



Canadian Laser Championships

Laser, Laser Radial, Laser 4.7

August 10-13, 2017

20/07/2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

[DP] denotes a rule for which a penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee (see SI 15)

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The applicable prescriptions of Sail Canada are listed in Addendum B.
- 1.3 Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42 will apply except that Rule P2.3 will not apply and Rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 1.4 Arbitration will be offered in accordance with RRS Appendix T.

2 [NP] CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the notice boards located in the Portsmouth Olympic Harbour building. Notices concerning protest and redress hearings status and timing will be posted on the white board at the Jury desk. These notices may also be posted on line.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole located mid-harbour at Portsmouth Olympic Harbour. When a signal is displayed over a fleet or class flag it applies to that fleet or class only.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 5.3 [DP] Boats may NOT launch until flag D is displayed with one sound. The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after flag D is displayed.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1

Date	
Thursday, August 10	Registration/Sail inspection
Friday, August 11	Racing
Saturday, August 12	Racing
Sunday, August 13	Racing

6.2 Number of races:

Class	Number	Races per day
Laser Radial	9	3
Laser Standard	9	3
Laser 4.7	9	3

One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule.

6.3 For some classes the regatta may consist of a qualifying series and a final series. The decision will be made at the end of registration on Thursday, August 10.

6.4 After a long delay, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag may be displayed with one sound.

6.5 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1600.

7 CLASS/FLEET FLAGS

Class/fleet flags will be:

Class/Fleet	Flag
Laser Radial	"R" on contrasting background
Laser Standard	Laser Insignia
Laser 4.7	"4.7" on contrasting background

8 RACING AREAS

8.1 The racing areas will be in Kingston Harbour. A map of the course areas will be posted on the official notice board. Racing area flags and classes/fleets are assigned as follows:

Class/fleet	Racing Area	Racing Area Flag
Laser Radial	Charlie	Yellow Flag
Laser Standard		
Laser 4.7		

8.2 The signal boat will fly the Racing Area Flag when leaving harbour until shortly before the first warning signal when it will be replaced by the orange flag indicating the starting line. Failure of the Race Committee to comply will not be grounds for redress.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The diagram in Addendum A show the course, including the course designations, course signals, approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 In response to course conditions, the Race Committee may move one or the other gate mark without a signal.

9.3 Where there is a gate, if one of the gate marks is missing the remaining gate mark will be left to port.

9.4 The course to be sailed will be displayed prior to or with the class' Warning Signal by means of dark lettering on a white board displayed on the signal boat.

10 MARKS

10.1 Course marks will be inflatable tetras of the following colours.

Course	Course Marks	New Mark
Charlie	Orange Tetra	Red Tetra

10.2 For any subsequent change, the original colour will be used.

10.3 Start and finish flags, if located in a boat, include the boat.

11 THE START

11.1 The starting line will be on the course side of staffs displaying an orange flag on the RC signal vessel and on the starting mark.

11.2 A "mid-line" mark may be used to assist with the start. It is not a mark of the course and might not be positioned on the starting line.

11.3 *[DP]* *[NP]* When a start sequence is in progress, boats whose starting sequence has not commenced shall remain at least 50 metres below the starting line or its extensions.

11.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

Change marks under RRS 33 are given in instruction 10.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between staffs displaying an orange flags on an RC vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1 Time limits and target times in minutes are as follows:

Class	Mark 1 Time Limit	Target Time	Time Limit
Laser Radial	25	40	90
Laser Standard	25	40	90
Laser 4.7	25	40	90

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

14.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored the average of the remaining places. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

14.3 Prior to the expiration of the time limit of S14.2, the RC may award finishing places to boats which are delaying the start of the next race. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protests shall be in writing and delivered to the protest committee desk within the protest time limit. Protest forms will be available at the protest committee desk. The protest time limit will be posted on the official notice board by the protest committee and may be different for each class/fleet.

15.2 The protest time limit will be 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day, or the end of racing has been signalled, whichever is later. Protest notices will be posted on the protest board within 15 minutes of the expiry of the protest time limit. Protests will be heard at the protest committee office.

15.3 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted before the end of the protest time limit to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

15.4 On the last day of the qualifying series or the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision under RRS 62.2 shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted.

15.5 Penalties for breaches of sailing instructions marked *[DP]* or class rules, are at the discretion of the protest committee.

15.6 Breaches of sailing instructions marked *[NP]* will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

- 15.7 The race committee will post a list of penalties being assigned by the race committee prior to the end of protest time limit. The deadline for requesting redress based on these scores will be either 30 minutes after posting of the penalty notice or the protest time limit, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2.

