









Irish Laser National(open) Championships 2021

THURSDAY 19TH TO SUNDAY 22ND AUGUST 2021 Royal Cork Yacht Club



NOTICE OF RACE

Irish Laser Association

Irish Laser National(open) Laser Standard, Radial and 4.7 Rig. Championships 2021 Thursday 19th to Sunday 22nd August 2021. Royal Cork Yacht Club, Crosshaven Co. Cork.

The event will be organised by the Host Club in association with the Irish Laser Association.

The notation (DP) denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee; and(NP) denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

1. RULES

- **1.1** The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Racing rule(s) Signal AP, 33, 35, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2, A5.1, A5.2 will be changed. The changes will appear, in full, in the sailing instructions.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Standard Sailing Instructions will be available on the Irish Laser Association website. The Supplementary Sailing Instructions for this event will be available on the Event Virtual Notice Board.

3. COMMUNICATION

- **3.1** The Official Notice Board is located at the dingy centre but a closed WhatsApp group will also be in operation
- **3.2** [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the International Laser Class.
- 4.2 Helms shall be a member of the Irish or other National Laser Class Association.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and paying through www.laser-ireland.com
- Eligible boats may enter online at the discounted rate of €110 until 31st of July 2021.
- 4.5 Late entries will be accepted online until 13th of August 2021 at the full rate of € 160.
- **4.6** Event Entries will be limited to a total of 160 boats, entries in excess of this number will be at the discretion of the OA.
- **4.7** Competitors under the age of 18 shall ensure that their declaration form has been signed by a responsible adult and must be submitted at registration.
- **4.8** To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5. ADVERTISING

[DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

6. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Registration: Wednesday August 18th 2021 1500 to 1800 for Competitors who have entered and paid. Also on Thursday 19th August 2021 0900 to 1030.
- **7.2** Briefing A Virtual Briefing will be broadcast on the Vent Virtual Notice Board Thursday 19th August 2021.
- 7.3 Racing: Date Race Thursday Races 1, 2 & 3 Friday Races 4, 5 & 6 Saturday Races 7, 8 & 9 Sunday Races 10 & 11
- 7.4 Eleven Races are scheduled.
- 7.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal on Thursday 19th August 2021 is 1155. The scheduled time of the first warning signal on following race days is 1055.
- **7.6** No Warning signal will be made after 1500 on the last day of racing.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Equipment may be inspected at any time during the event.

9. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

- 9.1 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 9.2 All boats shall have a painter of at least 7 metres in length, made fast to the bow.

10.VENUE

The Sailing Area will be Cork Harbour and its environs.

11.COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be outlined in the event Sailing Instructions

12.PENALTY SYSTEM

- **12.1** Appendix T Arbitration shall apply to this event. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.
- 12.2 RRS Appendix P applies.
- 12.3 RRS P2.3 does not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it applies to any penalty after the first one.



13.SCORING

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

14.SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- **14.1** [DP] Shall register with the Organising Authority at registration and, if required, carry identification flags provided by the Organising Authority.
- 14.2 [DP] Support boats shall have an operating VHF marine radio and maintain a watch on the dedicated working channel in the event they are called by the Event Safety Officer to assist in the case of an emergency. [DP]
- 14.3 Support teams, including all support persons and support person vessels shall stay 150m outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- **14.4** When the engine of a support vessel is running, all support persons on that vessel, shall wear a personal flotation device and the support vessel driver shall use a kill cord.

15.CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

Does not apply.

16.BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.

17.HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

18.DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOL

Does not apply.

19.DATA PROTECTION

The data processing policy is available on the class website.

20.RISK STATEMENT

- 20.1 Rule 3 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.

20.2 [NP] [DP] COVID Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the venue/OA/sailing club COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

21.INSURANCE

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.

22. PRIZES

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

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

FURTHER INFORMATION

Royal Cork Yacht Club Tel: 021 4831023 Email: office@royalcork.com Event Site: www.royalcork.com/aib-laser-nationals-2021/

ACCOMMODATION

Camping, caravans and motorhomes – We have space on site - contact RCYC as soon as possible – available on a first come first served basis.

For information on Hotel and Bed and Breakfast Accommodation - contact: RCYC

