

The Laser Class Series 2021

Agreement for the organization and execution of a Laser Class Series Event
between
The Laser Class Association, Obere Postmatte 2, 6462 Seedorf, Switzerland
("TLC")
and
Club Name
("Organizer")

Thank you for agreeing to be the organizer of a The Laser Class (TLC) Series event under the TLC Terms and Conditions set out below. Please note you must sign this agreement at the bottom and return it to TLC (secretary@thelaserclass.com) to confirm your acceptance to organize the regatta in accordance with these terms.

1 Important Documents

Notice of Race

- 1.1 The Notice of Race (NOR) is displayed on the Organizers & TLC web site. Changes to the Notice of Race (NOR) must be approved by The Laser Class in advance of publication
- 1.2 All official changes will be posted on the organizers and The Laser Class website respectively
- 1.3 In the case that the TLC Series regatta is organized as a combined event with other classes, the Notice of Race should be class specific.
- 1.4 The NOR must be published in English. In the event of an interpretation of the NOR in another language, the English version will prevail.

Sailing Instructions

- 1.5 Standard International Sailing Instructions are mandatory. These sailing instructions are based on the current World Sailing standards that must be adhered to.
- 1.6 Changes to the standard sailing instructions outlined in 1.4 & 1.5 require prior approval of The Laser Class and/or the TLC Events Coordinator. Requests for changes to the Sailing Instructions must be submitted to the TLC Events Coordinator at least 30 days prior the start of the event.
- 1.7 The Sailing Instructions must be published in English. In the event of an interpretation of the NOR in another language, the English version will prevail.

2 Website Requirements

The Laser Class requires the Organizer to publish the details of a TLC Event on their website. The details contained in The Laser Class Regatta Checklist document (separate document) should be included where applicable. A dedicated web page on the Organizers website should include up-to-date information on the event, including, but not limited to the following;

- 2.1 A dedicated link to the Event from the Home page of the Organizer to the dedicated web page on the Organizers website. This link should be visible at the latest 120 days prior to the Event.
- 2.2 The publication of the NOR in English (including entry fee, and local attachments to the NOR) no later than 60 days prior to the Event
- 2.3 The Sailing Instructions in English no later than 30 days prior to the Event.
- 2.4 Site information: the Organizer club address, maps and driving directions 120 days prior to the Event
- 2.5 A list of relevant contacts
- 2.6 A list of relevant local information links: accommodation, campsites, weather forecasts, etc
- 2.7 A complete set of results in the various race categories and age groups. These lists should be uploaded no later than 2 hours after the last race has been completed at the end of every race day.
- 2.8 Photos and video footage from the days/events event
- 2.9 Daily information pertaining to news surrounding the event

3 Age eligibility

Event entrants will be categorized according to the following age groups. Entrants must reach this age group during the year that the Event is held:

Age Group	Masters Category
Up to 19	Laser Standard Youth
	Laser Radial Youth
	Laser 4.7 Youth
20 to 34	Laser Standard Senior
	Laser Radial Senior
	Laser 4.7 Senior (Women only)
35 to 44	Laser Standard Apprentice Master
	Laser Radial Apprentice Master
	Laser 4.7 Apprentice Master (Women only)
45 to 54	Laser Standard Master
	Laser Radial Master
	Laser 4.7 Master (Women only)
55 to 64	Laser Standard Grand Master
	Laser Radial Grand Master
	Laser 4.7 Grand Master (Women only)
65 to 74	Laser Radial Great Grand Master
	Laser 4.7 Great Grand Master (Women only)
75 and over	Laser Radial Legend

4 Registration

Registration is open to everyone regardless of age or gender. Where there is a limitation in the number of boats for an Event, TLC members will be given priority. Non-members registering for an Event will be charged an additional fee. This fee will include their automatic Membership of The Laser Class Association until the next subscription year of the Class. The registration requirements are therefore as follows:

- 4.1 Entrants registering for an Event on the TLC Website must be a member of The Laser Class.
- 4.2 Entrants that are not members of the TLC will automatically become members of the Class upon payment of their Event Fee and membership fee until the next subscription year.
- 4.3 All Event registrations and payments will take place on the TLC website. The Organizer is obliged to link the Event information to this page.
- 4.4 All Entrants to any TLC Event are at the sole discretion of The Laser Class

5 Measurement & Inspection

To ensure and maintain the original Laser One-Design sailing ethos, The Laser Class, Event Coordinators or Officers of the Organizer venue reserve the right, at the discretion of the Class, to the following:

- 5.1 A check of all sailing equipment by the Class that includes TLC Class legal equipment such as; Hull plaques, sail numbers and country identifiers, sail buttons (seals) as set out in the NOR or Sailing Instructions.
- 5.2 The Organizer should ensure that a third party provider of spare Laser sailing equipment (Sails, Masts etc) is on site during the Event to service the entrants.

