



## ALCA Ranking Process for Australian Masters Applying for Entry to ILCA World Masters Championships

### World Masters Entry Process

Generally, at least six months before the start of a Master's Worlds, the ILCA will open an "application for entry" period for entry to the event. This period will run for approximately six weeks during which time all sailors who wish to participate in the event MUST complete an application with the ILCA.

At the end of the application for entry period, the ILCA will send a list of all Australian applicants to the ALCA secretary to verify membership and to rank them to determine the order for offering an entry to the event.

### Ranking of Australian Applicants

The ALCA office will rank all World Masters applicants as notified by ILCA (who must be current members of an Australian Laser District of the ILCA at the time of application) into one of the two groups listed below.

**Group 1:** Sailors who are the current champions in their category at the last Masters World Championship, followed by current champions in the last Australian Masters Championship at the time of ranking. Ranking within this group will be by age category with the older age categories first and by rig with standard rig first, then radial and then 4.7.

**Group 2:** All other sailors. Ranking within this group will be determined by points achieved by competing at any off the past two World Masters, Australian National Masters and relevant State Masters Championships. The formula for ranking points is the same as that used by World Sailing for World Ranking, that is:

$$\text{Ranking Points} = E(N-P+1)/N$$

Where, for ranking of masters applicants:

E = Event Rank Points

N = Number of Entries in the applicant's age group

P = Position in the applicant's age group.

The following will be the Event Rank Points:

- World Masters 100 points
- National Masters 100 points
- State Masters 100 points

Sailors in Group 1 will be ranked above those in Group 2. Group 2 will be ranked by total points, irrespective of sex, age or rig. The State Masters points will only be calculated for applicants in their own District's championship.

If after the regular entry process has begun, the ILCA indicates there are more places available, and there are no ALCA sailors remaining in the two groups above, then further applicants will be considered on a first come, first served basis.

#### Ranking for Sailors Changing Age Categories

Sailors entering the Apprentice Masters category after turning 35 will be able to have their results from the previous 2 years for the equivalent International, National or District open events determine their ranking points. As subsequent Masters International, National or District events occur the sailor's open results will be replaced by their Masters results.

Sailors who are moving from one age category to another in the two year window will have their results for the age category they were in at the time of the regatta used to determine their ranking points.