



## Notice of Race (NOR)

- The Laser Class European Event Series 2021-

Organised by [insert Club Name] under the auspices of the [insert National Authority]

[Dates]

[Location, Country]

### 1. Rules

- 1.1 Each regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the “The Racing Rules of Sailing (“RRS”) set out by World Sailing and supersedes any National Authority guidelines.
- 1.2 Sails shall be marked with the relevant 3-letter National country code and the full boat number in accordance with The Laser Class byelaws and the RRS.
- 1.3 Appendix T of the RRS will be used to resolve any disputes. For interpretation of the RRS the English text will take precedence. Protest hearings will be heard in English.
- 1.4 Every sailor shall have the requisite sailing license and sailing skills required for participation in this sailing regatta
- 1.5 This Notice of Race may be subject to amendments which will be identified in the Notice of Race addendum and noted on the TLC website and posted by the organizer. Additional information will be published by The Laser Class on its website or by the host sailing club/venue

### 2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after [Dates] from [Time] CET.
- 2.2 Sailing instructions will consist of the instructions found in Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and the supplementary sailing instructions that will be available at the race offices and published on the TLC website prior to the event at the latest on the [Date] at 23:59 CET hrs.

### 3. Communication

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at [URL].
- 3.2 A boat shall neither make radio communication while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## 4. Eligibility & Entry

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Laser Class(es) with 4.7, Radial & Standard rigs. A list of eligible class hull plaques is listed in the TLC Class rules.
- 4.2 The minimum age requirement is twelve (12) years on or before the date of the regatta.
- 4.3 Only current members of The Laser Class ("TLC") are eligible to register for the regatta. All registrations must be made directly on the class website:  
[www.thelaserclass.com/events/](http://www.thelaserclass.com/events/)
- 4.4 Non-members at the time of registration can automatically register electronically as a member of TLC by using the dedicated membership form:  
[www.thelaserclass.com/registration/](http://www.thelaserclass.com/registration/)
- 4.5 Registered entrants must have completed their registration by signing in to the organizers at the venue. Entrants failing to do so will be neither listed nor scored in the event.

## 5. Entry Fees

- 5.1 The entry fee for 4.7, Radial and Standard rigs is [Euro].
- 5.2 Entrants with an age of 16 or under on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the regatta are eligible for [%] reduction in the entry fee. This reduction does not apply to the late entry fee.
- 5.3 The late entry fee of 20€.
- 5.4 Non-payment of the entry fees after the closing date of the registration will automatically cancel the regatta registration. Entrants on a waiting list for the regatta will be assigned these cancelled registrations.
- 5.5 Cancellation policy:
  - (a) Entrants cancelling their registration 14 days before the first race day will receive a full refund.
  - (b) Entrants cancelling their registration 7 days before the first race day will receive a 75% refund.
  - (c) Entrants cancelling 6 days before the first race will not be refunded.
- 5.6 In the event that TLC or the organizers have to cancel the event then a full refund will be given to all entrants.
- 5.7 In the event that an event is postponed or canceled by the Organizing Authority under force majeure, the registration fee will be refunded with an administration charge of 10% of the registration fee. In case of a competitor/entrant no show or in any other circumstance, the registration fee is non-refundable.
- 5.8 Entrants/Competitors that are minors must present a letter of consent signed by the parent, guardian or "Support Person" that allows them to comply with the Rules (RRS 3.1 (b)) and who, during the event, takes sole responsibility for minors that are racing as competitors.

## 6. Crew Limitations

- 6.1 Crew substitution is not permitted as follows; *“only one person shall be on board whilst racing. The person shall be named on the registration form”*.

## 7. Advertising

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen by the organizer.
- 7.2 TLC or the organizers may provide bibs that entrants are required to wear and make visible to the organizers.
- 7.2 Photography Consent: By entering the regatta, entrants accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using the regatta facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitor’s name or not, without compensation and without the competitor’s approval of such images or any use thereof.

## 8. Qualifying Series & Final Series

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## 9. Schedule

- 9.1 Venue registration will take place on [Dates] from [Time] to [Time] CET.
- 9.2 Equipment inspection and event measurement will take place on [Dates] from [Time] to [Time] CET.
- 9.2 Number of races:
- | Class    | Number   | Races per Day Scheduled | Races per Day Maximum |
|----------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 4.7      | [Number] | [Number]                | [Number]              |
| Radial   | [Number] | [Number]                | [Number]              |
| Standard | [Number] | [Number]                | [Number]              |
- 9.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race [practice race] will be on [Date] at [Time] CET.
- 9.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after [Time] CET.

## 10. Equipment Inspection

- 10.1 Each boat shall display a valid class plaque. The Laser Class, its representatives, assigned race committees or organizers are entitled to inspect boats and equipment so as to ensure compliance with the TLC Class Rules before, during or after any regatta or practice days.
- 10.2 All entrants must use only one hull, sail, mast bottom section, mast top section, centre-board and rudder according to The Laser Class Rules. The Laser Class Rules are available to all entrants as a pdf. document:

- 10.3 In the event of damage, boats and equipment may only be substituted with the written permission of the equipment inspector, Jury or Race Committee.
- 10.4 If the damage occurs later than 90 minutes before the first scheduled start on a racing day and before the start of the last race of the day, provisional verbal permission shall be obtained from the equipment inspector, Jury or Race Committee and the written permission of the Equipment inspector, Jury or Race Committee shall be applied for before the end of protest time at the end of the day in which the substitution takes place.

