

Laser District 13 Championship
Organizing Authority: St. Petersburg Yacht Club
November 14-15 2020
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SPYC Laser D 13 Championship COVID-19 Policies

All CDC, State of Florida, County and City of St Pete guidelines/restrictions will be strictly followed along with the SPYC/SPSC Covid rules and regulations.

SPSC will be strictly limited to Laser D 13 Competitors only. All Support persons shall remain off premises unless actively loading or unloading for transportation to and from the event,

DUE TO COVID-19, THIS EVENT MAY BE CANCELLED AT ANY TIME. If cancellation becomes necessary, entry fee refunds will be refunded.

The Official Notice Board, and all scores, will be posted on-line.

All communication to the fleet from the Event Chair and the RC will be sent via email.

The event is limited to the first 75 entries as per NOR section 5.3.

Teams will be assigned a rigging area inside the SPSC property. Please be mindful of others and remain socially distanced at all times.

The host club kindly requests competitors to vacate the venue within an hour of returning to shore.

All persons on SPYC/SPSC property shall wear a mask/face covering at all times while on site. This includes the parking lot, breezeways, classrooms, restrooms and docks.

No community water jugs or food will be provided on or off the water.

Mandatory temperature checks will be performed on all persons entering the SPSC facility.

It is critical to be mindful of how you feel, and, particularly when ANY of the potential COVID-19 symptoms are present, to please stay home.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing and the Class rules of the International Laser Class Association.
- 1.2 Racing rule 61 will be changed to require a competitor to inform the race committee finish boat of their intention to protest, including the sail number of the protested boat immediately after finishing.
- 1.3 Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for Breaking Rule 42, will apply.
- 1.4 There shall be no redress for boats scored OCS/UFD/BFD. This changes RRS 62 and the recommendations of Appendix M.
- 1.5 A boat may take a one turn penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of part 2 in an incident while racing except if she has broken rule 18, she shall exonerate herself with a two turns penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 1.6 RRS 63.7 shall be replaced by, "If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions (SI's), the Sailing Instructions shall apply." This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.7 The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.2 are deleted.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at www.yachtscoring.com.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 90 minutes before the launch signal on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by the end of protest time on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SPSC flagpole.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signal AP.
- 4.3 When a visual signal is displayed over a class flag, the signal applies only to that class.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday November 13th	1600-1800	Check-in
Saturday November 14th	0800- 0900	Check-in
	1015	First warning of the day
Sunday November 3rd	0930	First warning of the day
	1430	No warning after this time
	ASAP	Awards Mailed

6. CLASS FLAGS

The class flags are:

Laser: Green Flag
Laser Radials: Purple Flag
Laser 4.7's: Yellow Flag

7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the vicinity of a point 1.5 nm east of the St. Petersburg Pier.

8. COURSES

8.1 Addendum A shows the course diagram, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9. MARKS

9.1 Marks 1 and 2s/2p will be green tetrahedrons. The offset will be a small orange ball.

9.2 Change marks, as provided in SI 11 will be orange tetrahedrons.

10. STARTS

10.1 Races will be started using rule 26.

10.2 The starting line will be between the staffs from which orange flags are displayed on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end of the line and the start pin boat on the port end of the line.

10.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1, A4 and A5.

10.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

11.2 Changes in direction and length will be signaled according to RRS 33.

11.3 When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

12. FINISHES

The finish line will be between the finishing mark (small yellow inflatable mark) and the staff bearing an orange flag on the race committee finish boat.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 The jury will display code flag J aboard its boats.

14. TIME LIMITS

14.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 75 minutes.

14.2 Boats failing to finish 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS

15.1 Protest forms will be available in the sailing center office.

15.2 Protests shall be delivered to the sailing center office no later than 30 minutes after the posted docking time of the race committee signal boat.

15.3 The protest notices required by RRS 63.2, and the notification of protests by the race committee required by RRS 61.1(b), will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible after a protest has been delivered, but no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit

15.4 Breaches of SI 4.2, 10.4, and 17 will not be grounds for a protest by a competitor. Penalties shall be at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes racing rule 60.1(a) and 64.1 (a).

15.5 On the last day of the regatta, a request for re-opening a hearing or a request for redress from a race committee or protest committee decision shall be delivered:

(a) Within the protest time limit if the party making the request was informed of the decision before that day; or

(b) No later than 30 minutes after the party making the request was informed of the decision that day.

This changes rules 62.2 and 66.

16. SCORING

16.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply, except that no score will be excluded unless five (5) or more races have been completed. This changes rule A2.

16.2 One race will constitute a regatta.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Before retiring from a race and leaving the racecourse, the race committee shall be notified by the competitor, the competitor's coach, or a safety person. If this is impossible, the competitor shall go to the safety coordinator's office on the second floor of the Sailing Center immediately upon arriving ashore.

17.2 If the race committee signal boat displays flag L prior to a warning signal, each boat shall sail past the stern of the race committee signal boat on starboard tack and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the race committee.

17.3 Each competitor shall wear a properly fastened US Coast Guard Approved personal flotation device from dock to dock, except for brief periods while changing clothing. This replaces RRS 40.

17.4 Boats that break any part of SI 17 will receive, without a hearing, a 5-place scoring penalty as described in rule 44.3(c). This changes rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

18.1 Random equipment and measurement checks may be made throughout the regatta at the direction of the race committee.

18.2 Substitution for damaged equipment requires the approval of the protest committee.

19 SUPPORT BOATS

19.1 All support boats, including coach boats, shall register with the organizing authority.

19.2 Any time that a class flag has been displayed by the RC signal boat, coaches and support boats shall remain at least 75 meters to leeward of the starting line unless transiting to windward via the starboard side of the race course.

20 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as per the Notice Of Race.

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely 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.

21.2 Parents/guardians of competitors, who are under 18 years of age, must sign a legal liability waiver.

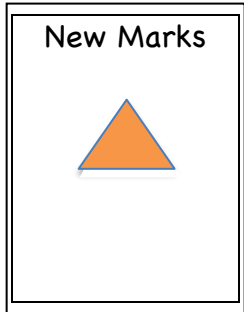
21.3 Competitors 18 years of age and older shall sign a waiver at check-in.

Appendix A
Windward-Leeward Course Diagram
(NOT TO SCALE)

Wind ↓



1



2s



2p



Start



COURSE
WINDWARD/LEEWARD
START -1p-1o-2s/p-1p-1o-2p-- FINISH

