



**Hyannis Yacht Club
2021 Laser Masters'
North American Championship Regatta
September 9-12, 2021**



**Notice of Race
The Hyannis Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority**

1. Rules

1.1 This regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing* and the International Laser Class Association (ILCA) Rules.

1.2 Racing rules added or changed. Other rules may be changed by the Sailing Instructions.

(a) A personal flotation device approved by the U.S. Coast Guard or the equivalent authority of competitor's home country shall be worn at all times while on the water except for brief periods for adjusting clothing.

(b) The US Sailing Prescription **Appendix V Alternative Penalties** shall apply.

(c) **TLE (time limit expired)**-Boats still racing thirty (30) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit will be scored Time Limit Expired TLE by the race committee without a hearing. **This changes RRS A4 and A5**

(d) A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). **This changes RRS A4 and A5**

(e) **Rig-Swapping Rule**-*Unless a minimum number of 12 Standard and 12 Radial entries has been received by the registration deadline, all entrants shall start and finish together and be scored as a single fleet. Competitors may choose Standard, Radial or 4.7 rigs at their discretion, and change Rigs throughout the regatta, provided that all rig changes are made on shore and sails have the same number (Rig-Swapping Rule turned on).*

*Providing that a minimum number of 12 Standard and 12 Radial entries has been received by the registration deadline, the Radial fleet shall be given a separate start and shall be scored separately from the Standard Rig fleet (Rig-Swapping Rule turned off). Rig-Swapping between Radials and 4.7s shall always be in effect. **This changes ILCA Class Rule 28(b) by permission of the International Laser Class Association of North America.***

(f) The Hyannis Harbor Channel is a shipping channel with high speed commercial traffic.

These ships have limited maneuverability and absolute rights over all other boats.

Boats transitioning to and from the race area are required to remain west and clear of the channel. Boats failing to honor this restriction are subject to protest by the race committee. The penalty for breaking this rule will be disqualification (DSQ) in their best race of the day.

This changes RRS 60.2, A4 and A5 (See the Sailing Instructions Channel Restriction Addendum)

2. Eligibility and Registration

2.1 This regatta is open to all current members of the International Class Laser Association and who have reached the age of thirty-five (35) by the first day of scheduled racing, September 9, 2021.

All competitors must be members of the International Laser Class Association at the time of registration and check-in.

2.2 Categories as determined by competitor's age as the first day of scheduled racing, September 9, 2021.

Apprentice Master	35-44 years of age
Master	45-54 years of age
Grand Master	55-64 years of age
Great Grand Master	65-74 years of age
Legend Master	75+ years of age

2.3 Registration for this regatta will be online through the event website at www.regattanetwork.com. The Hyannis Yacht Club Waiver of Liability must be acknowledged and full payment received along with verification of membership of the International Laser Class Association to be properly registered and compete in this regatta.

Registration Fee for this regatta is \$295 USD per boat. Registration fee includes a T-shirt, Welcome Reception, continental breakfast, two event dinners, awards. Additional guest meal tickets will be available for purchase.

2.4-The deadline to register for this regatta is midnight September 1, 2021.

A late fee of **40 USD** per boat will be assessed on entries received after midnight August 20, 2021.

3. Liability

Each competitor accepts full responsibility for the safety of his/her boat and crew for the decision to race. Neither the Hyannis Yacht Club nor its Trustees, Officers, Race Committee, members or any other individual or entity affiliated with this regatta shall be held responsible to any participating boat owner, skipper, crew or their families, heirs or assigns. **See RRS 4 DECISION TO RACE**

4. Schedule

4.1 Schedule of Events

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

0900 Town parking lot and beach open to receive boats

1600-1800 Registration and check-in

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

0900 Town parking lot and beach open to receive boats

1200-1700 Measurement

1500-1700 Registration and check-in

1600 Practice Race

1600-1800 Information Desk is open

1900 Welcome Reception

Thursday, September 9, 2021

0800 Town parking lot and beach open to receive boats

Continental breakfast available on the lower patio

0800-0900 Last call measurement, registration and check-in

0930 Competitors meeting on the lower patio

1000 Harbor start

1100 First Warning

1830 Event Dinner

Friday, September 10, 2021

0800 Continental breakfast available lower patio

1000 Harbor start

1100 First Warning

Après race Hors d'oeuvres

Open night

Saturday, September 11, 2021

0800 Continental breakfast available lower patio

1000 Harbor Start

1100 First Warning

1830 Event Dinner

Sunday, September 12, 2021

0800 Continental breakfast available lower patio

1000 Harbor Start

1100 First Warning

1430 No Warning Signal made after this time

Awards Ceremony with light hors d'oeuvres will be as soon as possible at the conclusion of racing

4.2 This series shall consist of twelve (12) races. One completed race shall constitute a series.

5. Measurement

5.1 Sails, blades and boats may be measured prior to racing and may also be spot checked at any time during the regatta. Note that numbers and letters drawn on the sail with ink are not legal. Refer to instructions in handbook (pgs. 53-57) <http://www.laserinternational.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/HANDBOOK-2021.pdf>

5.2 The Organizing Authority will provide a colored band to place on the mast of all boats between the vang fitting and the gooseneck. The colors are as follows:

Band Color	Fleet
Green	Apprentice Master
Pink	Master
Blue	Grand Master
Yellow	Great Grand Master
Purple	Legend

6. Sailing instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available at the registration desk and online at <https://www.regattanetwork.com>

7. Venue

Racing will be conducted on Nantucket Sound south of the Hyannis Port Breakwater, with an alternate site of Lewis Bay if needed for safety or other considerations.

8. Courses

Courses will be windward/leeward or triangle as described in the Sailing Instructions.

9. Scoring

9.1 Scoring will be done in accordance with **RRS Appendix A, Section A4**

9.2 NA Master handicap scoring system will apply to determine the overall winner. Add points per race as follows:

(Age) Points added Per Race	Fleet
(35-44) 4 Points	Apprentice Master
(45-54) 3 Points	Master
(55-64) 2 Points	Grand Master
(65-74) 1 Point	Great Grand master
(75+) 0 Points	Legend

9.3 Within an age category, a tie shall be broken as described in **RRS Appendix A, Section A8**.

across the age categories, a tie should be broken in favor of the competitor from the older category.
9.4 If fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9.5 TLE (time limit expired) is added as a scoring abbreviation, Boats scored **(TLE)** will be scored points equal to the number of boats sailing the course and finishing within the time limit plus two (2) points by the race committee without a hearing. **This changes RRS A4, A5 and A10**

10. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in each category, overall winner, and top female. The number of prizes for each category will be based on the number of entries and will be at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

11. Logistics, Parking and Boat Storage

11.1 Parking and boat storage are available in the Town of Barnstable parking and beach areas directly adjacent to the Hyannis Yacht Club. Please see the event map and traffic flow chart posted on the HYC Laser event webpage www.hyannisyachtclub.org

11.2 THERE IS ABSOLUTLEY NO ALCHOHOLIC CONSUMPTION ALLOWED ON TOWN PROPERTY.

11.3 Participants in this regatta will be issued HYC guest cards and are welcome to enjoy food and beverage services while attending the club for this event.

11.4 For information contact:

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