



LASER MIDWINTERS WEST

March 20-22, 2020



IN CONJUNCTION WITH SCYYRA ULLMAN/FROST #3

March 21-22, 2020



Alamitos Bay Yacht Club
Long Beach, California, USA

THIS EVENT IS A YOUTH WORLD'S TEAM QUALIFIER FOR BOYS & GIRLS LASER RADIAL CLASSES

NOTICE OF RACE

The organizing authority is the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club 7201 E Ocean Blvd, Long Beach CA 90803 on behalf of the International Laser Class Association.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. For those boats also competing in the Ullman/Frost Series the [2019/2020 Ullman/Frost Notice of Race](#) will apply.
- 1.3. For the Laser Standard Male and the Laser Radial Female this will be a World Sailing 50-point event.
- 1.4. The Radial Fleet will sail in a "Protected Competition" per US Sailing Regulation 12.03. See NoR 18.
- 1.5. The expedited appeal process is available for those in the "Protected Competition", under Appendix R, Procedures for Appeals and Requests, Rule R8. NoR Addendum A.
- 1.6. In all rules governing this regatta;
 - [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee;
 - [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. RRS 60.1(a) will be changed in the Sailing Instructions.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. **[DP]**

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Laser Standard, Laser Radial and Laser 4.7 classes.
- 3.2. Competitors must be members in good standing of their national Laser Class Association.
- 3.3. Sailors seeking to qualify to compete in the 2019 World Sailing Youth Championships must meet the eligibility criteria outlined in US Sailing's Athlete Selection System and Requirements. Summarized below:

Age: All prospective athletes shall be under the age of 19 years on 31 December 2020. (Born after 31 December 2001)

Citizenship: Unless otherwise approved by the IOC or World Sailing Board, all prospective. Athletes shall be a national of the USA and present proof of nationality (passport) or approved exception. The athlete's passport shall not expire for six months after the conclusion of the 2020 Youth Worlds.

World Sailing ID: Must have a registered "World Sailor ID" on the World Sailing website.

US Sailing Membership: Competitors must have a US Sailing individual or family membership in good standing and shall not be otherwise ineligible to compete under the laws, regulations, policies and rules of the USOC or its affiliated organizations.

Gender: Prospective athletes must meet the gender requirements of the respective event.

- 3.4. Eligible boats may enter by completing the [Online Entry Form](#) and paying the required fee by March 15, 2020.



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- 3.5. If there are not five (5) Laser 4.7s entries the organizing authority may automatically move registered boats to the Laser Radial class.
- 3.6. After March 15, 2020, entries will only be accepted in person and the regatta dinner and regatta souvenir will be subject to availability.
- 3.7. Coaches shall register with the organizing authority and pay the required Coach Registration fee.
- 3.8. Competitors shall complete the Liability Release and Medical Consent forms as part of the Regatta Network registration. Minors will need to download the Liability Release Form for Parental Signature and bring it to Registration.
- 3.9. Only boats having completed all registration requirements will be allowed to compete.

4. FEES

- 4.1. **Early Entry** \$160 USD (until December 31, 2019)
Regular Entry \$175 USD (until March 1, 2020)
Late Entry \$215 USD (until March 18, 2020)
(The entry fee includes refreshments after racing each race day, a regatta dinner and a regatta souvenir.)
- 4.2. Entry fee includes boat storage from the Wednesday prior to regatta to the Wednesday following the regatta. **Boat storage beyond this period is \$15,00 per day.**
- 4.3. Additional dinners can be reserved when you register for \$15.00.
- 4.4. Extra regatta shirts can be purchased when you register for \$25.00.
- 4.5. The Support/Coach/Spectator vessel registration fee is \$70 USD, which includes launching, mooring, refreshments after racing each race day and a regatta dinner. \$20 USD of this fee is a coach flag deposit which will be refunded on return of the flag.
- 4.6. If an entry is cancelled by the competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows:

Cancellation date	Entry fee refund
Before March 1	100%*
March 1 - March 18	50%
After March 18	0%

* Entry fee will be refunded, except administrative fee of \$10 USD that will be retained.

- 4.7. Entry fee includes refreshments after racing each race day, a regatta dinner and a regatta souvenir.

5. EVENT FORMAT

If the Laser Standard, Laser Radial or Laser 4.7 fleet has a large number of entries, the organizing authority may divide that fleet. Divided fleets will sail a qualifying series prior to being split into a Gold/Silver final series.

6. SCHEDULE

December 31, 2019	1800	Early Entry Deadline
March 1, 2020	1800	Regular Entry Deadline
Wednesday, March 18, 2020	1800	Late Entry Deadline
Thursday March 19, 2020	1500 to 1800	Registration, Measurement and Inspection



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Friday March 20, 2020	0800 to 1000	Registration, Measurement and Inspection
	1000	Check In closes
	1000	Support Boat Registration and Briefing
	1015	Competitors' Meeting
	1155	Warning Signal for 1st race of the day Subsequent races to start ASAP
Saturday March 21, 2020	0800 to 1000	Registration, Measurement and Inspection Ullman/Frost
	1000	Check In closes for those only competing in Ullman/Frost
	1155	Warning Signal for 1st race of the day Subsequent races to start ASAP
Sunday March 22, 2020	1155	Warning Signal for 1st race of the day Subsequent races to start ASAP
	After Racing	Awards Presentation in ABYC Clubhouse

A maximum of ten (10) races are scheduled: three (3) races on Friday, four (4) races on Saturday, and three (3) races on Sunday. The Race Committee (RC) may run fewer races at its discretion.

