



NOTICE OF RACE (Rev. 2)

Laser Midwinter's East

February 19 – 23, 2020

The Organizing Authority for the Laser Midwinter's East is the Clearwater Yacht Club (CYC), 830 South Bayway Blvd., Clearwater, FL 33767. The event will be held from the Clearwater Community Sailing Center (CCSC), 1001 Gulf Boulevard, Clearwater, FL 33767.

1.0 Rules

- 1.1** The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 RACING RULES OF SAILING (RRS).
- 1.2** Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.
The title of RRS P2.2, "Second Penalty" is changed to "Second and Subsequent Penalties", When a boat is penalized a second time during the regatta, she shall promptly retire, unless her penalty was signaled after she finishes, in which case she shall promptly notify the race committee at the finish line that she is retiring
RRS P2.3 is deleted.

2.0 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1** Laser, Laser Radial, and Laser 4.7 competitors who are members of the ILCA-North America, or their National Laser Class Association, may enter by completing the registration and paying the required fees.
- 2.2** Coaches shall register with the organizing authority and pay the required Coach Registration fee.
- 2.3** 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 the completed form to Registration.

3.0 Registration

- 3.1** Competitors and Coaches shall register on-line via Regatta Network's web site www.regattanetwork.com before 8PM February 19, 2020. Registrations not fully paid by this time will be rejected.
- 3.2** The entry fee for each competitor is \$225 USD. Competitors who have not paid the Entry Fee by midnight February 12, 2020 will be charged a \$50 USD late fee.
- 3.3** The entry fee for each Coach is \$50 USD. Coaches who have not paid the \$50 USD Coach's Fee by midnight February 15, 2020 will be charged a \$50 USD late fee. An additional \$50 USD "Flag Deposit" will be collected at registration and will be refunded when the flag is returned on February 23. The Coach Flag shall be prominently displayed on the coach boat.



- 3.4 Spectator boats are required to register at CCSC (no fee) and pay a refundable \$50 USD flag deposit. Spectators are not permitted to have contact with Competitors or to enter the Coaching area. The Spectator Flag shall be prominently displayed on the spectator boat. Spectators shall be respectful of the course area. Vessels not displaying flags will be discouraged from approaching the course area by US Coast Guard and Safety boats.
- 3.5 The registration fee includes water and food at CCSC, daily, before and after racing, a regatta souvenir, and a Saturday night dinner at CYC. Participants may obtain a CYC Regatta Membership Card at Registration which allows additional use of CYC facilities.

4.0 Event Format

- 4.1 If any 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.

5.0 Schedule of Events

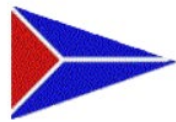
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| 5.1 | Wednesday | February 19 | Registration & Measurement Release Forms must be signed | 0900 – 1300 1600 – 2000 |
| | Thursday | February 20 | Late Check-in & Measurement (Pre-paid Registrants, Only) Skippers Meeting First Warning (Races to follow) | 0800 – 0900 0930 1100 |
| | Friday | February 21 | First Warning (Races to follow) | 1030 |
| | Saturday | February 22 | First Warning (Races to follow) Dinner at CYC | 1030 1830 – 2100 |
| | Sunday | February 23 | First Warning (Races to follow) Closing Ceremonies and Awards to follow at CCSC | 1030 |

- 5.2 No more than three races per fleet will be scheduled for each day, excepting if fewer than three races have been completed on a prior race day, then a fourth race may be attempted.
- 5.3 No Warning Signal will be made after 1630, excepting for Sunday, February 23, when no Warning Signal will be made after 1430.
- 5.4 A minimum of three (3) races shall constitute a regatta. A maximum of ten (10) races, in total, are scheduled for the entire regatta.

6.0 Measurement

- 6.1 Sail inspection will be required at this regatta. Each boat shall comply with the equipment measurement rules of the Class and may be inspected at any time during the Regatta at the discretion of the Protest Committee or the Organizing Authority.





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- 6.2** Please ensure that all sail numbers are applied in accordance with ILCA class rules. National letters are not required. But, if used, national letters must comply with class rules. Numbers and letters that have been drawn on the sail with permanent ink pen are not legal. Refer to www.laserinternational.org (then Rules and Regulations, then Sail Numbers) for detailed instructions.

7.0 **Sailing Instructions**

- 7.1** The Sailing Instructions start will be available during the on-site check-in.

8.0 **Venue**

- 8.1** The racing area will be in the Gulf of Mexico, west of Clearwater Beach

9.0 **Courses**

- 9.1** Courses will be Trapezoid or Windward/Leeward

10.0 **Scoring**

- 10.1** The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A2, will be used, except as modified, below.
- 10.2** When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.3** There will be Class Scoring (Standard, Radial, 4.7) for Trophy awards.

11.0 **Support Boats**

- 11.1** Race Committee boats will fly a Race Committee (“RC”) flag or an Official (“O”) flag. Judge boats will fly a Judge or “J” flag. Coach boats shall fly a white, numbered flag. Boats flying a white, numbered flag will be permitted in the coaching area. Safety Boats will fly an orange, numbered flag. Spectator Boats will fly a green, numbered flag. Spectator boats are not permitted in the coaching area. Boats without the above mentioned flags will be diverted from the racing area.

12.0 **Administrative**

- 12.1** Competitors are welcome to arrive at Clearwater Community Sailing Center on Tuesday, February 18. Competitors wishing to arrive earlier than February 18, or leave later than Monday February 24, will need to make arrangements with CCSC and pay an additional fee of \$10/day or \$50/week to CCSC.
- 12.2** Competitors arriving when CCSC is closed, on Monday February 17, or after CCSC business hours on Tuesday February 18, or Wednesday February 19, may park boats and trailers at the CYC parking lot, overnight.



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13.0 Radio Communication

13.1 A Competitor shall neither make nor receive radio, telephone or electronic transmissions that are not available competitors while racing.

14.0 Disclaimer of Liability

14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.

See RRS 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, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15.0 Further Information

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Directions and a list of area hotels may be obtained from the Clearwater Yacht Club web site.