



Seattle Yacht Club

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Laser Pacific Coast Championship

June 4-5, 2011

Notice of Race

1 Rules

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing to the following rules shall apply: 34, 40, 48, 55, 60, 61.4, 63.2, 63.4, 64.3(b), 68, 70.5(a), 76.1, 76.3, 82, 86.3, 88.2, Appendix F, and G2. The text of these prescriptions is available from the US Sailing web site at www.ussailing.org.
- 1.3 Other changes to the rules may be noted elsewhere in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions. If the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions are in conflict, the Sailing Instructions shall have precedence.
- 1.4 Prior to the publication of the Sailing Instructions, changes to the Notice of Race will be available from the Seattle Yacht Club web site at www.seattleyachtclub.org or, if not available from the web site, on the notice board at the Seattle Yacht Club south entrance. After the publication of the Sailing Instructions, changes to the Notice of Race will be available on the official notice board described in the Sailing Instructions.

2 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 Classes to race are Laser, Laser Radial, and Laser 4.7 under the rules of the International Laser Class Association (ICLA).
- 2.2 Competitors must be members of their national Laser Class Association.
- 2.3 Competitors must register online at the Seattle Yacht Club web site at www.seattleyachtclub.org, or by form delivered to Seattle Yacht Club, and pay appropriate fees by the registration deadline. Registration after the deadline may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority and may require an additional late fee.
- 2.4 Competitors under 18 years of age must be registered by their parent or guardian and provide a completed and signed parent or guardian consent and declaration form before or during check in.
- 2.5 Competitors must present their sails to the race committee at check in for inspection of sail numbers and sail buttons for compliance with class rules.
- 2.6 Competitors with associated support boats (including support, coach, and spectator boats) must register these support boats before or during check-in and ensure the operation of these support boats as may be

required by the Sailing Instructions. Each support boat is required to carry a VHF radio.

- 2.7 All competitors must check in at the race office on Friday or Saturday morning before the first race. Competitors are advised to complete check in on Friday since opportunities for check in on Saturday may be limited.
- 2.8 A minimum of five entries are required to constitute a class. If a class is not formed the registration fee will be refunded.

3 Fees

- 3.1 The registration fee is \$90.
- 3.2 The registration deadline is June 1, 2011 (Wednesday). Late registrations may be assessed a late fee of \$20.
- 3.3 Registration includes an event souvenir and Saturday dinner for competitors. Additional event souvenirs will be available for \$15 and dinners for \$15, while supplies last.

4 Schedule

- 4.1 The schedule is as follows:

Friday (June 3)

1200 – 1300	Check in
1400	Practice races first warning
1600 – 1900	Check in

Saturday

0800 – 0900	Late check in
0900 – 0915	Skipper's meeting
1100	First warning signal
After racing	Dinner party hosted by local fleet

Sunday

1030	First warning signal
1530	No warning signal after this time
After racing	Awards party

5 Racing and Scoring Information

- 5.1 The racing area is Puget Sound in the vicinity of Shilshole Bay.
- 5.2 A target of four and up to five races may be sailed each day with a target time of 30 to 60 minutes for each race. One race will constitute a series. The course



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designations will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

- 5.3 No warning signal will be made after 1530 on Sunday.
- 5.4 RRS Appendix P will be in effect.
- 5.5 The time limit is the maximum allowable time from each boat's starting signal to her finish time. The time limit will be defined in the Sailing Instructions and will not exceed 90 minutes. Boats that do not finish within their time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35.

6 Responsibility

- 6.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

7 Sailing Instructions

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available by the Thursday before the race from the Seattle Yacht Club web site at www.seattleyachtclub.org (or, if not available from the web site, on the official notice board at the regatta site) and on Friday and Saturday at check in.

8 Social Activities and Awards

- 8.1 Party schedule after racing each day:

Friday	No host outing at a local establishment
Saturday	Dinner party hosted by the local fleet
Sunday	Awards party with light snacks and refreshments at the regatta site

- 8.2 Performance prizes will be awarded for the top five boats in each class. In addition, a participation prize will be randomly awarded to one member of each class at the evening party each day. Any additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

9 Logistics

- 9.1 The regatta will be held offshore of Shilshole Bay Marina (www.portseattle.org).

- 9.2 The race office will be located at or near Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle (www.cycseattle.org) at the north end of the marina.
- 9.3 Boat launching access is available at the small boat center at the north end of the marina.
- 9.4 Unsecured boat storage for the racing boats will be available on a first come first served basis on designated floats at the small boat center.
- 9.4 Parking for vehicles and upland storage for boats is limited at the marina. Whenever possible, participants should minimize the number of vehicles they bring to the area. The event will be renting a small unsecured lot at the marina near the boat launching area for priority use for upland boat storage and trailer parking.
- 9.5 For launching larger support boats, there are boat hoists and a ramp near the north end of the marina. Use of the hoists should be arranged through the marina and use of the ramp is open to the public and regulated by the City of Seattle.
- 9.6 Guest moorage for support boats may be arranged through the marina by contacting the marina at the time guest moorage is desired at 206-787-3006 or VHF 17. The marina may group boats associated with the regatta near the north side of dock W.

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