

Leigh and Lowton Sailing Club
Laser & Masters Open Meeting
16th August 2015

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
Rule 35 and A4 are changed as described in section 14.2

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the club house.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted 20 minutes before the start of the race.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from race control above the club house.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Registration: from 1000

Competitors Briefing 1100

The scheduled time of the warning signal is: 1125

8 THE COURSES

The diagram in addendum A shows the approximate positions of the marks. The course to be sailed will be displayed on the committee boat. Red background indicates marks to be rounded to Port, Green background indicates marks to be rounded to Starboard. The letter L in the course indicates the point at which the start/finish line must be crossed each lap.

9 MARKS

The numbered orange and yellow club marks will be used as shown in Appendix A. Additionally Marks Y and A (orange inflatables) may be laid by the race committee in any position on the lake.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions: The nature reserve as shown in addendum A and any fishing tackle close to the shore.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26, and may be in one or two fleets using Numeral Pennant 1 & 2 respectively for the warning signals.

11.2 The starting line will be the transit between the mast on the committee boat carrying an orange flag and a dan buoy carrying an orange flag.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

There will be no changes to the course after the race has started with the exception of the positioning of marks Y & A which can be moved in accordance with RRS.

13 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between the mast on the committee boat and a dan buoy carrying an orange flag.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Under the provisions of the RYA racing charter, competitors can request an arbitration hearing.

14.2 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

14.3 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the protesting competitor has finished the session in which the incident occurred or 30 minutes after the last boat has finished, whichever is the sooner.

14.4 Notices will be posted as soon as possible to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

14.5 Teams penalised under the RYA arbitration system will be given a 20% penalty and those penalised as a result of a full protest hearing will be disqualified.

15 SCORING

Places will be awarded based on final finishing position with Lasers and Masters' fleets scored separately. There will be one discard allowed if all 3 races are completed.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

19 INSURANCE

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

ADDENDUM A

Race Area

