

Fall Laser Regatta
September 12th & 13th, 2020
Organizing Authority: American Yacht Club
499 Stuyvesant Ave, Rye, NY

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. US Sailing Prescriptions to rules 60.3, 63.2, and 63.4 shall not apply.
- 1.3. RRS Appendix T "Arbitration" shall apply.
- 1.4. Racing Rules Race Signals will be changed as follows: Competitors shall be required to wear USCG Approved Personal Floatation Devices at all times. This changes Rule 40. Changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.5. It is recommended that all boats carry a floating towline, minimum 3/8" diameter x 30 feet long to be used in case of emergency.

2. REGATTA WEBSITE

The regatta website is www.americanyc.org.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1. The regatta is open to all Lasers of the following classes:

Laser Standard

Laser Radial

Laser 4.7

- 3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1pp7Sel0ozA2XEAEhj0caAMP2k0taPlN5v81x5XpUBVA by September 8, 2020.
- 3.3. Late entries will be accepted until 2000 on September 11, 2020 and will be subject to an additional \$20 entry fee.

4. FEES

- 4.1 Entry fee is \$65 per boat and includes registration and a hat.
- 4.2 American YC members may pay the entry fee with their audit number. Visiting sailors with reciprocal privileges may pay using their club's audit number or by sending a check payable to 'American Yacht Club' to American Yacht Club, 499 Stuyvesant Avenue, Rye, NY 10580.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. Registration will be completed online and competitors are asked to check in with the Race Committee on the water before racing each day.
- 5.2. All classes are scheduled to race on September 12 and 13.
- 5.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on each day is 1030.
- 5.4. The Race Committee intends to run multiple races each day.
- 5.5. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.
- 5.6 There will be no social events or awards presentations on shore at American Yacht Club.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 0800 on September 9, 2020 on the Regatta Website.

7. VENUE

- 7.1 Appendix A shows the location of the racing areas.
- 7.2 Due to the current protocols in place to help curb the spread of COVID-19, only club members are permitted on club property. At this time there will be no moorings, dockage, or boat storage available on the grounds for non-members. We appreciate your understanding.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 Classes will sail windward-leeward courses. If more than 12 boats have entered then the course will include a windward offset mark and a leeward gate.
- 8.2 The course area will be in the vicinity of the Red Bell 42.

9. FORMAT

9.1 It is the intention of the Race Committee to start all classes together and score them separately. If more than 8 boats of any single class have entered then that class may have a separate start at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 As many races as possible are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- 11.1 To the top 3 finishers overall in Standard, Radial, and 4.7.
- 11.2 To the top finishers in the High School (18 and under) and may offer other awards in the Apprentice 35-44, Master 45-54, Grand Master 55-64 and Great Grand Master 65+

12. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY, WAIVER & RELEASE

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed, or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree, understand and accept, for themselves and their respective successors, assigns,

representatives, administrators, executors, agents, heirs or any person acting or purporting to act on their behalf ("Releasors") that sailing is an inherently dangerous and unpredictable activity due to multiple factors that cannot be anticipated or predicted with certainty, including but not limited to weather, equipment failure or malfunction, and the actions of others on or off the water. Releasors also agree, understand and accept that sailing presents inherent risks of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death, whether by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss. Accordingly, and in consideration for being permitted to enter into and participate in this or any other sailing event sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, Releasors forever release and waive, to the fullest extent allowed by law, any and all claims, actions, accounts, causes of action and choses in action, whether in law, equity or admiralty, that Releasors now have, may have had or may come to have, against American Yacht Club, including its officers, directors, trustees, members, employees, agents, volunteers, staff, committees, and anyone acting on its behalf ("Releasees"), for anything arising out of or relating to Releasors' participation in such sailing events. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, and without in any way limiting or lessening the effect or breadth of the foregoing release and waiver, and solely for the avoidance of doubt and clarification, Releasors agree, acknowledge and understand that this release and waiver applies to any and all claims of any kind at all against Releasees arising out of or relating to injuries, deaths, damage to vessels or damage to personal property sustained during or as a result of any and all sailing events sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club.

13. NOTE TO SAILORS AND FAMILIES

We ask that all sailors wear face masks on shore and while launching. Please do your best to stay at least 6 feet apart on shore. We appreciate your cooperation and look forward to seeing you out on the water.

Appendix A