7. MEASUREMENT

- 7.1. All boats shall comply with current ILCA Class Rules and Specifications.
- 7.2. Competitors must present their sails at check in for inspection of national letters, sail numbers and sail buttons to ensure compliance with class rules. Sail numbers must be applied in accordance with ILCA class rules. Numbers and letters drawn on the sail with permanent ink pens are not legal.
 - 7.2.1. Compliance with rule 77 will be enforced, which requires that every boat shall carry on her mainsail, (a) the insignia denoting her class; (b) national letters denoting her national authority (c) a sail number **[DP]**
 - 7.2.2. The requirement for national letters is waived for competitors sailing only the Ullman/Frost regatta (Saturday, Sunday)
- 7.3. Additional measurement checks may be conducted during the regatta at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 7.4. Following each day's racing one or more boats may be inspected for compliance with class rules.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available electronically on the regatta website. Printed copies will be posted on the official notice board.

9. VENUE

Races will be held in either; 1) the waters of San Pedro Bay outside the Long Beach Breakwater, or 2) inside the Long Beach Breakwater in the vicinity of the Belmont Pier.

10. THE COURSES

- 10.1. A trapezoid course will be used with inner and outer loops and an upwind finish. The target time for the first boat in each race will be 60 minutes.



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11. SCORING

- 11.1. Three (3) completed races shall constitute a series.
- 11.2. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

12. SAFETY AND ADULT RESPONSIBILITY

- 12.1. Competitors shall either wear a US Coast Guard-approved flotation device, or a flotation device that conforms to regulations of their own country.
- 12.2. It is the responsibility solely of the parent(s) of any competitor under the age of eighteen (18), or in the instance of the competitor who is eighteen (18) or over, the competitor, to decide if the competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event.
- 12.3. Parents of competitors under the age of eighteen (18) not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their child.
- 12.4. The designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

13. SUPPORT/COACH/SPECTATOR BOATS

- 13.1. Support/coach/spectator boats shall register with the Race Office during the registration period.
- 13.2. A unique registration number will be assigned to each support boat. Support, coach, spectator boats shall prominently display their assigned coach flag at all times while on the water.
- 13.3. Coaches and supporters are required to monitor the course channel on their VHF radios and be available to assist with safety when requested. Coaches are expected to attend the coaches meeting each morning.
- 13.4. Rules governing the conduct of support/coach/spectator boats will be in the Sailing Instructions.

14. BERTHING

Boats shall be stored overnight on a public beach in Alamitos Bay adjacent to Alamitos Bay Yacht Club. Security will be provided during the regatta. Competitors in the master division can store their boats in the ABYC boat yard. **[DP]**

15. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

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. **[DP]**

16. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded after racing on Sunday in accordance with the Laser class guidelines.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

18. PROCEDURES FOR PROTECTED COMPETITIONS

- 18.1. US Sailing Regulation 12.03, Protected Competitions, will be in effect for the Laser Radial class. The following rules and procedures will apply:



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- (a) The US Sailing prescriptions to rules 63.2 and 63.4 shall apply to a Protected Competition, except that the words "when practicable" in the first sentence of the prescription to rule 63.4 are deleted.
- (b) Protest committees shall include 20% "sailor-athlete" representation. "Sailor-athlete" has the meaning of "athlete" set forth in USOC Bylaw, Section 8.8.2 (the 10-year rule) or Level A or B Sailor-Athlete as defined by US Sailing Sailor Athlete Council (SAC) Bylaws 3.3.1 and 3.3.2 (except that the US Sailing member class referred to in SAC Bylaw 3.3.2.3 shall be an international class recognized by World Sailing at the time of the sailor-athlete's qualification).
- (c) The right of appeal will not be denied under rule 70.5 (a), (b), or (c), but an expedited appeal process may be used that balances the needs of the competitor for certainty with respect to berths in future competitions and sufficient time to prepare the arguments and evidence for the appeal.
- (d) Any boat that is a party to a redress hearing may be represented by up to two individuals. This changes rule 63.3(a).
- (e) If a hearing is scheduled after the event is concluded and after the sailors and officials have left the venue, it will be scheduled as soon as possible, and in a place and manner chosen with deference to the competitor's preferences or circumstances; and parties to the hearing have the right to be present telephonically or via video feed as appropriate, provided all participants can hear and speak to each other.

18.2. Other rule changes

- (a) Rule 65.2 is changed as follows: "seven days" is changed to "24 hours" and "promptly" is changed to "within 24 hours."
- (b) Rule 66, Reopening a Hearing, second sentence is deleted and replaced by: "However, if an appeal of its decision has been sent to the national authority, the hearing shall not be reopened unless the national authority requires reopening under rule R5.4 or decides the appeal cannot be considered."
- (c) Rule 70.2 is deleted.

18.3. Expedited appeals procedure

The expedited appeals system in rule R8, Expedited Appeals, will be used. See:

<https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2017-Expedited-Appeals.pdf>

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional useful information regarding accommodations, travel, boat charters, equipment services and area recreation are available at www.abyc.org or contact the ABYC office abyc@abyc.org or +1 562 434 9955.

Event Chair: Ed Spotskey

Event Co-chair: TBD

PRO: Mark Townsend, IRO

Chief Judge: TBD