

# **2016 Alberta Sailing Association Provincial Regatta & Western Canadian Laser Masters Championship**

## **September 2-4, 2015**

### **Host: Calgary Yacht Club, Chestermere, AB**

# **Sailing Instructions**

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

[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* (RRS).
- 1.2. (NP) The Preamble to RRS Part 4 and RRS 40 is changed to require personal flotation devices (PFD's) to be worn at all times when afloat, except when changing clothing.

## **2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the exterior west side of the change room building.

## **3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 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.

## **4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole, west of the lower clubhouse.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3. (NP) When flag AP is displayed over flag H ashore, boats must stay on shore. This changes race signal AP over H.

## **5. SCHEDULE**

Date	Time	Event
Saturday, September 3	0900 1000	Competitors' Information Meeting Warning signal for first race of the day
Sunday, September 4	0930	Warning signal for first race of the day

On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1400.

## **6. CLASS FLAGS**

The class flags will be numeral pennants. The fleets and their associated class flags will be posted on the official notice board on September 3, 2016 at 0900.

## 7. RACING AREAS

Addendum A shows the location of the racing area.

## 8. COURSES

- 8.1. The diagram and table in addendum B show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2. On any course where a mark is shown as a gate, if there is only one mark in the place of a gate, boats shall leave it to port.

## 9. MARKS

- 9.1. Marks 1 & 2 will be yellow cylindrical marks.
- 9.2. The starting mark will be an orange spar buoy with an orange flag.
- 9.3. The finishing mark will be a yellow spar buoy with a yellow flag.
- 9.4. New marks, as provided in instruction 11, will be a red cylindrical mark.

## 10. THE START

- 10.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and the starting mark at the port end.
- 10.2. (NP)(DP)Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The starting area is defined as 50 meters from the starting line in all directions.
- 10.3. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start" without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.

## 11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When, in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. Any mark to be rounded after the new mark may be moved to maintain the course configuration without signalling.

## 12. THE FINISH

The finish line will be between the orange staff with an orange flag on the committee boat and the finishing mark.

## 13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

Class	Mark 1 Time limit	Target time	Time limit	Finish Window
All	30	45	90	20

- 13.1. If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.
- 13.2. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 13.3. Boats failing to finish within finish window after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5

## 14. PROTESTS, PENALTIES AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1. Penalties for breaches of Sailing Instructions marked (DP) and class rules are at the discretion of the Protest committee.
- 14.2. Penalties for breaches of Sailing Instructions marked (NP) will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 14.3. Protest forms are available at the notice board. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race officer or chief judge within the appropriate time limit.

- 14.4. For each fleet, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 14.5. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located downstairs in the club house.
- 14.6. Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.7. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

## **15. SCORING**

- 15.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.3. When from 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15.4. The North American Laser Masters' age adjusted scoring system will be used to determine the Western Canadian Laser Masters Championships. The results for the 2016 Western Canadian Masters Championships will be extracted from the overall Laser results and recalculated.

## **16. (NP) RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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.

## **17. PRIZES**

Prizes shall be awarded as follows:

- 1-3 boats in a fleet, 1st place shall be awarded;
- 4-6 boats in a fleet, 1st and 2nd places shall be awarded,
- 7+ boats in a fleet, 1st, 2nd and 3rd places shall be awarded
- 1st place in each Laser Master's age category

## **18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

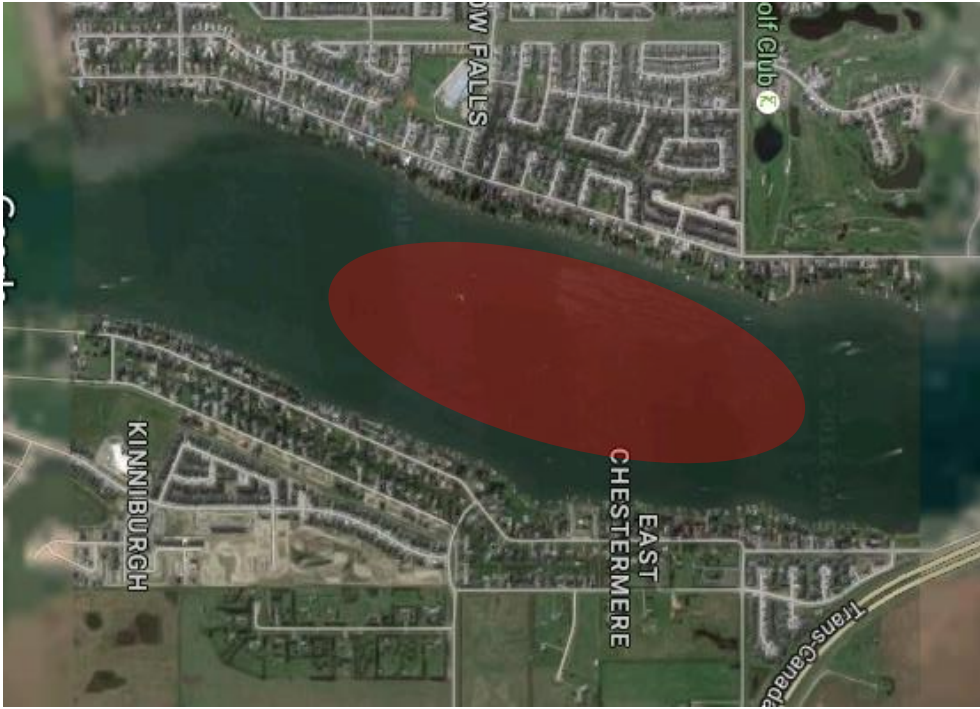
## **19. (NP) INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. The organizing authority does not accept any responsibility for verifying that a boat has valid third-party liability insurance.

## **20. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

In participating in an event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organizing Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in these events event in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the events without compensation.

## Addendum "A"



## Addendum "B"

