



LASER MIDWINTERS WEST

IN CONJUNCTION WITH

Ullman/Frost Series #2

Friday through Sunday, March 24-26, 2017

Marina del Rey, California USA



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Organizing Authority is California Yacht Club (CYC), located at 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292

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The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta is governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 For those competing in the Ullman/Frost #2, the [2016/2017 Ullman and Frost Perpetual Trophy Series Notice of Race will apply](#).
- 1.3 The "class rules" for the purposes of the definition of rules are the [International Laser Class Association Rules](#).
- 1.4 This regatta is a World Sailing Grade 2 event.
- 1.5 Each entrant must meet the eligibility, entry, measurement, check in and fee requirements as outlined in the [Notice of Race](#) for this regatta.
- 1.6 RRS 82 will not apply. Competitors must complete the CYC Race Entry Agreement through [online registration](#).

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the patio windows of the Gallery Room located on the east side of the lower level of the CYC clubhouse (Official Notice Board).

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 1000 on the day it will take effect, except that 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 flagpole located on the CYC front lawn.
- 4.2 When the Answering Pennant (AP) is displayed ashore, do not leave the harbor. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 75 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 There will be registration and a briefing for coaches and support boats at 1015 on Friday, March 24, at the CYC pool patio.
- 5.2 There will be a Competitors' Meeting at 1030 on Friday, March 24, at the pool patio.
- 5.3 Nine (9) races are scheduled: three (3) on Friday, four (4) on Saturday, and two (2) on Sunday. The Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to run more races on Saturday or Sunday if fewer than the scheduled number of races is completed on Friday or Saturday. The RC, at its discretion, may run fewer total races.
- 5.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on **Friday is 1300**. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on **Saturday and Sunday is 1230**. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable.
- 5.5 The order of starts for the first race each day will be Laser Standard class followed by Laser Radial class. The order of starts may change following the first race.
- 5.6 Code flag A displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means "No more racing today." Flag A may be displayed in conjunction with a class flag, in which case it applies only to that class.
- 5.7 No first warning signal will be made after 1530 on Sunday.

6. CLASS FLAGS

The class flags will be the Laser Class insignia as described below:

CLASS	FLAG
Laser Standard	White flag with black Laser insignia
Laser Radial	Red flag with white Laser insignia

7. RACING AREA

Racing will be on Santa Monica Bay. The starting area will be located approximately 1.0 nautical mile (nm) northwest of the Marina del Rey breakwater.

8. MARKS

Marks are described on **Attachment A**.

9. COURSES

Courses are described on **Attachment A**.

10. ON-THE-WATER CHECK IN

Prior to the Warning Signal for the first race each day, each boat shall sail past the stern of the RC signal boat displaying code flag "L", hail her sail number and be recognized by the RC. Boats failing to check in properly may be given a twenty percent (20%) scoring penalty for the first race of the day, assessed without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

11. THE START

- 11.1 No race will be started unless there is a minimum consistent wind speed of three (3) knots throughout the racing area.
- 11.2 To notify competitors of an upcoming starting sequence, an attention signal will be given approximately one (1) minute before the warning signal.
- 11.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange and white checkered flag on an RC boat at its port end and the staff displaying an orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat at its starboard end.
- 11.4 A boat that starts more than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the RC will move the original mark (or move the finishing line).

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange and white checkered flag on a buoy at its port end and a staff displaying an orange and white checkered flag on the RC finish boat at its starboard end.
- 13.2 Competitors are reminded that RRS 24.1 prohibits a boat that has finished from interfering with boats still racing.

14. TIME LIMIT

RRS 35, 63.1, A4.1, and A5 will be changed to provide that a boat failing to finish a race within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat finishes that race will be scored DNF without a hearing.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, applies with the following changes: in P2.1 – *First Penalty*, the word "first" is deleted. P2.2 and P2.3 are deleted.
- 15.2 The Jury will observe racing for other than RRS 42 infringements. When the Jury sees an infringement, they may make one sound signal. This means that the Jury has seen a protestable situation and one or more competitors should do penalty turns. No sail number will be hailed. The Jury may protest boat(s) that fail to take penalty turns. Action or no action by the Jury under this SI shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 15.3 The jury boats will be identified by an orange flag marked "Judge".

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protests shall be filed with the Jury Secretary no later than one (1) hour after the RC finish boat has docked (Protest Time Limit), which time will be posted on the Official Notice Board. The Jury Secretary and Protest Notice Board will be located inside the CYC clubhouse on the lower level (at the bottom of the stairs from the lobby) outside the Gallery Room. Protest forms will be available from the Jury Secretary.
- 16.2 No later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC finish boat has docked, a notice of boats receiving a scoring penalty under **SI 10 or 11.4** and boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD or BFD will be posted on the Official Notice Board. The deadline for requesting redress based on these scores will be one (1) hour after posting. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 16.3 RRS 62.2 (Redress) and 66 (Reopening a Hearing) are changed so that, on the last day of the regatta, the time limit for filing any

such requests is the Protest Time Limit or one (1) hour after the incident, whichever is later.

