



NOTICE OF RACE

Including amendment 2 (12/03/2022)

2022 Oceania Laser Masters Championships

20th – 26th August 2022

Incorporating:

2022 Oceania Masters Standard Championship

2022 Oceania Masters Radial Championship

2022 Oceania Masters 4.7 Championship

Darwin, Northern Territory, Australia

The Organising Authority is the Darwin Sailing Club Inc. in conjunction with Australian Laser Class Association Inc. (ALCA) and Northern Territory Laser Association. Major sponsor is the Northern Territory Government

COVID-19 Note: Due to the changing requirements surrounding public events, the format of the event may change depending on Northern Territory Government restrictions in place at the time of the event. Therefore, in the event of cancellation of individual classes or the entire event, there will be a full refund. Competitors should note that in the event of restrictions on group sizes, it may be necessary to limit the number of entries, or schedule staggered start times.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. [DP] Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 - Off the Beach boats shall apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.
- 1.4. RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, applies for this regatta.
- 1.5. [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 64.1.
- 1.6. [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee or Technical Committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.
- 1.7. [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

2. NP][DP] ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS

- 2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising and/or bow numbers chosen and supplied by the



Organising Authority.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at <https://www.darwinsailingclub.com.au/2022-oceania-laser-masters>
- 3.2. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Laser Standard, Laser Radial or Laser 4.7 Classes sailed only by skippers that qualify as Masters.
- 4.2. Eligibility for Masters Divisions is the competitor's age as at 20th August 2022. Competitors need to be aged 30 years or older and the following Divisions will be sailed:
 - 4.2.1. Apprentice Master – 30 to 44 years
 - 4.2.2. Master – 45 to 54 years
 - 4.2.3. Grand Master – 55 years to 64
 - 4.2.4. Great Grand Master – 65 years to 74 Legend – 75 years and older
- 4.3. All boats shall be entered and skippered by a current financial member of a District of the International Laser Class Association (ILCA).
- 4.4. Eligible boats may enter, prior to midnight on 20th July 2022 online via <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/darwinsailing/events/101434/>
- 4.5. A maximum of 150 entries will be accepted.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee is AUD\$350 per boat for all Classes.
- 5.2. An early bird discount of \$50 applies to entries received prior to 30 April 2022.
- 5.3. A late entry fee applies for entries submitted after 20 June 2022. The late entry fee is AUD\$100 in addition to the entry fee.
- 5.4. Fees are stated in Australian currency (AUD) and include any local taxes (GST), but exclude any booking and credit card merchant fees detailed in the online entry system.
- 5.5. If the entry is cancelled due to Government restrictions, there will be a 100% refund. If an entry is cancelled by the competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows:

<i>Cancellation Date</i>	<i>Entry Fee Refund</i>
Before or on the 20 th June, 2022	100%
After 20 th June, 2022 and before COB 30 th July	50%
After 30 th July, 2022	0%



6. CLASSES AND DIVISIONS

6.1. Racing will be conducted in three classes if five or more entries are received for that class:

- Laser Standard
- Laser Radial
- Laser 4.7

6.2. The following Divisions will be included if five or more entries are received for that Division:

6.2.1. **Laser Standard** - Apprentice Master, Master, Grand Master, Great Grand Master

6.2.2. **Laser Radial** - For each of Women and Men: Apprentice Master, Master, Grand Master, Great Grand Master, Legend

6.2.3. **Laser 4.7** - For each of Women and Men: Apprentice Master, Master, Grand Master, Great Grand Master, Legend

7. SCHEDULE

7.1. Ten races are scheduled.

7.2. Regatta schedule:

Saturday 20 th August	Registration	0900hrs - 1700hrs
Sunday 21 st August	Registration	0900hrs - 1115hrs
	Competitor briefing	1130hrs
	Registration	1200hrs - 1700 hrs
	Practice Race	1430hrs
	Welcome Function	1800hrs
Monday 22 nd August	Racing - 2 races	1400hrs
Tuesday 23 rd August	Racing - 2 races	1400hrs
Wednesday 24 th August	Racing - 2 races	1400hrs
Thursday 25 th August	Racing - 2 races	1400hrs
Friday 26 th August	Racing - 2 races	1330hrs
	Presentation Ceremony	After racing

On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1530hrs.



8. [NP][DP] MEASUREMENT

- 8.1. For the duration of the regatta, each competitor shall use only one hull, sail, mast, boom, centreboard, rudder and one batten set. Such equipment may only be replaced as allowed by and in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
- 8.2. Dollies will be shared during the regatta. All boats shall be presented with a serviceable dolly. 'Serviceable' specifically includes being fitted with tyres at least 60 mm wide (or equivalent) and having adequate padding. Any boat entered with an unsatisfactory or unserviceable dolly may be refused entry.
- 8.3. Boats and equipment may be subject to inspection at any time during the regatta to ensure compliance with the Rules.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1. Sailing Instructions will be available at registration, on the event website <https://www.darwinsailingclub.com.au/2022-oceania-laser-masters>

10. VENUE

- 10.1. The regatta site is Darwin Sailing Club, 5 Atkins Drive, Fannie Bay, Northern Territory, Australia.
- 10.2. The Racing Area will be the waters of Darwin Harbour in the vicinity of Darwin Sailing Club.

11. THE COURSES

- 11.1. Trapezoid courses will be sailed as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

12. SCORING SYSTEM

- 12.1. Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.
- 12.3. When five to nine races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12.4. When ten races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 12.5. All Division prizes will be awarded based on the position of the boat in that Division.

13. [DP] [NP] SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1. Team leaders, coaches, and other support personnel ("Support Boats") shall not be in the racing area, which is defined as within 100 metres of a competitor or a mark of the course. This will apply from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished that race, or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, except in the case of an emergency. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be disqualification of all boats associated with the Support Boat who infringes.
- 13.2. All Support Boats shall register at the Regatta Office and pay a support boat registration deposit of AUD\$50, refundable after the regatta competition has concluded and on return of any Organising Authority supplied equipment.
- 13.3. All Support Boats shall display any insignia supplied, or required by the Organising Authority.
- 13.4. Coaches using a Support Boat shall provide next of kin contact information and sign a



Coaches Code of Conduct' at the time of registration.

- 13.5. Operators of Support Boats shall have a working VHF Radio on board their vessel and other applicable Safety Gear (as detailed in the Support/Coach Boat Online Registration declarations). It is also a requirement for all personnel on a Support Boat to wear an appropriate PFD at all times while afloat.
- 13.6. Support Boats shall make themselves available at all times while afloat to assist the Organising Authority in the case of an emergency or rescue, as directed in person by the relevant race officer or by the Safety Officer, or Race Officer via VHF Radio.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 14.1. In accordance with the Laser Class Rule 22 Section 5 any use of electronic equipment not specifically allowed in the ILCA rules is prohibited unless the rules are modified by the Sailing Instructions.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1. Laser class cubes and prizes shall be awarded in accordance with the ILCA bylaws.
- 15.2. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

16. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 16.1. In participating in the regatta, a competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the regatta, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the regatta in which the competitor participates and all material related to the regatta without compensation.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, event sponsors, Darwin Sailing Club, NT Laser Class Association or Australian Laser Class Association, their officers, staff, members and volunteers will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

18. INSURANCE

- 18.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 (recommended \$10,000,000) per event or the equivalent. By completing the online entry, boats are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Competitors may be required to produce evidence of such insurance and any competitor not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

19. AMENDMENTS

- 19.1. Any amendments to this Notice of Race shall be posted at <https://www.darwinsailingclub.com.au/2022-oceania-laser-masters> and advised to boats that have entered at that point by email to the entrants advised address.



Additional Competitor Information:

Darwin is located of the Northern Territory just a few hours from the world heritage listed Kakadu National Park and the Litchfield National Park.

The Darwin Sailing Club is located close to the city of Darwin and public transport is available throughout the area. A public bus stop is located outside the club. Holders of Australian Seniors Card travel free on public transport in the NT.

Trailer Parking

Details of trailer parking arrangements will be advised via

<https://www.darwinsailingclub.com.au/2022-oceania-laser-masters>.

Climate: Climate data for Darwin is available from

http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/averages/tables/cw_014015.shtml.

Accommodation: Camping is not available at the Darwin Sailing Club. There are a number of modern caravan parks within 20 minutes' drive from the Club.

Commercial accommodation is available close to the Club. A list of accommodation will be available closer to the date of the event.

Chandlery: A number of chandlers are available within the Darwin area, however there is no specific Laser chandler in Darwin. It is expected that the charter boat supplier will have parts and equipment available for purchase on site.