

IC257 - Reversal of Decision to Require Payment for Reserved Championship Places

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In IC245, sent 24th September 2008, we informed you that national Laser associations who wish to register allocated places without providing a sailor's name so declaring a late ranking date for a 2009 World Laser championship must make a non-refundable payment for each registered place in advance.

Following a discussion with a large group of national Laser association representatives, it was decided to change this approach. It was felt that it put too much financial strain on the national Laser associations as well as posing practical and administrative difficulties for the national Laser associations with regards to collecting the entry fees from the sailors. Therefore national Laser associations are now being asked to guarantee payment for the entry fees and charter boat fees they reserve, but are not required to make payment in advance.

All national Laser associations are still required to complete the form on the ILCA web site if they cannot rank their sailors by the published deadline and by completing this form each national Laser association guarantees payment for the reserved entry places and charter boats.

After the late ranking and subsequent entry and payment from the sailors, any places or charter boats reserved by a national Laser association that are not entered and paid for by the sailors will be invoiced to the national Laser association, payment will be required within 30 days. National Laser associations that fail to pay this invoice will not receive any places for future ILCA World Championships until the outstanding invoice has been paid.

All national Laser associations that have already declared late ranking and reserved allocated places will now not be invoiced for payment in advance for their reserved allocated places.

Example:

Your national Laser association has 4 allocated places for the World Laser Radial Men's Championship. Your national Laser association reserves 3 of its allocated places and 3 charter boats and sets a late ranking date of 1st April.

Your national Laser association ranks its sailors before 1st April and ILCA sends out place offer emails to the sailors by 1st April.

Scenario 1:

All 3 sailors complete registration and pay for their entry and charter boat, so no further payments are required by your national Laser association.

Scenario 2:

Only 2 sailors complete registration and pay for their entry and charter boat. The third sailor fails to pay for and complete his entry. If the place cannot be filled by another sailor from your district, then ILCA will issue an invoice to your national Laser association for this unused reserved place for the entry and charter boat fee, payment of which will be required within 30 days.

If you have any queries or would like to talk this through further please contact the ILCA office on +44 1326 315 064 or email office@laserinternational.org

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