGRA [here](#)).
- 3.4. Additional Welcome Reception and Dinner tickets may be purchased online or at the race office.
- 3.5. All requests for refunds will be processed according to the [CGRA Refund Policy](#).
- 3.6. In the event the regatta is canceled, at any time, all fees will be 100% refunded

4. SCHEDULE

Friday, August 6	10:00 am-5:00 pm	Early check-in at Skamania Coves
	Noon	Practice Race
	6:00 pm	Welcome Reception at the Coves
Saturday, August 7	8:30-10:00 am	Check-in at Skamania Coves
	10:00 am	Competitors Meeting
	11 am	First Race Warning
	7:00 pm	Regatta Dinner at the Coves
Sunday, August 8	11:00 am	First Race Warning
	3:00 pm	No warning signal will be made after
	ASAP after racing	Awards presentation

- 4.1. The number of races scheduled is 7.

5. INSPECTION & MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. All boats and sails shall comply with current class rules.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at event check-in and posted on the event website no later than 8:30 am Saturday, August 7.

7. VENUE

- 7.1. The racing area will be the Columbia River approximately one mile east of Stevenson, WA.
7.2. Shore facilities (CGR Race Office, boat storage and launching, lodging, camping, and meals) will be located on the grounds of the Resort at Skamania Coves (see Further Information, below).

8. COURSES

- 8.1. The courses will be around buoys set by the race committee as described in the Sailing Instructions.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. The following US Sailing Prescription will apply: [Appendix V1](#) (two-turn penalty replaced with a one-turn penalty except in the zone around turning marks).

10. SCORING

- 10.1. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
10.2. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
10.3. For Laser Masters, competitor's overall scores will be the sum of their included finishes plus age division handicap points as defined in the [ILCA-North America Masters Guidelines](#). Results within each age division will be determined by extraction from the overall results without re-scoring.

11. BERTHING [DP]

- 11.1. All boats shall be kept in the designated areas of the beach and lawn at the east end of the Skamania Coves Resort
11.2. Support boats may moor at the Skamania Coves Resort transient dock.
11.3. To arrange boat storage outside of the event period, contact the Race Office at susan@cgra.org.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. In the Tasar class, prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers overall.
12.2. In the Laser Masters class, prizes will be awarded to the overall winner (lowest score after handicap points), first woman overall, and top finishers in each age division. The number of prizes will be adjusted to suit the number of competitors pre-registered in each division.
12.3. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

13. SAFETY [DP]

- 13.1. Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with [USCG Navigation Rules and Regulations](#). Boats that fail to comply promptly with signals from a committee boat to alter course, or that receive a 5-blast warning (5 short sounds) from a stand-on vessel, will be subject to protest and disqualification.

14. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, & PERSONAL CONDUCT [DP]

- 14.1. 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.

FURTHER INFORMATION

The Columbia Gorge Racing Association is pleased to welcome our friends from the Laser Masters and Tasar classes to a very special event this summer celebrating the return of sailing to the Gorge. For this first annual Skamania Coves Invitational Regatta, we are temporarily moving our venue a couple of miles upriver and setting up base camp at the [Resort at Skamania Coves](#), a beautiful 30-acre waterfront property on the Washington side of the Columbia River, one mile east of Stevenson, WA.

The Resort offers a range of lodging options, from tent and RV camping to luxury two-bedroom cabins, all with breathtaking views of the river and surrounding mountains (see details below). There's ample lawn and beach area for staging and launching boats, plus a 100-ft dock. The cove is well protected and just a short sail from the start/finish line. The CGRA race team is aiming for fun, informal racing that takes full advantage of the venue's larger waves and wide-open spaces (there are rumors of a long-distance burn down to Home Valley and back). Start times will be flexible to align with optimum sailing conditions and accommodate onshore socializing.

Think of this as a "bush regatta" for adults!



LODGING OPTIONS AT THE RESORT AT SKAMANIA COVES

- Six luxury cabins (sleep 4-6 each, \$285-\$350/night), plus a very cool Treehouse (sleeps 2, \$285/night). Prices do not include taxes and cleaning fee.
- Eight tent sites with convenient access to restrooms, showers, potable water, 110-volt power, and a coin op laundry.
- Nine RV spaces with full hookups (\$53.75/night including tax).
- To book lodging, contact Scott Lonsway via email at scott@ssiworld.com or phone 503-519-4359.
Note: since CGRA has reserved the entire resort for the weekend, all bookings must go directly through Scott; you will not be able to book through the Skamania Coves website.
- Other local lodging options can be viewed online at www.cgra.org.

COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS

All the usual COVID-19 precautions, restrictions, and contingencies will apply, in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations in effect at the time of the event. Fingers crossed that by August the emphasis will have shifted from "distance" to "social" but in any event, CGRA requires all regatta participants, including skippers, crews, and volunteers, to comply with all guidelines as specified in the [Covid-19 Regatta Guidelines](#) and sign and return the [Assumption of Risk & Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/Covid-19](#) form to Susan@cgra.org as a condition of entry (both documents available on the event website).

For more information, contact Regatta Chairman Bill Symes at bill@cgra.org.