



## NOTICE of RACE

### 2010 AUSTRALIAN LASER CHAMPIONSHIPS

27 December 2009 to 04 January 2010

#### Incorporating

*2010 AUSTRALIAN LASER CHAMPIONSHIP*

*2010 AUSTRALIAN LASER RADIAL CHAMPIONSHIP*

*2010 AUSTRALIAN LASER RADIAL WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP*

*2010 AUSTRALIAN LASER MASTERS' CHAMPIONSHIP*

*2010 AUSTRALIAN LASER 4.7 CHAMPIONSHIP*

#### ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority is the Adelaide Sailing Club Inc. (ASC) in conjunction with the South Australian Laser Association Inc. (SALA) and the Australian Laser Class Association Inc. (ALCA).

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Championships will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012.
- 1.2 Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 2 *Off the Beach Boats* will apply. It will be the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that personal flotation devices comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in Regulation 5.01 *Personal Flotation Devices*.
- 1.3 Sails shall have the full sail number in accordance with the Class Rules and RRS.

#### 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by any boat, if it is considered offensive to public taste or if it contravenes the laws of the governments of South Australia or Australia.
- 2.2 Competitors may be required to display Event sponsor's names(s)/logo(s) and affix bow numbers to boats. If required, the Organizing Authority will supply these items and they shall be affixed as prescribed in the Sailing Instructions. Sponsor's bibs or similar may also be supplied.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 All competitors shall be financial members of a district of the International Laser Class Association (ILCA) and of a yacht or sailing club affiliated with ISAF.
- 3.2 Proof of age shall be required for entrants in any of the age related divisions.
- 3.3 Eligibility for age group divisions in the Masters' Championships shall be the competitor's age at 31 December 2009.
- 3.4 Eligibility for age group divisions in the Youth division shall be the competitor's age as at 31st December 2010. Youth is defined as being under 19 years of age at 31st December 2010.
- 3.5 Each sailor shall be registered as an ISAF Sailor. This information is required to enter the Championship. To register as an ISAF sailor go to: <http://www.isaf.org/isafsailor.php>

#### 4. ENTRIES

- 4.1 Entries may be lodged via the Regatta web site at [www.adelaidesailingclub.com.au](http://www.adelaidesailingclub.com.au), before 1700hrs (CSST) on 1st December 2009 accompanied by the required entry fee (see Clause 5).
- 4.2 Late entries will only be accepted via the Regatta web site up to 1300 hours, 26 December 2009 accompanied by the required Entry Fee and Late Fee.
- 4.3 At the discretion of the Organizing Authority, late entries may be accepted (in person only) at the Regatta Office, ASC between 0900 hrs and 1430 hrs on 27th December 2009.
- 4.4 All boats shall complete registration with the Organizing Authority at the times specified in clause 7.
- 4.5 The Organizing Authority will not refund Entry or Late Fees in any circumstances. Entries will not be valid until applicable payment has been received by the Organizing Authority.

#### 5. FEES

- 5.1 The Entry Fee for all classes and divisions (and which includes one ticket to the welcome and presentation functions) is \$250.00.
- 5.2 The Late Fee is an additional \$100.00 *with no exceptions*.

#### 6. CLASSES, DIVISIONS AND RACING FORMAT

- 6.1 Racing will be conducted in three (3) Classes as follows:
  - Laser Standard;
  - Laser Radial; and
  - Laser 4.7,
- 6.2 Divisions within each Class will include Youth, Masters and Women's, provided a minimum of 5 entries are received for the Division.
- 6.3 Fleets within each Class shall be that combination of boats as nominated by the Organizing Authority.
- 6.4 Depending on the number of entries, Classes may be sailed as (a) a normal series or, (b) a qualifying and final series.
- 6.5 For a qualifying and final series format, competitors will sail; • 4 days (29th December 2009 to 2nd January 2010) of qualifying races; and 2 days (3rd to 4th January 2010) of finals races. The Organizing Authority may require Fleets to race each day in 2 separate colour groups. These groups will be changed for each day of qualifying races. After completion of the qualifying races, the Fleets will be seeded into Gold and Silver Fleets. Seeding for Gold and Silver Fleets will be based on standings after discard (if any) at the conclusion of racing on 2nd January 2010. Any discard shall be a boat's worst excludable score.

#### 7. PROGRAM

- 7.1 Schedule of Events:

Sunday 27 Dec 2009	Registration and Measurement	0800 - 1700
	Welcome Night	1900
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2009	Competitors Meeting	1100
	Practice Race	1400 Warning Signal
Tuesday 29 Dec 2009	Races 1, 2	1330 First Warning Signal
Wednesday 30 Dec 2009	ALCA Annual General Meeting	0930
	Races 3, 4	1330 First Warning Signal
Thursday 31 Dec 2009	Races 5, 6	1330 First Warning Signal
	New Year's Eve Function	1930
Friday 1 Jan 2010	Lay-day	
Saturday 2 Jan 2010	Races 7, 8	1330 First Warning Signal
Sunday 3 Jan 2010	Races 9,10	1330 First Warning Signal
Monday 4 Jan 2010	Races 11, 12	1030 First Warning Signal
	Presentation	1930
- 7.2 Two races per day are planned. Additional races may be sailed on any day provided that no fleet becomes more than one race ahead of schedule.
- 7.3 The Race Committee may elect to change the start time of the following day's racing based on weather forecasts and the various fleet requirements. A notice advising of any such change will be posted no later than 1830 on the preceding race day.

