



Irish Laser Masters Nationals Championships 2020

19th - 20th of September 2020

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NOTICE OF RACE

This event is subject to the Covid-19 guidelines as laid out by the Irish Government and in the Host Clubs Covid-19 event protocol document. 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 Master Championships will be organised by the Host 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 Standard and 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 rate of €50.00 until midnight on 11th of September 2020.
- 2.4** Entries will not be accepted after this date.
- 2.5** Entries will be capped at 50 boats.
- 2.6** Entry is restricted to sailors who have reached age 35 by September 19th, 2020. The following age categories will also apply, by reference to sailor age at the start of the regatta;
35 to 44 Laser Standard Apprentice or Laser Radial Apprentice

45 to 54 Laser Standard Master or Laser Radial Master
55 to 64 Laser Standard Grand Master or Laser Radial Grand Master
65 to 75 Laser Standard Great Grand Master or Laser Radial Great Grand Master
75 and over Laser Radial Legend

3 SCHEDULE

3.1 Briefing – Due to Covid-19 restrictions around social distancing, there will not be a physical briefing. Instead, competitors are asked to read the Sailing Instructions in full and pay attention to the event WhatsApp group and Host Club website where SI changes or supplementary instructions will be announced.

3.2 Racing: *Date* *Race*
Saturday 19th September Races 1, 2 and 3
Sunday 20th September Races 4, 5 and 6

3.3 Six Races are scheduled.

3.4 The scheduled time of the first warning signal on Saturday 19th is 11:55. The scheduled time of the first warning signal on the following day is 10:55.

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 The Standard Sailing Instructions for Provincial Championships will be available on the Irish laser association web site and on the Host Club's website. Any changes to or Supplementary Sailing Instructions will be announced on the event WhatsApp group and published on the Host Club's website.

5 SAILING AREA

5.1 The Sailing Area will be Dublin Bay, South of the Shipping Channel.

6 THE COURSES

6.1 The courses to be sailed will be Trapezoid or Old Olympic Triangle.

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 three 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. This changes RRS 40. Wetsuits and drysuits are not considered to be adequate

9.2 All boats shall have a painter 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 both Standard Rig and Radial Fleet. 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.

12 INSURANCE

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

13 PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

- 13.1** By entering the Regatta competitors and, where relevant, their parents/ guardians accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the racing and/or using the Regatta 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 competitor's name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

FURTHER INFORMATION

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