- 16.4 Within fifteen (15) minutes after the Protest Time Limit, a notice of filed protests and requests for redress will be posted on the Official Notice Board. This will constitute notice to all parties to a hearing under RRS 63.2.
- 16.5 Protests and requests for redress will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.2 Nine (9) races are scheduled; three (3) races must be completed to constitute a regatta.

18. SAFETY AND ADULT RESPONSIBILITY

- 18.1 Each competitor under eighteen (18) shall submit a CYC [Parental Consent Form](#), signed by their parent or guardian, which indicates the parent or adult representative ("designated adult") that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.
- 18.2 It is solely the responsibility of the designated adult to decide if the competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. Additionally, 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.
- 18.3 Competitors over the age of eighteen (18) are responsible for their own actions, and for the decision to sail in weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 In addition to the requirements of RRS 40 and its US Sailing Prescription, a condition of entry and participation in this regatta is the wearing of a US Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD), or a PFD approved by the country of the competitor's citizenship or residence, properly secured at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while removing or adding clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFDs do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. All PFDs must be suitable for the competitor's weight. Violation of this provision will result in a penalty up to and including disqualification at the discretion of the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 40, its US Sailing Prescription and the Preamble to RRS, Part 4. [DP]
- 19.2 A boat that withdraws from a race prior to finishing or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall notify the RC either before leaving the race area or as soon as possible after arriving ashore. [DP]

20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected and re-measured at any time during the regatta for compliance with the Class Rules and the Sailing Instructions.

21. SUPPORT BOATS

- 21.1 Only coach/support boats that have registered with the OA and prominently display identification provided by the OA will be allowed in the racing area. All coach/ support boats must carry a VHF radio and monitor VHF channel 68. All individuals on such registered boats are required to wear PFDs. [DP]
- 21.2 Support persons shall not enter the racing area from the preparatory signal of a race until the finish of the last boat in that race. However, such boats may enter the racing area at the direction of the RC to assist a competitor or after a general recall, abandonment or postponement until a new preparatory signal has been made. The racing area shall be as indicated on **Attachment A** and include any other area within one hundred (100) meters of any boat still racing. [DP]
- 21.3 Support boats shall neither create wakes nor otherwise interfere with competitors. [DP]
- 21.4 Violation of SI 21.1 – 21.3 may result in any penalty that the Protest Committee deems appropriate, up to and including the disqualification of the associated competitor(s) from the regatta.
- 21.5 Support and spectator boats shall remain in the water from the time they are launched at CYC until the completion of the regatta.
- 21.6 Competitors who wish to keep support boats at CYC must make arrangements with the Dockmaster for use of the hoist, trailer storage and in-the-water berthing. Contact CYC Dockmaster Evan Davis at evan.davis@calyachtclub.net or at 310.823.4567.

22. PRIZES

- 22.1 Prizes, in accordance with the Laser Class guidelines, will be awarded in the Fireside Room of the CYC clubhouse after the last race on Sunday.
- 22.2 Thirty (30) Grand Prix points will be awarded.
- 22.3 Ullman/Frost will be scored separately and prizes awarded accordingly.

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. By participating in this regatta, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers (organizing authority, host yacht club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors, and any others acting in an official capacity for this regatta) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this regatta to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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ATTACHMENT A

SI 8 MARKS (continued)

Mark 1a (offset mark) will be a buoy displaying an orange and white checkered flag.
Marks 1 and 5s/5p will be yellow inflatable shapes.
Marks 2, 3s/3p and 4 will be orange inflatable shapes.

SI 9 COURSES (continued)

- 9.1 All marks shall be rounded to port, except Mark 3s/3p and Mark 5s/5p, which will be gates. In the event only one gate mark is on station, that mark shall be rounded to port.
- 9.2 The angle between the leg from the starting line to Mark 1 and the leg from Mark 1 to Mark 1a will be approximately 90°.
- 9.3 No later than the warning signal for each class, the RC signal boat will display the approximate magnetic bearing from Mark 5s/5p to the first weather mark with numeral placards.
- 9.4 No later than the warning signal for each class, the RC signal boat will display the course with numeral pennants as shown below:

1. Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 4 - Finish
2. Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 2 - 3s/3p - 4 - Finish
3. Start - 1 - 1a - 5s/5p - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 4 - Finish

