



Irish Laser Master Championships 2018
19th – 20th May, 2018

Sponsored by Lennon Racewear

Royal St George Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Irish Laser Master Championships will be organised by the Royal St George Yacht Club in association with the Irish Laser Association.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Irish Sailing will apply.
- 1.3 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 33, 35, 40, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.1(a), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2, A4 and A5 will be changed. The changes will appear, in full, in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4 Rules of the Irish Laser Association will apply.
- 1.5 Appendix P will apply.
- 1.6 Boats shall use their correct sail numbers in accordance with ILCA rules and RRS Appendix G.
- 1.7 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

2 ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY AND FEES

- 2.1 Entry is open to boats of the Laser Standard and Laser Radial rigs.
- 2.2 Competitors shall be a member of the Irish or other National Laser Association.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter online at the discounted rate of €50 until 11th May, 2018.
- 2.4 Late entries will be accepted online until 2100 hours on 16th May, 2018 at the full rate of €75. Entries may be accepted at the event, at the full rate, at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 2.5 Entry is restricted to sailors who have reached age 35 by May 19th, 2018. The following age categories will also apply, by reference to sailor age at the start of the regatta:

35 to 44	Laser Standard Apprentice or Laser Radial Apprentice.
45 to 54	Laser Standard Master or Laser Radial Master.
55 to 64	Laser Standard Grand Master or Laser Radial Grand Master.
65 to 75	Laser Standard Great Grand Master or Laser Radial Great Grand Master.

3 SCHEDULE

- 3.1** Registration: Saturday 19th May from 0900 to 1030 hours.
- 3.2** Briefing: A Briefing will be held at 1030 hours on Saturday 19th May, 2018.
- 3.3** Racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>
Saturday 19/5/18	Races 1, 2 and 3
Sunday 20/5/18	Races 4 and 5
- 3.4** Five Races are scheduled and the schedule may be subject to change.
- 3.5** The scheduled time of the first warning signal on Saturday 19th May, 2018 is 11.55. The scheduled time of the first warning signal on the following day is 10.55.

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1** The Standard Sailing Instructions for Provincial Championships will be available on the Irish Laser Association website and at registration. The Supplementary Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

5. SAILING AREA

- 5.1.** The Sailing Area will be Dublin Bay.

6. THE COURSES

- 6.1.** The courses to be sailed will be Trapezoid.

7 PENALTY SYSTEM & ARBITRATION

- 7.1** The Exoneration Penalty and Arbitration Procedure in Appendix T will be available. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

8 SCORING

- 8.1** When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

9 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 9.1** Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat. This changes RRS 40. Wetsuits and dry suits are not considered to be adequate.

10 PRIZES

- 10.1** Prizes will be given as follows: First, Second and Third in each class. Further age category Prizes will be awarded.

11 RISK STATEMENT

- 11.1** Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone"
Sailing by its nature is an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

12 INSURANCE

- 12.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

FURTHER INFORMATION

Royal St George Yacht Club <http://www.rsgyc.ie>
Irish Laser Association <https://laser-ireland.com>