

2007 Laser Pacific Coast Championships

Laser, Laser Radial and Laser 4.7

August 10, 11, 12

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NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)

1.2 The Organizing Authority is the Treasure Island Sailing Center (TISC).

1.3 The regatta is designated Category C in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20. The Organizing Authority may require competing boats to carry event sponsor advertising on the hull.

1.4 The official language for this regatta will be English.

1.5 RRS 40.1 is changed. All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while on the water except for short periods of time to change clothing. Code flag "Y" shall not be flown.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 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.

2.2 For entry applications received and accepted prior to 20 July 2007, the entry fee is US One Hundred Twenty five dollars (US\$125.00 dollars). Entry applications received after 20 July 2007 shall have a late fee of US Thirty-five dollars (US\$35.00 dollars) added. USSA members may deduct \$10 if they supply a copy of current USSA membership card.

2.3 Entries may be made online at www.pcc2007.laserforum.org or by mail to TISC and shall include the competitor's current good standing National Laser Class Association number. Laser Class Association Membership Applications will be available at TISC.

2.4 Full payment of entry shall be made not later than 1000 Hours 10 August 2007. No entry will be accepted until full payment is made and a signed entry form is supplied. Entry form is available on line.

2.5 Prior to 3 August 2007 competitors under 18 years old on 10 August 2007 shall mail or Fax a completed parent/guardian consent form as provided by the OA to TISC. For the duration of the Championship, each sailor under 18 years old on 10 August 2007, shall be accompanied by a responsible adult who is named on the parent-guardian consent form.

2.6 The entry fee includes continental breakfast, food and fresh water during each race day, dinner on scheduled evenings and a regatta souvenir.

3 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.

4 INSPECTION AND MEASUREMENT

Sails may be measured 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 and that Laser Class Button must be in place. Refer to <http://www.laserinternational.org/sailnos.htm> for detailed instructions.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday 9 August

1200 to 1700

Registration

1830

Practice races 1st warning signal

Friday 10 August

0900

Registration, Qualifier races if necessary

1000

Competitors Meeting

1200

1st. Warning Signal of the day, 3 races shall be sailed

Dinner served after racing (Grill your own)

Saturday 11 August

1000

Competitors meeting

1200

1st. Warning Signal of the day, 4 races shall be sailed

Dinner served after racing

Sunday 12 August

1200

1st. Warning Signal of the day, 4 races shall be sailed

No warning signal will be made after 15:30.

Hors d'oeuvres and Awards to follow ASAP after last race.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available during on-site registration and on the web site after 1 August 2007.

7 COURSES & RACING AREA

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

7.2 The racing area will be either 1/2 nm north of Treasure Island in the main SF Bay or to the east of TI on the Emeryville flats, at the discretion of the Race Committee.

8 SCORING

8.1. The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

8.2. To constitute a Championship, 5 races are required to be completed. If fewer than five races are sailed in any class, then that class will be deemed as not having sailed a Championship.

8 SCORING (CONTINUED)

8.3 If qualifying races are required, only the final races will count for total points in the Championship. After the Qualifying races – if needed - the fleets will be split into Gold and Silver Fleets.

8.4 When 5 or more races are completed in a series there shall be one throw out race. This changes RRS A2.

9 COACHES

Coaches shall register at the event by 1000 on August 10 to be considered a “Coach Boat.” All Coach Boats must bring a marine VHF radio capable of receiving channels 16, 68, 69, 71 and 73 at a minimum. All boats near the course must be registered and shall fly a flag provided by the OA. Coach Boats shall pay a registration fee of \$25. A package for coaches which includes continental breakfast, food and fresh water during each race day, dinner on scheduled evenings and a regatta souvenir shall be available for a fee of \$75 per person if paid by 20 July and a fee of \$85/person after that date.

10 BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

In the event of damage, boats and equipment may only be substituted with the written permission of the Regatta Measurer or Race Committee. If the damage occurs later than 90 minutes before the first scheduled start on a racing day and before the start of the last race of the day, provisional verbal permission shall be obtained from the Regatta Measurer, Jury or Race Committee and the written permission of the Regatta Measurer or Race Committee shall be applied for before the end of Protest Period at the end of the day in which the substitution takes place.

11 IMMEDIATE PENALTIES FOR BREAKING RULE 42

Appendix P will apply with the following changes: Action taken by the jury under Appendix P will not be grounds for redress by a competitor.

12 PRIZES

12.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top positions in each Class with one prize for every eight boats registered, with a minimum of three and a maximum of ten.

12.2 Junior: One prize, a junior shall not have had their 18th birthday before the first day of racing.

12.3 Apprentice Master: One prize, an apprentice master must have had their 35th birthday before the first day of racing.

12.4 Master: One prize, a master must have had their 45th birthday before the first day of racing.

12.5 Grand Master: One prize, a grand master must have had their 55th birthday before the first day of racing.

12.6 Great Grand Master: One prize. A great grand master must have had their 65th birthday before the first day of racing.

13 PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

By entering the Championships competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using Treasure Island Sailing Center's facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images or any use thereof.

14 LIABILITY WAIVERS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of acceptance of a competitor's entry by and the National Laser Class Association, each competitor acknowledges and agrees as follows:

14.1 They own or have chartered the boat entered and certify that it is in a safe and seaworthy condition. They confirm that they are of good health and a competent sailor capable of sailing a Laser in strong winds, and it is their sole responsibility to decide to participate in a race or to continue racing.

14.2 They are personally responsible for the operation of their boat and will comply with the Racing Rules of Sailing and with all laws and rules governing the use of the marina and they will wear an adequate personal flotation device.

14.3 Treasure Island Sailing Center and the National Laser Class Association are not competitor's insurers. A competitor undertakes to maintain sufficient insurance to protect from all risks arising from this Agreement.

14.4 Each competitor accepts and acknowledges that there are risks inherent in the sport of sailboat racing and they freely assume all risks, including personal injury or death to themselves, loss or damage to their boat and its equipment, as well as unforeseen risks arising from any participation in the race or use of Treasure Island Sailing Center's facilities.

14.5 WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY: To the fullest extent permitted by law, each competitor waives all claims and forever release the National Laser Class Association and TI Sailing Center, its owners, affiliates, officers, employees, agents, committee persons and race officials acting in their official capacities, from any damage, liability, loss, cost or expense including attorney fees arising from their participation in the race, including any active or passive regular negligence of Treasure Island Sailing Center or the National Laser Class Association.

14.6 ARBITRATION: Any claim or dispute between a competitor and Treasure Island Sailing Center or the National Laser Class Association, that is not resolved by negotiation of the parties will be submitted to binding arbitration in San Francisco County under the rules of the American Arbitration Association.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

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NOTE: gas, food, and drink are not available on Treasure Island, other than what is supplied with your registration.