16 ARBITRATION

- 16.1 Arbitration will be offered to the parties to a protest and will conform to RRS Appendix T. The arbitrator may be a member of the protest committee that hears the protest.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 17.2 A minimum of two races must be completed to constitute a regatta for each class.
- 17.3 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.4 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete an official scoring enquiry form available at the Jury desk.
- 17.5 Results will be posted on the notice boards and on line as soon as practicable.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 **[DP] [NP] Competitors will check-out and check-in strictly in accordance with check-in/check-out procedures.** All competitors are required to sign out before leaving for the race course and sign in immediately upon returning to harbour. The sign in – sign out sheets will be located on tables just outside the CORK office.
- 18.2 Failure to comply with SI 18.1 by the end of protest time shall result in a competitor having points equal to 10% of the fleet* rounded upwards to the nearest whole number added to their score without a hearing for the first violation, and 20% for the second violation. Additional alleged violations are subject to protest and, following a hearing, a penalty may include disqualification. This changes RRS 63.1, A3 and A5. Any boat so penalized may request redress under RRS 62.1 if the competitor believes the race committee made an error.
- * In the case where a class is split into approximately equal fleets for qualifying this refers to the largest of the fleets.
- 18.3 Competitors shall wear a life jacket or other adequate personal buoyancy securely fastened at all times when afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. Flag Y will not be flown. This changes the preamble to part 4 and RRS 40.
- 18.4 **[DP] [NP]** All boats shall return directly to the harbour after completing their last race of the day.
- 18.5 **[DP] [NP]** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19 REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

[DP] In the event of damage, boats and equipment may only be substituted with the written permission of the race committee. If the damage occurs less than 2 hours before the first scheduled start on a racing day, and before the start of the last race of the day, provisional verbal permission shall be obtained from the protest or race committee and the written permission of the race committee shall be requested before the end of the protest time limit at the end of the day in which the substitution takes place. Equipment Substitution Forms will be available at the protest committee desk.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a Race Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 20.2 A boat will register only one sail number and will have that number on the main sail. A boat which races with no number or a number other than the one registered with the organizing authority may be protested and subsequent disqualification from one or more races or such other penalty as may be assessed by the Jury.
- 20.3 For recording purposes, the organizing authority reserves the right to require numbers or letters on a sail to be adjusted, repaired, outlined in black or replaced.

21 ADVERTISING

[DP] [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the organizing authority.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows: The signal boat will display a red and white "RC" flag; patrol boats will display a distinctive yellow and red flag; and Jury boats will display a yellow flag with a black "J".

23 *[DP] [NP]* COACH/SUPPORT BOATS AND COACHES MEETING

- 23.1 There will be a coaches meeting every morning from 11-13 August at 0900. The objectives of these meetings are to coordinate the safety response, receive feedback from the coaches and support personnel on the regatta organization, exchange viewpoints and inform the coaches about changes in the sailing instructions and regatta organization in general.
- 23.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 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. All support and coach boats shall position themselves at least 50 meters below the start line and 50 meters beyond the lay-lines of the race course whilst racing is in progress, and shall move in such a fashion as to ensure their wake does not affect the boats racing.
- 23.3 Support and coach boats shall register with the organizing authority prior to the first scheduled race providing the names and sail numbers of the sailors they are supporting. Support boats shall be marked with a numbered identification flag. A deposit of \$20.00 will be required for the identification number.
- 23.4 If the protest committee receives a report of a support or coach boat violating any provision of SI 25, the protest committee may call a hearing to investigate the incident. The protest committee may report the incident to their yacht club and/or their national authority; bar their support or coach boats from the premises or penalize their competitors.
- 23.5 In general emergency situations, the signal boat will fly the yellow and red safety flag and all support and coach boats will come under the direction of the race committee.

24 *[NP]* HARBOUR AND SITE REGULATIONS

- 24.1 All boats shall be launched and hauled out as directed by the organizing authority. At the sole discretion of the organizing authority, dollies and trailers with protrusions may be prohibited from the launch area.
- 24.2 No boat, except those on assigned moorings, shall be left unattended in the water.
- 24.3 Automobiles and other vehicles must be parked only in accordance with Portsmouth Olympic Harbour, the City of Kingston and the organizing authority's regulations.
- 24.4 Camping is not permitted at Portsmouth Olympic Harbour.
- 24.5 Failure to follow these regulations by any competitor or the support personnel for that competitor may result in the rescinding of the entry for that competitor, or protest and subsequent disqualification from one or more races, or such other penalty as may be assessed by the Jury.

25 *[NP]* TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and Race Committee boats.

