

Laser District 8 Association Spring Fling Regatta

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Saturday, April 9, 2022

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed rules as defined in the 2021 - 2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the rules on the International Laser Class except as modified below.

- 1.1 RRS 26 is modified that the starting sequence will follow Appendix U.
- 1.2 RRS 40 is modified to allow PFD's of 50N.
- 1.3 RRS 40 is modified that One-Turn Penalty shall satisfy penalties under this rule.
- 1.4 Appendix A is modified as per section 14 of these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.5 Laser Class Rules are modified to allow sails manufactured by non-class certified sailmakers; however the sailmaker shall comply with the class measurement diagrams.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the West side of the Jr Club.
- 2.2. Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 11:00.
- 2.3. Oral changes may be made on the water via loudhailer.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be hailed in the boat park. If a postponement is hailed ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after the boats are released to launch.

4 SCHEDULE

Registration shall be held at Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Club starting at 10:00. A competitors' meeting shall be held at 11:00 on April 9 at 11:00 at the Junior Club. No boats are to leave the shore until the safety boat(s) are afloat and operating. The warning signal for the first race will be at 12:00. Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. A maximum of seven (7) races will be sailed.

5 SAFETY

All competitors, race committee, and safety boat operators shall wear PFD's while on the water. Participants are strongly encouraged to wear a dry suit. At the discretion of the Race Committee, racing may be canceled when potentially unsafe conditions exist. Boats leaving the racing area to return to shore before the end of the day's racing should inform the race committee or a safety boat.

6 CHECK-IN PROCEDURE

Before the warning signal of the first race, each boat shall sail past the leeward side of the Race Committee Float and hail their sail number and name until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

7 COURSES AND MARKS

The courses will be Windward Leeward (with possible multiple rounds), Triangle or Olympic. The course will be hailed by the Race Committee prior to the warning signal. All marks will be orange or red spheres. Diagrams are in Appendix A.

8 STARTING AND FINISHING, STARTING SYSTEM

The starting and finishing lines will be between a yellow flag on the Race Committee Float and an adjacent inflated mark. Appendix U - Sound Signal Starting System will be used, this changes RRS 26.

9 RECALLS

Individual Recalls: An individual recall shall be signaled with one horn/whistle sound. This changes Rule 29.1. The race committee will attempt (but is not required) to hail the last three digits of the sail numbers of boats on the course side of the starting line (OCS). When all OCS boats have started properly an "all clear" hail may be made. Any boat failing to return to start properly shall be recorded as "On Course Side" (OCS).

General Recall: A general recall will be signaled with a series of horn/whistle sounds. This changes Rule 29.2. In the event of a general recall, Rule 30.1 will automatically go into effect; however, the "I" flag will not be flown. This changes Rule 30.1. After the second General Recall, Rule 30.3 may be hailed as being in effect; however, the Black flag will not be flown. This changed Rule 30.3.

10 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each race will be 40 minutes for the first boat to finish. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes of the first boat will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE).

11 SCORING

- 11.1 The scoring of each series shall use Appendix A- Scoring
- 11.2 One race shall constitute a regatta.
- 11.3 The race committee intends to run a maximum of seven (7) races. The number of races conducted is at the sole discretion of the race committee.
- 11.4 A boat's worst score shall be excluded if 5 or more races are completed.

12 PROTESTS

The protesting boat shall immediately inform the boat being protested by hailing the word "protest". Immediately upon finishing, the protesting boat shall notify the Race Committee, giving the sail number(s) of the protesting and protested boat(s). This modifies RRS 61.1.

13 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top three overall finishers.

14 PARTICIPANTS' RESPONSIBILITIES

As a condition precedent to his or her participation in any race or series (including without limitation all activities relating thereto) sponsored or undertaken by the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club or the District 8, each participant agrees that the safety of the boat and its crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue a race is solely his or her responsibility, and each boat and each participant waives any and all claims, including without limitation any claim in respect of assistance given or not given, against Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club or the District 8, and their respective officers, directors, members, committees, employees, or agents, for any injury or damage resulting from such participation.

15 PERSONAL FLOATATION

PFDs must be worn at all times while racing.

APPENDIX A

Windward - Leeward
Start - 1 - 2 - Finish
A Twice Around Course means 2 Laps

Start - Finish

Start - Finish