2017 Laser 4.7 National Championship

Organizing Authority: ST PETERSBURG YACHT CLUB
11 Central Avenue
St. Petersburg, Florida
November 25-26, 2017

Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for Breaking Rules 42, will apply.
- 1.3 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.

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising will be restricted to Category A.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to Laser 4.7 competitors.
- 3.2 A minimum of 5 boats are required to constitute an event.

4. FEES AND ADVANCED ENTRY

- **4.1** Entry fees include two days of racing, trophies, two lunches, one dinner and 7% Florida Sales Tax. Online registration is available at www.spyc.org.
- **4.2** For sailors who register online on or before November 13, 2017, the entry fee is **US \$95**. For sailors registering online from November 14 until the close of registration on November 22nd at 5:00 PM, the entry fee is **US \$120**. THERE WILL BE NO ONSITE REGISTRATION.
- 4.3 Eligible sailors must enter by using the online registration at www.spyc.org.

5. SCHEDULE

Saturday, Nov 25th	0730 - 0830	Check in and Sailors' Breakfast (SPSC)
	0900	Skippers' meeting
	1015	First warning of the day
		Lunch on the water
	1830	Dinner hosted at St. Petersburg Yacht Club

Sunday, Nov 26th	0730 - 0830	Saílors' Breakfast (SPSC)
•	0930	First warning of the day
		Lunch on the water
	1400	No warning signal after this time
	After racing	Awards Ceremony at SPSC

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at registration.

7. VENUE

- 7.1 Boats will be launched from the St. Petersburg Sailing Center on Demen's Landing.
- 7.2 The racing area will be on Tampa Bay, east of downtown St Pete.

8. COURSES

Courses will be Windward-leeward.

9. SCORING

The Low-Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will be used, except that no score will be excluded unless five or more races have been completed. This changes RRS A2.

10. SAFETY

- 10.1 All competitors are required to wear US Coast Guard Approved lifejackets from dock to dock except, temporarily, when adding or removing clothing.
- 10.2 Parents/guardians are responsible for the safety of all sailors under the age of 18.

11. SUPPORT BOATS

- 11.1 All support boats, including coach boats, must register with the organizing authority.
- 11.2 Coaches may be required to display a coach flag while on the water. Other registered boats may be required to display a yellow flag. The organizing authority will supply these flags at check in.

12. LIABILITY

- 12.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.
- 12.2 Competitors must sign a liability waiver.
- 12.3 Parents/guardians of competitors under 18 must also sign their child's liability waiver.

13. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top 5 sailors overall as well as the to three females.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please call the St. Petersburg Yacht Club Coaches' office at (727) 822-3113 or e-mail: todd@spyc.org

LASER CHARTERS

Laser Performance, Coco Solvsig, coco.solvsig@laserperformance.com, 203 981 4985 Tackleshack Watersports, www.tshack.com, or contact Andy Levine at 1 800 537 6099 Sailfit Laser Charter's, www.sailfit.com, or contact Kurt Taulbee at 1866 sailfit.

LODGING

Please check the St. Petersburg Yacht Club web site,

http://www.spyc.org/club/scripts/public/public.asp?NS=PUBLIC for hotel and motel accommodations within walking distance of the Club and Sailing Center.

POWERBOAT RENTALS

Tierra Verde Boat Rentals, <u>www.tvboatrentals.com</u>, Tel. 727-867-0077 Reduced rates if you mention the St Petersburg Yacht Club.