26 *[NP]* BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.

27 *[NP]* RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

28 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows: 4 entries = one, 5-10 entries = two, 11 or more entries = three. In classes where numbers warrant, other prizes may be given. Class trophies or prizes may be awarded in accordance with class association requirements.

29 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature 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 omission;
- 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 organizers 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.

30 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

ADDENDUM A

Course Illustrations:

Course	Description	
	Five mark trapezoid used by CORK	
	Possible courses	
	Signal	Mark Rounding Order
	I1	Start-1-2-3p-5-Finish
	I2	Start-1-4s/4p-1-2-3p-5-Finish
	I3	Start-1-4s/4p-1-4s/4p -1-2-3p-5-Finish
	O2	Start-1-2-3s/3p-2-3p-5-Finish
O3	Start-1-2-3s/3p-2-3s/3p -2-3p-5-Finish	

Windward/Leeward with Downwind finish	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
	<u>Long Courses</u>
L1	Start-1-Finish
L2	Start-1-2s/2p-1-Finish
L3	Start-1-2s/2p-1-2s/2p-1-Finish
	<u>Short Courses</u>
S1	Start-3-Finish
S2	Start-3-2s/2p-3-Finish
S3	Start-3-2s/2p-3-2s/2p-3-Finish

ADDENDUM B

Sail Canada Prescriptions 2017–2020

Effective 1 January 2017

Sail Canada prescribes:

Rule 46 – Person in Charge

Sail Canada prescribes that the designated person in charge, if resident in Canada, shall be a member of a club affiliated with Sail Canada.

Rule 61.2 – Protest Contents

Sail Canada prescribes that no fee shall be charged for delivering a protest or a request for redress.

Rule 64.3 – Decisions on Protests Concerning Class Rules (insert directly under the title to the rule)

Sail Canada prescribes that unless otherwise provided in its class rules, the Equipment Rules of Sailing shall apply to all classes racing in Canada.

Rule 67 – Damages

Sail Canada prescribes that a boat that has been found by a protest committee to have broken a rule and caused damage shall be considered at fault for the purposes of rule 67.

Rule 70.5(a) – Appeals and Requests to a National Authority

Sail Canada so prescribes.

Rule 86.3 – Changes to the Racing Rules

Sail Canada so prescribes.

Rule 88.2 – National Prescriptions

Sail Canada prescribes that the sailing instructions for events with an international jury or no-appeal protest committee may change or delete any Sail Canada prescription except the prescriptions to rule 61.2, 67 and 91(b). The sailing instructions for other events may not change or delete any Sail Canada prescription.

Rule 91(b) – Protest Committee

Sail Canada prescribes that a request for an international jury formed under rule N1.7 comprised of only three members requires written approval be obtained from Sail Canada before making the request to World Sailing.

Appendix E8 – Appendix G Changes to Identification on Sails (insert directly under title to the rule)

Sail Canada prescribes that this rule applies to Canadian boats in all classes.

Appendix R – Procedures for Appeals and Requests (insert after the preamble)

Sail Canada prescribes that it may delegate an appeal or request for confirmation or correction to an association appeals committee, such as a provincial association appeals committee or a racing association appeals committee. Decisions of an association appeals committee may be further appealed to Sail Canada.

Appendix R2.1(a) – Submission of Documents

Sail Canada prescribes that no later than 15 days after receiving the association appeals committee's written decision, the appellant may send a further appeal and a copy of the association appeals committee's decision to Sail Canada. The appeal shall state why the appellant believes the association appeals committee's decision or its procedures were incorrect.

Appendix R2.2 – Submission of Documents

Sail Canada prescribes that in the case of a further appeal to Sail Canada, this rule shall apply to the appellant as though it was an initial appeal, and to the appealed committee as though it was the protest committee.

Appendix R3 – Responsibilities of National Authority and Protest Committee

Sail Canada prescribes that when an appeal is delegated to an association appeals committee, the responsibilities and actions required of the national authority in this rule, and in rules R4, R5, 71.2 and 71.3, shall be performed by the association appeals committee.

When a decision of an association appeals committee is further appealed, Sail Canada shall send to the parties, protest committee and association appeals committee copies of the appeal. No member of the association appeals committee shall take any part in the discussion or decision on the appeal.

Appendix R4 – Comments and Clarifications

Sail Canada prescribes that when a decision of an association appeals committee is further appealed, the parties, protest committee and association appeals committee may make comments on the appeal. Comments on the appeal shall be made no later than 15 days after receiving it from Sail Canada. Sail Canada shall send copies of the comments to the parties, protest committee and association appeals committee as appropriate.