



2010 Laser North American Championship Notice of Race (As Amended 06/15/2010)

Laser, Radial, 4.7 June 23 – 27, 2010 Texas Corinthian Yacht Club Kemah, Texas

1 Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING), the rules of the International Laser Class Association (ILCA) and this Notice Of Race, except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions or any appendices to the Sailing Instructions.

1.2 The US SAILING prescriptions that apply are stated in full in Appendix A.

- 1.3 The organizing authority is the Texas Corinthian Yacht Club and ILCA-NA.
- 1.4 The regatta is designated Category C in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

2 Language

The official language for this regatta will be English.

3 Inspection and Measurement

3.1 Sail measurement will be required at this regatta. Please ensure your sail numbers are applied in accordance with ILCA class rules. Sails may be measured prior to racing, and may also be spot checked at any time during the regatta. Note that numbers and letters drawn on the sail with permanent ink pens are not legal. *Country letters will be required.* Refer to <u>http://www.laserinternational.org/sailnos.htm</u> for detailed instructions.

3.2 Competitors may be required to display sponsor logo on hull or sail.

4 Eligibility and Entry

Laser, Radial, and Laser 4.7 competitors who are members of the ILCA-NA or their national Laser Class Association may enter by completing registration with the organizing authority. A minimum of five entries are required to constitute a class.

5 Risk

It is the competitor's decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race. The competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks. The competitor will accept full responsibility for all his/her actions during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

All competitors will be required to complete a Medical Consent and Liability Release. Forms completed by competitors under the age of 18 must be signed by a parent or guardian.

6 Schedule of Events

6.1	Wednesday, June 23	1200 -1900 hrs: Check in and Measurement
	Thursday, June 24	0800 - 1000 hrs. Registration & Check in 1030 hrs. Competitors Meeting 1200 hrs. First Warning Signal 1830 hrs. Mexican Fajita Cookout
	Friday, June 25	1000 hrs. First warning signal of the day Post race snacks & refreshments
	Saturday, June 26	1000 hrs. First warning signal of the day 1830 hrs. Pasta Buffet
	Sunday, June 27	1000 hrs. First warning signal of the day Awards immediately after racing

6.2 No warning signal will be made after 1430 hrs on Sunday, June 27, 2009.

7 Advance Registration

7.1 Competitors may register in advance through the regatta website <u>www.lasernorthamericans.com</u>.

7.2 The Medical Consent and Liability Release is available online and can be returned by email to <u>Daniel@tcyc.org</u> or by fax 281-559-1478.

7.3 To complete check-in, competitors must have paid all entry fees, completed all required forms and completed the measurement process.

8 Fees

8.1 The entry fee is for Laser, Radial and 4.7 entries is \$145.00. The entry fee will be \$180.00 if received after June 1, 2010.

8.2 The entry fee includes breakfast, energy bars, fruit and bottled water on the water and dinners on scheduled evenings, as well as a T-Shirt.

9 Sailing Instructions

The sailing instructions will be available during check-in.

10 Courses & Racing Area

10.1 Courses will be standard ILCA-NA courses as described in the ILCA-NA Regatta Guidelines.

10.2 The racing area will be on Galveston Bay, approximately 1 mile due East from the TCYC pier.

11 Scoring

11.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A4, will be used except as modified below.

11.2 Ten (10) races are scheduled; a minimum of three (3) races must be completed to constitute a series.

11.3 When six (6) or more races are completed a sailor may discard their worst score. When ten (10) races are completed a sailor may discard their two worst scores.

12 Coach Boats

All coach and support boats must register with the race committee before the start of the regatta and monitor a VHF radio. They are restricted to outside the race area during all races and may be called upon to assist as a rescue boat at any time.

13 Additional Information

13.1 Charter Boats may be available. Please contact Malinda Crain (mrcrain@gmail.com)

13.2 There is NO CAMPING allowed on the Texas Corinthian Yacht Club.

13.3 Car and trailers will be parked in designated areas.

13.4 Suggested places to stay:

Kemah Days Inn / 1.06 mi to TCYC

1411 Hwy 146, Kemah, TX 77565, (281) 538-0077

Passport Inn & Suites Kemah / 1.74 mi to TCYC

601 Texas Avenue, Kemah, TX 77565, (281) 334-4855

Kemah Boardwalk Inn / 2.22 mi to TCYC

8 Kemah Waterfront, Kemah, Texas 77565, (281) 334-9880

Quality Inn & Suites / Seabrook / 3.89 mi to TCYC

2720 Nasa Parkway, Seabrook, TX, 77586, (281) 326-7200

Comfort Inn & Suites-Nasa/Clearlake / 4.04 mi to TCYC

2901 Nasa Pkwy, Seabrook, TX 77586-3216, (281) 326-3301

For additional regatta information please see <u>www.lasernorthamericans.com</u> or <u>www.tcyc.org</u> or contact:

Ellen Donnelly 713-450-5212 ellendonnelly@att.net Daniel Moreno (TCYC Manager) 281-339-1566 <u>daniel@tcyc.org</u>

<mark>Appendix A</mark>

US SAILING Prescriptions that Apply

1 RRS 68 DAMAGES – US SAILING prescribes that:

- (a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
- (b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the *rules*. No protest committee or US SAILING appeals authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
- (c) A basic purpose of the *rules* is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the *rules* a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the *rules* shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of "assumption of risk" for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.
- 2 RRS 76.1 EXCLUSION OF BOATS OR COMPETITORS US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or age.
- 3 RRS 76.3 US SAILING prescribes that a boat whose entry is rejected or cancelled or a competitor who is excluded from a race or series shall be, upon written request, entitled to a hearing, conducted by the protest committee under RRS 63.2, 63.3, 63.4 and 63.6.