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2018 LASER STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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South of Perth Yacht Club

Western Australian Laser Association

NOTICE OF RACE



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(Organising Authority)

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Incorporating the:

- 2018 Western Australian Laser Championship
- 2018 Western Australian Laser Radial Championship
- 2018 Western Australian Laser 4.7 Championship
- 2018 Western Australian Laser Women's Championship
- 2018 Western Australian Laser Junior, Youth & Masters Championships

NOTICE OF RACE

The South of Perth Yacht Club (SoPYC) in conjunction with the Western Australian Laser Association Inc., invites entries to the 2018 State Championships held from Saturday 3rd to Monday 5th March 2018.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the following rules:
 - a) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS),
 - b) Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 2 for off the Beach Boats,
 - c) The Class Rules (except where any of these are altered by the SI's),
 - d) Sailing Instructions (SI's)
- 1.2 Racing Rules will be changed as follows:
 - a) RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, shall apply as amended in the SI's,
 - b) RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, shall apply.
 - c) RRS 60.1(a) is changed so that NP denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat,
 - d) RRS 63.1(a), 64.1 & Appendix A5 will be amended in the SI's to enable the Race Committee to apply a standard penalty (SP) without a hearing for some breaches of the rules.

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code. Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to all boats of the Laser Standard, Laser Radial, Laser 4.7 classes.
- 3.2 All competitors shall be financial members of a yacht or sailing club affiliated with Australian Sailing or an alternative Member National Authority.
- 3.3 All competitors shall be a member of a district of the International Laser Class Association.
- 3.4 Eligibility for age group categories in any of the Junior or Youth categories shall be the competitor's age as at 31st December 2018:

Category	Age Group	Birth Year
Laser 4.7 Junior	Under 16	2003 or later
Laser 4.7 Youth	Under 18	2001 or later
Laser Radial Junior	Under 17	2002 or later
Laser Radial Youth	Under 19	2000 or later
Laser Standard Youth	Under 21	1998 or later

- 3.5 Eligibility for age group categories in the Masters Championship shall be the competitor's age at 3rd March 2018:

Category	Age Group
Apprentice Master	35 to 44
Master	45 to 54
Grand Master	55 to 64
Great Grand Master	65 to 74
Legend	75

- 3.6 Eligible boats may enter by registering online (www.sopyc.com.au). Entries close at 5pm Sunday 25th February 2018.
- 3.7 Late entries will be accepted until 5pm Thursday 1st March 2018 on payment of a late entry fee.
- 3.8 All boats shall complete registration with the Organising Authority at the times specified in NoR 5.

4. FEES PER BOAT

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows:
Entry Fee \$100.00 per boat.
Late entry fee is an additional \$50.
- 4.2 No fees are refundable after the entry closing date. Before that date, entry fees can be refunded after deducting 50% for administration expenses.
- 4.3 Fee includes a \$20 voucher for food and beverage purchases in the Quarterdeck.

5. SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	EVENT
SATURDAY 3RD MARCH	1030	Volunteer Briefing
	1050	Official Regatta Welcome
	1100	Competitor Briefing
	1300	1 st warning signal
SUNDAY 4TH MARCH	1130	Volunteer Briefing
	1300	1 st warning signal
MONDAY 5TH MARCH	0800	Volunteer Briefing
	0930	1 st Warning signal
	1200	No Warning signal after 1200 Presentations asap after racing

- 5.1 The regatta will consist of up to 8 races.
- 5.2 Three races are planned for Saturday. Three races are planned for Sunday. Two races are planned for Monday.
- 5.3 There will be no Warning Signal made after 1200 on Monday 5th March 2018.

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 Competitors shall use only one hull, sail, mast (upper and lower section), boom, centreboard and rudder.
- 6.2 Measurement checks and inspections may be carried out at any time. A Boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the Race Committee.
- 6.3 Female competitors shall carry a red rhombus above the top batten pocket on both sides of their sails as per ILCA Class Rules Part 2, Clause 4 (g).

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be published on the event website at (www.sopyc.com.au) after Wednesday 23rd February 2018 and made available at registration.

8. VENUE AND RACING AREA

- 8.1 The regatta site is at the South of Perth Yacht Club Off the Beach area.
- 8.2 The racing area is the Swan River area known as Melville Water East (MWE).
- 8.3 The regatta office, notice board and signal mast are located at the regatta site.
- 8.4 Shower/toilet and canteen facilities are available.

9. COURSES

The courses will be Trapezoid as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, shall apply as amended in the SI's,
- 10.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, shall apply.
- 10.3 RRS 60.1(a) is changed so that (NP) denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat,
- 10.4 RRS 63.1(a), 64.1 & Appendix A5 will be amended in the SI's to enable the Race Committee to apply a standard penalty (SP) without a hearing for some breaches of the rules.
- 10.5 The notation (DP) in a rule in the NoR or SI's means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.3 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. SUPPORT/COACH BOATS (DP)

- 12.1 Support and coach boats shall register online (www.sopyc.com.au) with the Organising Authority.
- 12.2 All support and coach boats shall keep clear of the racing area while boats are racing (except when rendering assistance to a boat in distress).
- 12.3 Support boats shall remain at least 50 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 12.4 All support boats are required to have a VHF radio and maintain a listening watch on VHF77 or any other channel specified by the Race Committee.
- 12.5 When requested by the Race Management Team, support boats shall render immediate assistance as and when directed.

13. PRESENTATION OF RESULTS AND PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

- 13.1 Laser class cubes and prizes shall be awarded in accordance with the ILCA bylaws. However, the number of prizes allocated in any category shall depend on the number of entries. A minimum of five (5) entries is required to constitute a category.
- 13.2 Only Western Australian residents shall be eligible for Laser class perpetual trophies. A Western Australian resident is one who meets all eligibility requirements for residency and who reasonably satisfies the Organising Authority of their long-term residency of at least one year.
- 13.3 Perpetual trophies will be awarded in accordance with ALCA policy.
- 13.4 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority and the event partners and sponsors.
- 13.5 Presentations will be held on the Quarterdeck at South of Perth Yacht Club.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn to RRS 4 "Decision to Race" which states "the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- 14.2 SoPYC is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 14.3 SoPYC as the Organising Authority, its associates and appointees 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.

15. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall have a valid insurance certificate with a third-party liability coverage of at least \$10,000,000 (or equivalent) per incident and shall be made available upon request.

16. MEDIA DISCLAIMER

Competitors agree to grant the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

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