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# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

for

## **2020-21 LASER QUEENSLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

from

**8 – 10 APRIL 2021**

### **DIVISIONS**

4.7s, Radials and Standard Rigs

### **CATEGORIES**

Junior, Youth, Under 21, Open and Masters

**Organizing Authority**  
Port Denison Sailing Club.

**On behalf of**  
The Queensland Laser Association Inc.

**Sponsored by**



## 1. RULES

- 1.1. The series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The AS Special Regulations Part 2 – Off the Beach Classes and AS Prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3. The Class Rules of the of the International Laser Class Association shall apply.
- 1.4. These Sailing Instructions shall supersede the Notice of Race.
- 1.5. RRS Appendix A (arbitration) shall apply.

## 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. All advertising will be in accordance with World Sailing Regulation.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

## 3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1. The regatta schedule is shown below:

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME
Thursday 8 April 2021	Registration	From 0900 - 1130
	Competitor's meeting	1145
	Race 1 Race 2	First Warning 1300 Races back to back
	Welcome nibbles	After sailing
Friday 9 April 2021	Races 3, 4 and 5 QLA AGM after sailing approx. 5:30pm BBQ dinner approx. 6:30pm Brett Bayer discussion	First Warning 1200 Races back to back
Saturday 10 April 2021	Races 6 and 7	First Warning 1100 Races back to back
	Presentation of prizes	ASAP after Sailing

No Warning Signal for any division will made after 1500hrs on Saturday 10 April 2021.

## 4. COURSE

- 4.1. The approximate location of the course shall be as shown in Attachment 1.
- 4.2. The course configuration shall be Trapezoid as shown in Attachment 2
- 4.3. The course to be sailed by each division will be displayed on the start boat

## 5. MARKS

- 5.1. The marks shall be as described in Attachment 2

## 6. START

- 6.1. The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
- 6.2. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 6.3. A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

## **7 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 7.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a change mark – refer to Attachment 2

## **8 FINISH**

- 8.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

## **9 CLASS FLAGS**

- 9.1. The Laser 4.7 class shall use a Yellow flag with a Laser insignia.
- 9.2. The Laser Radial class shall use a Green flag with a Laser insignia.
- 9.3. The Laser Standard class shall use a White flag with a Laser insignia.

## **10 TIME LIMITS**

- 10.1. The **target time** for all classes shall be 45 to 50 minutes.
- 10.2. The **finish window** for all classes shall be 15 minutes.

## **11 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 11.1. RRS Appendix P applies.
- 11.2. RRS P2.3 does not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it applies to any penalty after the first one

## **12 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 12.1. 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 1730 on the day before it will take effect.

## **13 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 13.1. All skippers shall SIGN ON before racing each day and SIGN OFF at the earliest possible time after the completion of racing.
- 13.2. The skipper of a boat that retires or does not intend to continue racing is required to SIGN OFF immediately on return to shore.
- 13.3. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 13.4. Failure to sign-on shall result in that boat being penalized three (3) points for the first race of the session (but not worse than DNF).
- 13.5. Failure to sign-off shall result in that boat being penalized three (3) points for the last race of the session (but not worse than DNF).
- 13.6. Penalties will be applied without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

## **14 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 14.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag staff located at the PDSC Clubhouse
- 14.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

## **15 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located outside the PDSC Clubhouse and may be communication via email, with changes to the schedule of races posted by 1700 hrs on the day before it shall take effect.

## **16 SCORING**

- 16.1. The Low Point scoring system (RRS Appendix A) shall apply.
- 16.2. Three (3) races are required to constitute a series.
- 16.3. When up to four (4) races are completed, a boats series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 16.4. Once five (5) races have been completed, a boats series score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.
- 16.5. Competitors' results will be shown in an overall format in their separate divisions, with age category awards being extracted from the overall results.

## **17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 17.1. Protest forms are available at the PDSC. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.2. For each class, the protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 17.3. Notices will be posted no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings shall be held in the protest room specified on the notice, beginning at the time posted.
- 17.4. Notices of protests by the race committee shall be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 17.5. Breaches of instructions 6.2 and RRS 55 shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat.
- 17.6. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 17.7. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered.
  - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - (b) no later than thirty (30) minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 17.8. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than thirty (30) minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 17.9. RRS Appendix T (arbitration) shall apply.

## **18 SUPPORT BOATS**

- 18.1. Coaches supporting athletes at the Championship shall register with the Organising Authority at PDSC Clubhouse prior to the commencement of racing at no cost. Launching facilities are close by at the marina, see Attachment 1. If you require an overnight marina berth, contact Gary Bruce for arrangements, number below. Alternately, coach boats on trailers can be stored overnight in the carpark at PDSC.
- 18.2. Registered coach boats can communicate with athletes according to racing rules and have access to race course outside of 100m of any competitor or mark between start signal and finish of last boat, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

## **19 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.

## **20 DISCLAIMER OF ENTRY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

## **21 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10million per event or equivalent.

## **22 FURTHER INFORMATION**

PDSC Commodore : Gary Bruce - [portdenisonsc@gmail.com](mailto:portdenisonsc@gmail.com) or 0439 732 931

QLA Chairperson : Michael Wilson – [wilsomichael58@gmail.com](mailto:wilsomichael58@gmail.com) or 0417 758 859

**Attachment 1 – Course Location**



## Attachment 2

Code	Course	Mark Description
O1	Start,1,2,3P,5,finish	Start pin Yellow Buoy Mark 1 Red Buoy
O2	Start,1,2,3S/3P,2,3p.5,Finish	Mark 1A Orange teardrop Mark2 Orange Buoy Gates3S,3P,4S,.4P Yellow pencil marks Mark 5 Red Buoy
I2	Start,1,1A,4S/4P,1,2,3P,5,Finish	Finish pin Yellow Buoy Change Mark Red with Black strip

