



2011 AREA D ELIMINATIONS FOR THE U.S. SINGLEHANDED MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SAILING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Organizing Authority: US SAILING Area D

Hosted by the Davis Island Yacht Club

2-3 April, 2011

NOTICE OF RACE

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Amended 16 March, 2011

1. **RULES** - The National Finals as well as all elimination events shall be governed by *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS); the U.S. Singlehanded Championships Conditions (SHC Conditions); the US SAILING Regulations Sections 10.0 (Championships), 13.04 (Sexual Abuse and Harassment Policy), 13.05 (physical Abuse Policy), and 14.04 (Volunteers at US SAILING Events); US SAILING Policy, Certified Officials at any Event (Championship Management), and the International Laser Class Association (ILCA) rules.
 - 1.1 The prescriptions of US Sailing to RRS 60 and 63.2 will not apply.
2. **INCLUSION OF APPENDIX-P** –Special Procedures of Appendix P will be in effect.
3. **CLASSES** – Laser (Men's) and Laser Radial (Women's)
 - 3.1 The Area D Semifinals is open to Laser Full Rig for the Men's Semifinal and Laser Radial Rig for the Women's Semifinal. This is a bring your own boat elimination.
4. **ELIGIBILITY**
 - 4.1 ALL competitors MUST BE:
 - a. At least 16 years of age in the calendar year; and
 - b. Members of US SAILING at all levels of competition; and
 - c. A member of one of the following:
 - 1) A Sailing Club or Sailing Organization, or District Laser Class Association (LSO), belonging to a Sailing Association (RSA) recognized by US SAILING;
 - 2) A Sailing Club, Sailing Organization, or Laser Class Association, belonging directly to US SAILING,
 - 3) A Community Sailing Program (CSP) which is a member of the local RSA;
 - 4) A member of or a drilling Reservist of the Military Service
 - 4.2 A competitor may compete in only one Area elimination and only in the elimination for the Area in which he or she resides in or regularly competes. Each competitor's LSO or CSP shall be located within the geographical borders of the Area conducting the elimination.
 - 4.3 No competitor, after being entered or participating in any Area elimination may be a competitor from another elimination in the same year. This restriction does not apply to ICSA, ISSA, Military Services and other selection events. See Conditions 3.4.
 - 4.4 Competitors for the Men's Championship must be males. Competitors for the Women's Championship must be females.
 - 4.5 Entrants must be members of the Laser Class Association.
 - 4.6 **MUST BE REGISTERED ONLINE NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT MARCH 31st.**
Link to register: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/>
5. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

April 2, 0700-0830	Check in
April 2, 0830	Competitors Meeting
April 2, 1000	First Warning signal for first day of racing
April 2, 1800	Regatta Dinner
April 3, 0900	First Warning signal for second day of racing

no original warning signal will be made after 1400 hours on Sunday, April 3
6. **FEES** - Entry fee \$50.00

- 7.1 Entry fee includes lunches and dinner
- 7.2 Additional meal packages for non-competitors may be purchased for \$25.00 each.
7. **REGISTRATION** Competitors must register via the regatta network registration site at www.regattanetwork.com by midnight on March 31st. Late and same day registrations will NOT be permitted.
8. **PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES**
US SAILING Regulations 10.01C apply at all levels of competition as follows:
10.01 C. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES
1. For adult US SAILING championship events, no competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841.
 2. For Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any US SAILING championship, no participant or competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use).
 3. An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations, it shall follow the process described in racing rule 69.1, and a competitor found to have breached one of these regulations shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.
9. **HOUSING** – Camping is permitted at the club. Please leave pets at home.
10. **COACHING & SUPPORT VESSELS** – This event is a USSAILING Grade 1 for Coaching and Support Vessels as outlined at http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/Coaching_and_Support_Vessels.htm.
11. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - Provided at registration.
12. **EVENT FORMAT** – Bring and sail your own boat.
13. **NUMBER OF RACES**
- 13.1 The number of races sailed equals the number of boats entered times two, with a maximum of nine races in the event.
 - 13.2 Should conditions or circumstances make it impossible or impractical to complete an event in accordance with the chosen format, the event will be determined on the number of races sailed. One race may constitute an event.
14. **COURSES** - Courses will be those diagrammed in the Sailing Instructions.
15. **SCORING** - Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing, as modified by the SHC Conditions will apply. See Section 13 of the SHC Conditions.
16. **DECISIONS OF THE PROTEST COMMITTEE**
In accordance with rule 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US Sailing's permission has been granted. If the requirements shown on http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Rules/No_Appeal/Rule_70_5_a_Procedure.htm are not met, the decisions of the protest committee may be appealed.
17. **PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICES** - All competitors in US SAILING championships, at all levels, shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) approved personal floatation device (PFD) while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing (US SAILING Regulation 10.01 (D)).
18. **POWER LINE HAZARD** -The sites for US SAILING Championships, at all levels, shall follow US SAILING Regulation 10.05 and be free of power line hazards in any area.
19. **PRIZES** – U S Sailing Medals will be awarded to the top three finishers for each elimination. The Area D Singlehanded Championship Perpetual trophies will be presented to the Top Finisher of the Men's division and Women's Division.

20. **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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21. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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The top male and female winners of the Singlehanded Championships Semifinals for Area D will be given an entry berth at the 2011 U.S. Singlehanded Championships

July 21-24th, 2011

Columbia Gorge Racing Association

Area D will pay entry fee to the finals

For final event information and NOR go to:

<http://championships.ussailing.org/Adult/USSinglehandedChampionship.htm>