## **11. Clothing and Equipment**

- 11.1 An entrants clothing and equipment shall not weigh more than the number of kilograms as permitted by the RRS 50.1(b)
- 11.2 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times when afloat, except briefly when changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes rule RRS 40.

## **12. Venue**

- 12.1 NoR attachment A shows the plan of the event venue
- 12.2 NoR attachment B shows the location of the racing areas

## **13. Courses**

- 13.1 The following races courses will be used for 4.7 rigs  
[Details]
- 13.2 The following races courses will be used for radial rigs  
[Details]
- 13.3 The following races courses will be used for standard rigs  
[Details]
- 13.4 The marks used in the race course are:  
[Details]

## **14. Penalty System**

- 14.1 Appendix P "Special Procedures for Rule 42" will apply with changes to include: allowing a jury initiated redress, points penalty for a first penalty given after finishing and to prohibit a boat that has been disqualified for a rule 42 infringement or has retired in recognition of a rule 42 infringement from sailing in the race if that race is re-started or re-sailed.
- 14.2 For protests where only a rule of Part 2 is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to any formal protest hearing.
- 14.3 An international jury may be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N

and perform the duties listed in RRS Appendix N2. Their decisions will be final as provided in rule 70.5 RRS.

- 14.4 Competitors shall comply with rule 5 and ISAF Regulation 21 Anti-Doping Rule and Anti-Doping Code, which ban the use of drugs. Drugs testing may take place during the event.

## **15. Scoring**

- 15.1 The Low-Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) will apply. A minimum of one (1) completed race is required to validate the individual regatta.
- 15.2 Four races are required to constitute a series. Therefore, when;
- fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the sum of her race scores
  - 5,6,7 or 8 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the sum of her race scores excluding her worst score
  - 9 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the sum of her race scores excluding her two worst scores
- 15.3 If a points scoring penalty would result in a score worse than DSQ, the penalty will be that corresponding to DSQ. The scores of other boats will not be changed.
- 15.4 There will be separate rankings for each category as defined in §24
- 15.5 It will be by extraction for each age category from the overall position in the Laser Standard fleet and Laser Radial fleet unless there is more than one start in the Laser Standard or Laser Radial fleets when the ranking will be extracted from the overall position in the starting fleet.
- 15.6 A separate ranking will be extracted from each age category for the Laser Radial women. The Radial Legend Masters (75 & Over) result will be determined by the series score in the combined Great Grand Master and Radial Legend Master fleet. (Note: This result will be extracted from the overall result and published without recalculation.). The fleet rankings are for information only (no overall winners of the Standard or Radial fleet).

## **16. Support Person Vessels**

- 16.1 Support vessels or motorboats are not permitted during the races days.

## **17. Charter or Loaned Boats**

- 17.1 A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provide that the race committee has approved her before the first race.

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**21. Data Protection**

21.1 Where applicable, all data will be handled in accordance with European data protection regulations.

**22. Indemnification**

22.1 To the fullest extent permitted by law, each competitor agrees to indemnify and hold the [Sailing club host organizer], The Laser Class, owners, affiliates, officers, employees, agents, committee persons and race officials acting in their official capacities harmless, from any third party claim to the extent arising from a competitor's acts or omissions.

**23. Liability & Insurance**

23.1 The [Sailing club host organizer], The Laser Class, their officers, members and volunteers do not accept liability for loss of life or property, personal injury or damage caused by or arising out of the regatta.

23.2 All those taking part in an event do so at their own risk and responsibility. Attention is drawn to the RRS Fundamental Rule 4 – Decision to Race, which states: *“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”*

23.3 The establishment of the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibilities of a competitor being solely and entirely responsible for the management of a boat he or she is sailing. A competitor shall maintain their boat in a safe and seaworthy condition.

23.4 An entrant is wholly and exclusively responsible for third party liability insurance on the boat that he or she is sailing and for his or her personal accident and health insurance.

23.5 All entrants shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €1,500,000 (1.5 million Euros) per event or equivalent there of in any other currency.

**24. Prizes**

24.1 Entrants will be ranked in each category. Prizes will be given in the following categories:

Standard Fleet:

Laser Boys/Men (12 to 19 years), (under 21 years) & (21 years and older)

Laser Apprentice Standard (35 to 44 years)

Laser Master Standard (45 to 54 years)

Laser Grand Master Standard (55 to 64 years)

Laser Great Grand Master Standard Men (from 65)

**24.2 Laser Radial Fleet**

Laser Girls/Ladies (12 to 16 years), (17 to 19 years), (under 21 years) & (21 years and older)

Laser Boys/Men (12 to 17 years), (18 to 19 years) & (19 years and over)

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)

**24.3 Laser 4.7 Fleet**

Laser 4.7 Boys & Girls (12 to 16 years)

Laser 4.7 Boys & Girls (17 to 18 years)

Laser 4.7 Ladies (18 years and older)

**24.4** The number of prize will be dependent on the number of entrants in each category:

- up to 5 entrants: 1 prize per category

- between 6 and 10 entrants: 2 prizes per category

- more than 11 entrants: 3 prizes per category

## **25. Further Information**

Contact details for further information: [events@thelaserclass.com](mailto:events@thelaserclass.com)

**26. Attachments**

24.1	<u>Attachment A - plan of the event venue</u>
24.2	<u>Attachment B – race course areas</u>