## 8. MEASUREMENT

- 8.1 All boats and equipment shall be presented to the official measurers for scrutiny and approval during the times specified in clause 7.1.
- 8.2 For the duration of the regatta, each competitor shall use only one hull, sail, mast, boom, centreboard and rudder, each of which shall be identified and stamped or otherwise marked by the official measurer during measurement. Such equipment may only be replaced as allowed by and in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
- 8.3 The boats of female competitors shall display a red diamond on their sail in accordance with ILCA Women's Policy.

## 9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 Sailing Instructions will be available when registering at the Regatta Office at the ASC and may be available earlier on the Regatta Website.

## 10. REGATTA SITE AND RACING AREA

- 10.1. The regatta site shall be the Adelaide Sailing Club and the racing area shall be in St Vincents Gulf in the proximity of the club. Maps and Charts of the area and waters will be available on the regatta website.
- 10.2 The Regatta Office and Regatta Notice-board will be located adjacent to the Club on the Northern side.

## 11. COURSES

- 11.1 The courses shall be trapezoid, as described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 Appendix P as modified by the Sailing Instructions shall apply.
- 12.2 Application for the appointment of a National Jury has been made. The right of appeal shall be denied in accordance with rule 70.5 and the National prescriptions thereto.

## 13. MEDIATION

- 13.1 Mediation may be used for potential breaches of rules of RRS part 2.
- 13.2 Through mediation a boat may take a scoring penalty of 20% of the fleet size in that race.

## 14. SCORING

- 14.1 The Low Point scoring system (RRS Appendix A) shall apply.

### 14.2 Normal Series

Twelve (12) races are scheduled. Six (6) races are required to constitute a series with the following discard provisions:

Races Completed	Discards
≤ 6	0
7 - 10	1
11-12	2

### 14.3 Qualifying and Final Series

Twelve (12) races are scheduled. 8 races are planned for the Qualifying series and 4 races for the Final series. A total of Six (6) races is required to constitute a series with the following discard provisions:

Qualifying Races	Races Completed	Discards
	≤ 5	0
	6-8	1
Final Races	Races Completed	Discards
	≤ 2	0
	3 -4	+ 1

When a Class sails a Qualifying and Final Series, the Gold and Silver Fleets (as determined at Clause 6.6) will be scored separately based on the sum of each boat's scores (after discards) in both qualifying and final races.

- 14.4 Except as modified by the Sailing Instructions, all Division prizes will be awarded based on the ranking of competitors in the over-all results of the applicable Class.

## **15. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 15.1 Team leaders, coaches, and other support personnel shall not be in the racing area, which is defined as within 100 metres of a competitor or a mark of the course. This will apply from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished that race, or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, except in the case of an emergency when asked to assist by the Race Officer. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be disqualification of all boats associated with the support personnel who infringe.
- 15.2 All support boats shall register at the Regatta Office as set out in clause 7 and display a white numbered flag (supplied by the Organizing Authority).

## **16. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 16.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. Mobile phones or similar devices are prohibited.

## **17. PRIZES**

- 17.1 Laser Class Cubes and prizes shall be awarded in accordance with the ILCA bylaws. However, the number of prizes allocated in any division shall depend on the number of entries. A minimum of five (5) entries is required to constitute a Division.
- 17.2 Only Australian residents shall be eligible for Laser Class Cubes and Perpetual Trophies. An Australian resident is one who meets all eligibility requirements for residency and who reasonably satisfies the Organizing Authority of their long term residency of at least one year.
- 17.3 Perpetual Trophies will be awarded in accordance with ALCA policy.
- 17.4 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

## **18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. None of The Organizing Authority, the SALA, ALCA or ASC will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **19. INSURANCE**

- 19.1 All competitors must have a valid Third Party Insurance Policy with a minimum cover of AUD\$5,000,000 whilst racing. Signing the Entry and Declaration Form confirms currency of this insurance.

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

- 20.1 In participating in the regatta, a competitor automatically grants the Organizing Authority and the sponsors of the regatta, 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 film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said regatta in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said regatta without compensation.

## **21. CHANGES TO NOTICE OF RACE**

- 21.1 Any changes to this Notice of Race will be published on the Regatta Web Site [www.adelaidesailingclub.com.au](http://www.adelaidesailingclub.com.au) no later than 30th November 2009.

## **22. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 22.1 For further information, please contact::
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| Adelaide Sailing | Web site: <a href="http://www.adelaidesailingclub.com.au">www.adelaidesailingclub.com.au</a> |
|                  | Phone: 08 82943232   |
|                  | Email: <a href="mailto:mail@adelaidesailingclub.com.au">mail@adelaidesailingclub.com.au</a>  |
| SA Laser         | Web site <a href="http://www.salaser.com">www.salaser.com</a>                                |
|                  | Email: <a href="mailto:salaser@adam.com.au">salaser@adam.com.au</a>                          |

## **23. CHARTER BOATS**

- 23.1 Charter boats will not be provided by the Organizing Authority, but may be available from a range of independent providers. Further information may be obtained from the event web site: