



Notice of Race

TEST EVENT - Laser 4.7 Youth European Championship

3-6 January 2018

Venue: Sport Sailing Club Rio IASON Patras Greece
Organizing Authority: IASON Athletic Sailing Club of Rio
Under the auspices of Hellenic Sailing Federation
and the Hellenic Laser Class Association (HLCA)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Laser class rule 7 (a) is restricted as follows: "Only one person shall be on board whilst racing. The person shall be named on the entry form."
- 1.3 Appendix P "Special Procedures for Rule 42" will apply with changes to include; allowing a jury initiated redress, a points penalty for a first penalty given after finishing and to prohibit a boat that has been disqualified for a rule 42 infringement or has retired in recognition of a rule 42 infringement from sailing in the race if that race is restarted or re-sailed.
- 1.4 Appendix T "Arbitration" will apply.
- 1.5 In all rules governing this regatta;
 - (a) (DP) denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury; and
 - (b) (NP) denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.6 (NP, DP) Advertising - The organizing authority may require competing boats to carry event sponsor advertising
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ENTRY REGULATIONS (NP, DP)

- 2.1 Only current, fully paid members of the International Laser Class Association and of a World Sailing National Authority may enter the regatta. These memberships shall be with the Laser Fleet/District Association and with the World Sailing National Authority of the country, where the sailor normally sails, even though such place may not be his permanent residence; however, such member, for any valid reason and with the approval of both District Chairmen, may select instead the Fleet/District and the World Sailing National Authority in which he has permanent residence in accordance with the ILCA Constitution, Article 10 (3) and the ILCA Class Rules, Part Two, Article 9. The sailor can only be member of one Laser Fleet/District Association.
- 2.2 Crew substitution of the registered sailor is not permitted.
- 2.3 Each sailor shall have an World Sailing Sailor ID, which is required to enter the regatta. An World Sailing Sailor ID can be obtained free of charge by registering online at: <http://members.sailing.org/sailors/profile.php>
- 2.4 Entry is restricted to competitors who are, or will be at least 12 years old but not 18 years or older in the year of the championship i.e. born in 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 or 2006. Proof of age will be required at registration.
- 2.5 Each sailor shall bring at registration a completed parent/guardian consent form. For the duration of the regatta, each sailor shall be supervised by the responsible adult named on the parent/guardian consent form.



- 2.6 The responsible adult and competitor shall register together on site at the race office before 1000 on 3 January 2018.

3. ENTRY AND FEES

- 3.1 Entries will be accepted until 11:00 on 3 January 2018 and shall be made at <http://www.europeanlaser47.eu/testevent> or at the race office.
- 3.2 The entry fee is 40€.

4. CHARTER BOATS

- 4.1 There is a limited number of charter boats available for this event at <http://www.europeanlaser47.eu/testevent>

5. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT (NP, DP)

- 5.1 All competitors shall use only one hull, sail, batten set, mast, boom, centreboard and rudder; all of which shall be identified during equipment inspection.
- 5.2 In the event of damage, boats and equipment may only be substituted with the written permission of the regatta measurer in accordance with the sailing instructions.
- 5.3 For the purposes of rule G1.1, sails shall display the national letters of the World Sailing member national authority under which the entry was accepted. This changes rule G1.1.
- 5.4 When ashore, boats shall be kept in their assigned places at the venue.
- 5.5 Boats may be required to display identification numbers.
- 5.6 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority.
- 5.7 Access to the boat park may be restricted during certain hours including the hours of darkness.

6. RACING FORMAT

- 6.1 The entries may be split into fleets and if so will sail a qualifying series followed by a final series.
- 6.2 The qualifying series will be sailed on the first and second scheduled racing day. The final series will be sailed on the third scheduled racing day.
- 6.3 A qualifying series race will not count until all qualifying series fleets have completed that race.

7. PROGRAM

02 January	13:00 - 18:00	Registration,
02 January	13:00 - 16:00	Equipment Inspection
03 January	09:00 - 11:00	Registration, Equipment Inspection
03 January	10:00	Coaches' meeting
03 January	12:00	Races
04 January	11:00	Races
05 January	11:00	Races
Prize giving as soon as possible after the races		
Any race whose warning signal is not given by 16:00 on the last day of the regatta will be abandoned.		

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available upon registration and at the official site at <http://www.europeanlaser47.eu/testevent>



9. RACE OFFICE

- 9.1 The race office is located at the IASON Athletic Sailing Club of Rio.
- 9.2 The race office will be open:
02 January, 1300 – 1800
03 – 05 January, from 1000 until 30 minutes after the close of the protest time
unless extended at the discretion of the race committee

10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION (NP, DP)

- 10.1 Information on equipment inspection will be posted on the official notice board. Boats shall be presented with all equipment that shall be used in the regatta, with the bottom mast and boom with all control lines rigged and with the sail and top section de-rigged ready for inspection.
- 10.2 Equipment inspection will take place at the boat park between the following dates and times:
02 January 13:00 - 16:00
03 January 09:00 - 11:00
- 10.3 Wet clothing and equipment checks may be made throughout the regatta at the discretion of the equipment committee.

11. COACH REGISTRATION & TEAM/COACH/SUPPORT BOATS (NP, DP)

- 11.1 All coach/support boat drivers shall register their boats and submit the names and sail numbers of the sailors they are supporting at the race office before 1000 on 03 January 2018.
- 11.2 Each coach/support boat is required to carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving all international ship-to-ship channels.
- 11.3 Coach/support boat drivers and crews shall wear a life jacket or other adequate personal buoyancy securely fastened at all times when afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy.
- 11.4 When the coach/support boat engine is running, coach/support boat drivers shall be connected to a device that will stop the engine if the boat driver falls out the boat or is otherwise not in control of the boat.
- 11.5 The movements of coach/support boats will be restricted as defined in the sailing instructions.
- 11.6 There will be a coaches meeting, open to sailors, at the meeting area, 2 hours before the first scheduled start time of the first race each day. The objective of these meetings is to receive feedback from the coaches on the regatta organization, exchange points of view and inform the coaches about changes in the sailing instructions and regatta organization in general.

12. COURSES

A trapezoid course will be used with inner and outer loops and an upwind finish. The target time for the first boat in each race will be 50 minutes.

13. WHISTLE SYSTEM

To encourage boats to take penalties afloat, jury members may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a breach of a rule.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION (DP)

A boat shall neither make radio communication while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.



15. SAFETY

Each competitor shall wear a life jacket or other adequate personal buoyancy at all times when afloat. Wet suits and dry suits do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy.

16. SCORING

- 16.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 16.2 When from four to nine races have been completed the worst race score will be excluded.
- 16.3 When a qualifying/final series is sailed:
 - a) The qualifying series races and the final series races will count for total points in the championship.
 - b) If only one final series race is completed it will not be excluded.
 - c) For the purposes of rule A4.2 "Scoring" the number of boats entered into a qualifying/finals series race will be the number of boats assigned to the largest qualifying fleet.

17. TITLES & PRIZES

- 17.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top three overall Boys, Girls regardless of their nationality.
- 17.2 Under-16 sailors are those sailors that will not become 16 or older in the year of the championship.
- 17.3 Under-16 results will be determined by the series score in the overall results. (Note: These results will be extracted from the overall results and published without recalculation.)

18. PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

By entering the regatta competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the regatta and/or using the regatta facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitor's name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.

19. LIABILITY

- 19.1 The organizing authority and all their officers, members and volunteers do not accept liability for loss of life or property, or personal injury or damage caused by or arising out of the regatta and competitors take part in the regatta at their own risk.
- 19.2 The establishment of the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibilities of a competitor being solely and entirely responsible for the management of a boat he is sailing.
- 19.3 A competitor shall maintain their boat in a safe and seaworthy condition.
- 19.4 A competitor shall be of good health and a competent sailor capable of racing a Laser 4.7 in open water in strong winds and it is his sole responsibility to decide to participate in a race or to continue racing.
- 19.5 **All competitors shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of EUR 500,000 (0.5 million Euro) per event or equivalent thereof in any other currency.**
- 19.6 A competitor is recommended to have personal accident and health insurance that covers them while attending the regatta and whilst racing.



20. INDEMNIFICATION

To the fullest extent permitted by law, each competitor agrees to indemnify the organizing authority and its owners, affiliates, officers, employees, agents, committee persons and race officials acting in their official capacities harmless, from any third-party claim to the extent arising from a competitor's acts or omissions.

21. CONTACT

Event Website <http://www.europeanlaser47.eu/testevent>

22. CHANGES TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

This Notice of Race may be subject to amendments which will be published on the event website.



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