Irish Laser Association

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Irish Laser Nationals (open)

Laser Standard and Radial Rig.

Championships 2020

Thursday 20th to Sunday 23rd August 2020.

Supported by CH Marine.

Royal Cork Yacht Club,

Crosshaven Co. Cork.

NOTICE OF RACE.

This event is subject to the Covid 19 guidelines as laid out by the Irish Government.All people associated with this event must comply with these conditions.These conditions are changing as the event approaches and will influence the running/organisation/cancellation of this event.

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Irish Laser National Championships will be organised by royal Cork Yacht Club in association with the Irish Laser Association.

1 RULES

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- **1.2** The prescriptions of Irish Sailing will apply.
- **1.3** Racing rules Race Signals AP, 33, 35, 40, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.1(a), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2, A4 and A5 will be changed. The changes will appear, in full, in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4 Rules of the Irish Laser Association will apply.
- **1.5** Appendix P will apply.
- **1.6** Boats shall use their correct sail numbers in accordance with ILCA rules and RRS Appendix G.
- **1.7** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

2 ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY AND FEES

- **2.1** Entry is open to boats of the Laser, Laser Radial.
- **2.2** Competitors shall be a member of the Irish or other National Laser Association.
- **2.3** Eligible boats may enter online at the discounted rate of € 110 until 31st of July 2020.
- **2.3** Late entries will be accepted online until 14th of August at the full rate of € 160.
- **2.4** Competitors who are minors shall ensure that their declaration form has been signed by a responsible adult at registration.

3 SCHEDULE

- **3.1** Registration: Wednesday 19th August 1500 to 2000 for those competitors who have entered and paid. Also on Thursday 20th August 0900 to 1030.
- 3.2 Briefing A virtual briefing will be posted on the Event Virtual Notice Board
- **3.3** Racing: Date Race Thursday 20th August Races 1, 2 and 3

| Friday | 21 st August | Races 4, 5 and 6 |
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| Saturday | 22 nd August | Races 7, 8 and 9 |
| Sunday | 23 rd August | Races 10 and 11 |

- **3.3** Eleven Races are scheduled.
- **3.4** The scheduled time of the first warning signal on Thursday 20th is 1155. The scheduled time of the first warning signal on the following days is 1055.

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration.

5 SAILING AREA

5.1 The Sailing Area will be Cork Harbour, confirmed at the briefing.

6 THE COURSES

6.1 The courses to be sailed will be in the sailing instructions.

7 PENALTY SYSTEM & ARBITRATION

7.1 The Exoneration Penalty and Arbitration Procedure in Appendix T will be available. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

8 SCORING

8.1 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

9 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- **9.1** Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This changes RRS 40. Wetsuits and drysuits are not considered to be adequate.
- 9.2 All boats shall have a painter(tow line) at least 7 metres in length, made fast to the bow.

10 PRIZES

10.1 Prizes will be given as follows: First, Second and Third in each class. Further Prizes may be awarded.

11 RISK STATEMENT

11.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone"

Sailing by its nature is an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

(a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

(b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

(c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

(f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

(g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

12 INSURANCE

12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid adequate third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

FURTHER INFORMATION

Royal Cork Yacht Club. Tel: 021 4831023 Email: <u>office@royalcork.com</u> Event Site: <u>https://www.royalcork.com/aib-laser-nationals-2020/</u>