

Atlanta Yacht Club Laser/Opti Super Saturday Regatta Organizing Authority Atlanta Yacht Club & Laser Fleet 116 Saturday, March 9, 2024

Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing For 2021-2024.*

2. Notice To Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located across from the fish pond.

3. Changes In Sailing Instructions

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 10:45 on the day it will take effect, except 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 Race Committee Signal Boat alongside the dock.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in the Signal AP.

5. Schedule of Races

Skipper's Meeting 1100 First Race Warning Signal 1157 Goal is to complete 6 races No warning signal will be made after 1600

6. Class Flags

ILCA 7 (Standard rig) white flag ILCA 6 (Radial rig) green flag ILCA 4 (4.7 rig) yellow flag Opti Class Flag or red Flag

7. The Courses

- 7.1 The diagrams show the courses, the order in which the marks are to be rounded or passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.2 The identifying letter(s) of the course will be displayed on the Signal Boat
- 7.3 The order of Fleets starting will be displayed on the Signal Boat

8. Marks

- 8.1 For Lasers/ILCA Rounding Marks 1, 2 & 3 and Gate Marks will be yellow Tetrahedrons. New Rounding Marks when used in accordance with SI 10.1, Change of Course, will be yellow Tetrahedrons with a black band.
- 8.2 For Opti's, Rounding Mark 1 may be a red ball. The Race Committee will verbally inform all Opti's prior to the warning signal if this is the case. New Rounding Marks when used in accordance with SI 10.1., Change of Course, will be a white ball.

- 8.3 In the absence of one gate mark, boats shall round the remaining gate mark to port.
- 8.4 The starting and finishing marks will be a Race Committee boat with an orange flag (for starts), blue flag (for finishes) and a nearby orange cylinder.

The Start

- 9.1 Appendix U, the three-minute audible start, will apply.
- 9.2 If a sufficient number of Radial and/or 4.7 rig boats are competing to constitute a separate fleet from the Full rig Lasers, the Race Committee may separately start the classes. The Race Committee will hail competitors and may use one or more class flags at the warning signal to signify the separate starts.
- 9.3 A Boat starting more than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing This is added to RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 9.4 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Boat and the course side of a nearby orange cylinder.
- 9.5 The Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the untimely hail of some or all OCS boats, or failure to hail any or all boats shall not be grounds for granting redress. This is added to RRS 62.1(a).

10. Change of the next leg of the course

- 10.1 To change the next leg of the course the Race Committee will lay a Black-banded Mark (or white for Opti's), or move the finishing line and remove the original Mark as soon as practical. When in a subsequent change a black-banded mark or white ball is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 10.2 When Flag C, S, or N is displayed with a green Flag, or placard it applies only to the Laser / ILCA Classes.
- 10.3 When Flag C, S, or N is displayed with a red Flag, or placard it applies only to the Opti Class.

11. The Finish

The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee Boat and the course side of a nearby orange cylinder.

12. Penalty System

12.1 RRS Appendix V, Alternate Penalties, will apply.

13. Time Limit

13.1 The time limit for the first boat to reach the first Mark is 30 minutes and 90 minutes to finish. If no boat has passed the first Mark in time the race shall be abandoned.

- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat of its class will be scored one more than the number of finishers. This changes rule 35 and A4.
- 13.3 If a boat in last place in a race may delay the start of another race, the race committee may score that boat in the place she would have finished and terminate the race. This changes rule 35, A4, and A5.
- 13.4 No warning signal will be made after 1600.

14. Using Practice Sails

- 14.1 The use of "Non-Class Sails" (NCS) for the Laser racing shall not be subject to a protest or a request for redress by a boat or the race committee. This is added to rules 60.1, 60.2, 78.1, 78.2.
- 14.2 The NCS must be one of the following: Full rig, Radial rig, or 4.7 rig.
- 14.3 The NCS when measured shall meet the sail dimensions provided by the International Laser Class Rules

15. Protests and Request for Redress

- 15.1 A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the Race Committee Finish Boat of her intention and receive acknowledgement. This is in addition to Rule 61.1(a)
- 15.2 Protest forms are available on the Signal Boat and protests will be delivered there no later than 30 minutes after docking time.

16. Scoring

- 16.1 All races will be scored
- 16.2 Six races are scheduled, one must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 16.3 Rule A5.3 applies.

17. Safety Regulations

- 17.1[DP] Rule 40.1 will apply. All competitors shall wear, while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing, a U.S. Coast Guard (or Canadian) approved PFD.
- 17.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. '[DP]' means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

18. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

Course Diagrams

