

# Notice of Race (2010 Issue 3)

## UK Laser Standard, Radial & 4.7 National & Open Championships 2010

The 2010 UK Laser Standard, Laser Radial & Laser 4.7 National & Open Championships will be hosted by Mount's Bay Sailing Club (MBSC) from 21<sup>st</sup> August to 27<sup>th</sup> August 2010

1. **THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY:**  
The Organising Authority will be MBSC in conjunction with the International Laser UK Class Association (UKLA).
2. **RACING RULES:**  
The Championships will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the RYA, the International Laser Class rules and the Sailing Instructions (SIs).
3. **ADVERTISING:**  
The Championships are a Category C event, according to Regulation 20 of the ISAF Regulations, therefore unrestricted.
4. **LIABILITY AND INSURANCE:**  
An owner/person in charge/crew is entirely responsible for his/her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility. It is for the owner/person in charge /crew to decide whether he/she is fit to sail in the conditions in which he/she will find himself/herself. By launching or going to sea, the owner/person in charge /crew confirms that **both their boat and** he/she is fit for those conditions and that he/she is competent to sail and compete in them. The owner/person in charge/crew is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000 for the duration of this event. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owner/ person in charge/crew nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the owner/person in charge/crew taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the owner/person in charge/crew of his/her responsibilities. The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of the owner/person in charge/crew set out in this paragraph.
5. **ELIGIBILITY:**  
Only current members of the International Laser Class Association may enter the Championships and the person and boat stated on the Entry Form will be the only person that shall compete in that boat during this event.
6. **ENTRY FORMS:**
  - 6.1 Entry Forms are available on the International Laser UK Class Association website ([www.laser.org.uk](http://www.laser.org.uk)) and from the International Laser UK Class Association Secretary.
  - 6.2 Completed forms must be returned, with the appropriate entry fee, to: Dorothy Beadsworth (UKLA Secretary)  
Culverness Cottage, Bayton Common,  
Kidderminster, Worcs. DY14 9NU
7. **ENTRY FEES:**
  - 7.1 The Entry Fee is £147 payable by cheque to the UKLA (or by credit card online), and to be received by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2010,
  - 7.2 The entry fee received after 31<sup>st</sup> July, but by 20<sup>th</sup> August 2010, will be £177. Entries received after the 20<sup>th</sup> August 2010 will be £200.
  - 7.3 No entry fee is refundable after the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2010 except at the sole discretion of the organising authority after the deduction of administration expenses of £15.00.
8. **REGISTRATION:**  
Registration will take place in the MBSC clubhouse at the following times:  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2010 from 1000 to 1230 & 1400 to 1700;  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2010 from 10.00 to 1230.
9. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**  
Copies of the Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.
10. **COURSES:**  
Courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.  
  
It is expected that the Standard and 4.7 fleets will sail on the same course, but which will be different to that of the Radial fleet. Fleets may alternate between 'inner' and 'outer' sailing areas on a daily basis.
11. **RACING PROGRAMME:**  
Unless otherwise stated, there will be 10 races in addition to a practice race on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2010. It is anticipated that there will be 2 races per day for each Class, except on Friday when there will be one. The warning signal for Race 1, which will follow the practice race, will not be made before 13.25 hrs on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2010. It is intended that the warning signal for the first race on each subsequent day will be at 10.55 with races sailed back-to-back and with a maximum of three races on any one day.  
  
However, if numbers are high in any fleet (most probably the Radial Fleet), it may be split into three groups. In this case, there will be a qualifier series of eight races and a final series of four races. There will be two races on the Sunday and two races on each day thereafter. It is intended that the warning signal for Race 1, which will replace any practice race, will be made at 12.00 hrs on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2010. Groups will vary daily except in the final series.
12. **PENALTIES:**  
Alternative penalties will be allowed and an on-the-water protest committee will operate as described in the SIs.
13. **MEASUREMENT:**  
Random measurement checks may be carried out during the Championship at the discretion of the UKLA Nominated Measurer.
14. **SCORING:**  
The system of scoring will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
15. **SUPPORT BOATS:**  
No support, coach or safety boat will be permitted to tow competitors to or from the race area without the express permission of the Principal Race Officer, or the Event Safety Officer. Failure to follow this rule will result in the competitor being disqualified from the closest race, excluding discards.
16. **PRIZES:**  
A list of prizes to be awarded will be described in the Sailing Instructions.  
  
Any fleet, which is not actually split, will be *divided* into gold, silver and bronze divisions at the end of the fourth day's racing. The fleet will continue to race as a single fleet, but, at the end of the event, prizes will be awarded for the highest three placed in the silver and bronze divisions.
17. **SOCIAL PROGRAMME:**  
The full programme of evening entertainment will be listed in the Championship Programme to be issued at Registration.
18. **CHANGES TO NOTICE OF RACE**  
This Notice of Race may be changed in accordance with RRS 89.2 (a). See also RRS 63.7 "Conflict between Rules".