6 Race Format

The race format may vary from Event to Event, however, unless stated in the NOR, The Laser Class standard race format will be as follows:

- 6.1 Should there be less than 60 entrants for an Event in all 3 sail sizes (Laser, Laser Radial or Laser 4.7), then the entire fleet will not be split.
- 6.2 If there are between 60 and 110 entrants in all 3 sail sizes (Laser, Laser Radial or Laser 4.7), then The Laser Class can decide together with the Organizers to split the fleet.
- 6.3 If there are more than 110 entrants to an Event, the fleet will be split.
- 6.4 Should fleets be split then results will be based on a "round-robin" calculation and there will be no finals races.
- 6.5 Fleet splits will be structured into 4 colour groups sailing in fleets of two groups. Entrants will remain for the duration of the Event within their colour groups.
- 6.6 With 5 or more entrants radial and 4.7 sail sizes will be accorded a separate start

7 Number of Races

The Laser Class will determine the number of races sailed taking into account the weather conditions:

- 7.1 One (1) race must be completed to validate the regatta and the results.
- 7.2 A maximum of eight (8) races can be sailed with a maximum of three (3) races per day.
- 7.3 The number of races held on each day will take into account the weather conditions (wind strength & wave size). In difficult conditions (wind strength > 25 Knots) the number of races can be reduced. Races should be held with an average wind speed of five (5) to twenty-five (25) knots.
- 7.4 The target time for any one race is fifty (50) minutes per race. Race course should be shortened/lengthened to account for a change in conditions during the day
- 7.5 The decision of The Laser Class representative and/or event coordinator is final.

8 Rescue Boats

The safety of the entrants to an Event is of utmost important to The Laser Class. Therefore The Laser Class recommends the following for the Organizer venue:

- 8.1 A minimum of one race organization boat for every ten (10) entrants that is on the water at any one time. This includes jury boats and other safety boats.
- 8.2 In the event of challenging weather conditions (strong winds and difficult sailing conditions) The Laser Class recommends allowing smaller number of entrants to race at any one time so as to ensure the safety of the entrants.
- 8.3 The Organizer must ensure that all rescue boats stated in §8.1 remain on the water and within the race area until such time as the race area has been cleared of entrants
- 8.4 The Organizer must ensure that a “ticket out” and “ticket in” system is in place to guarantee that all entrants return to dry land. This can take the form of a name card that is collected prior to sailing by the Organizer.
- 8.5 Coaching boats are not permitted at TLC Events

9 Scoring

The Organizer should have all the relevant scoring software to ensure a smooth publication and printing of results at the end of each day:

- 9.1 Each days scores should be sent to the following e-mail address no later than 2 hours after the days races to E-mail: secretary@TheLasercClass.com
- 9.2 No-show entrants that have not completed their registration directly in person at the Organizer venue on the times given in the NOR will not be listed as part of the Event.
- 9.3 Entrants that participate after the first days races as a late entrant will not be listed in the scoring
- 9.4 Results will be posted as per §2.7

10 Media

It is important to The Laser Class and the Organizer that they collectively receive good media (images and video content) coverage of the event. Therefore TLC would like to receive any media content that is royalty free for use on its website. The Laser Class will name the person/s as the rights holders of the media on its site or when sending a newsletter to its members and partners.

Prior to the Event the following media could be:

- 10.1 About the sailing club venue, the history of the venue, the surrounding attractions, etc.
- 10.2 Information regarding the upcoming social activities during the Event
- 10.3 Information regarding event sponsors, charter boats and services during the Event

During the event we would like to report with up-to-date news. This could be, but not limited to the following information:

- 10.4 Photos & Videos from on and off the water during the days activities
- 10.5 Social media commentaries to share
- 10.6 The days racing results

11 Prizes

Each regatta will be scored separately for the Laser Standard, Laser Radial and Laser 4.7 using the Low Point System. Prizes will be as follows, subject to change in the notice of race:

Laser 4.7

Laser 4.7 Women Overall

Laser Radial Fleet:

Laser Apprentice Radial Men (35 to 44 years)

Laser Apprentice Radial Women (35 to 44 years)

Laser Master Radial Men (45 to 54 years)

Laser Master Radial Women (45 to 54 years)

Laser Grand Master Radial Men (55 to 64 years)

Laser Grand Master Radial Women (55 to 64 years)

Laser Great Grand Master Radial Men (from 65 to 74)

Laser Great Grand Master Radial Women (from 65 to 74)

Standard Fleet:

Laser Apprentice Standard (35 to 44 years)

Laser Master Standard (45 to 54 years)

Laser Grand Master Standard (55 to 64 years)

Laser Legend 75 and over

12 Registration Fees

- 12.1 The total registration fee for each entrant will be negotiated between TLC and the Organizer prior to publishing the documents and opening the registration for an Event. The registration fee will take into account a fee levied by TLC as an administration charge per entrant.
- 12.2 The registration fees for the Event will be paid directly to TLC in full by the entrant to secure their place in the regatta.
- 12.3 Post the Event, the Organizer will raise an invoice for the number of entrants that have sailed in one or more races during an Event.
- 12.4 The Organizer invoice will be paid by The Laser Class no later than 10 days after the end of the Event.

To confirm you have read and agree to all of the above please sign and email a copy of this letter back to TLC secretary: (secretary@thelaserclass.com)

For and on behalf of
THE LASER CLASS ASSOCIATION

Name:

Read and Agreed:

Date _____

For and on behalf of the
Club Name

Name:

Signature
