

**SAILING  
INSTRUCTIONS**  
**Open Dutch & ILCA Euromasters Championship**

Laser Masters  
Organised by WSV Hoorn  
Under the auspices of the Royal Netherlands Watersport Association  
(RNWA)

From 21<sup>st</sup> May to 24<sup>th</sup> May (inclusive) 2020

Location: Hoornse Hop – Hoorn

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[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury.

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing”

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). The Prescriptions of the RNWA will apply and can be found at [www.sailing.org/documents/racingrules/national\\_prescriptions.php](http://www.sailing.org/documents/racingrules/national_prescriptions.php)
- 1.2 The ‘Rules for Championships. Sailing, Windsurfing and Kiteboarding’ will apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.4 Every person on board who has its domicile in the Netherlands shall have the required license.
- 1.5 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.”
- 1.6 Appendix P will apply as amended in instruction 14.
- 1.7 Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.


**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at the yacht club WSV Hoorn.

**3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at flag mast located in front of the clubhouse of the yacht club WSV Hoorn.
- 4.2 When flag AP  is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 30 minutes’ in the race signal AP.

**5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 Dates and number of races

Date:	Class: Laser Standard	Class: Laser Radial & 4.7
21 <sup>st</sup> May	2 races	2 races
22 <sup>st</sup> May	3 races	3 races
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	3 races	3 races
24 <sup>th</sup> May	2 races	2 races

One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule. This change of schedule will be made according SI 3.

**5.2** The scheduled time of the warning signal of the races on each day is:

21st May	Race 1	Laser Standard	Warning signal 12:55 hours
		Laser Radial/4.7	5 minutes after a valid start of the Laser Standard
	Race 2	Laser Standard	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 1
		Laser Radial/4.7	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 1
22nd May	Race 3	Laser Standard	Warning signal 10:25 hours
		Laser Radial/4.7	5 minutes after a valid start of the Laser Standard
	Race 4	Laser Standard	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 3
		Laser Radial/4.7	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 3
	Race 5	Laser Standard	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 4
		Laser Radial/4.7	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 4
23rd June	Race 6	Laser Standard	Warning signal 10:25 hours
		Laser Radial/4.7	5 minutes after a valid start of the Laser Standard
	Race 7	Laser Standard	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 6
		Laser Radial/4.7	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 6
	Race 8	Laser Standard	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 7
		Laser Radial/4.7	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 7
24th June	Race 9	Laser Standard	Warning signal 10:25 hours
		Laser Radial/4.7	5 minutes after a valid start of the Laser Standard
	Race 10	Laser Standard	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 9
		Laser Radial/4.7	A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 9

**5.3** To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

**5.4** On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 14:00 hours.

**6 CLASS FLAGS**

Class:	Flag:
Laser Standard	White with Red Laser logo
Laser Radial & 4.7	Green with Red Laser logo

**7 RACING AREAS**

Attachment A shows the location of racing area.

**8 THE COURSES**

The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The approximate course length will be 45 minutes.

**9 MARKS**

**9.1** Marks of the course are: orange. Only mark 1A (spreader) will be a small yellow buoy.

**9.2** The starting marks will be a buoy with staff displaying an orange flag at the port side and an orange flag on the starting vessel at the starboard side.

**9.3** The finishing marks will be a buoy with staff displaying an orange flag and a orange flag on the finishing vessel.

**10 ABANDONING A RACE**

Under RRS 32.1, the race committee may abandon the race because of a major wind shift or irregular winds or when the wind speed drops below 5 knots (2.5 m/s) as measured by the race committee. Any action or no action by the race committee under this instruction will not be grounds for redress under RRS 60.1(b).

**11 THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 RRS with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a buoy with staff displaying an orange flag at the port side and an orange flag on the starting vessel at the starboard side.
- 11.3 (DP, NP)Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 11.5 An inner limit mark (ILM) may be used. If an ILM is used the string line as described in RRS 28.2 must not cross the line between the ILM and the staff on the committee signal boat displaying the orange flag. Mark ILM is a starting mark as prescribed in the preamble to RRS, part 2, section C.
- 11.6 For the purposes of RRS 30.4 a race is 'restarted or resailed' when it has the same race number as a previously abandoned or recalled race, even if the race is resailed on a later date

**12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes RRS 28.1.
- 12.3 The course may be shortened to finish at a rounding mark or a gate provided 4 or more legs have been sailed on an outer course and at least 3 or more legs have been completed on an inner course (excluding the leg between mark 1 and mark 1A).

**13 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a buoy with a staff displaying an orange flag and the orange flag on the finishing vessel

**14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 Appendix P will apply with the following changes:
  - (a) If a first penalty is signalled after a boat has crossed the finish line, a scoring penalty of 10% of the score for did not finish rounded to a whole number (rounding 0.5 upward) will be added to the boats score. However, she shall not be scored worse than DSQ.
  - (b) RRS P3 is replaced with "If a boat has been penalised for the first time under RRS P1.2 and the race is restarted or resailed the penalty is cancelled, but it is counted to determine the number of times she has been penalised during the regatta. This changes RRS 36."
  - (c) RRS P4 is replaced with "An action by the jury under RRS P1.2 shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat. The jury may initiate a redress hearing and may give redress for an action under RRS P1.2 by a member of the jury or its designated observer". This changes RRS 60.1(b).
- 14.2 A boat that has either retired from or been disqualified in a race for a second or subsequent breach of RRS 42 shall not compete in that race if it is restarted or resailed. For the purposes of this instruction a race is 'restarted or resailed' when it has the same race number as a previously abandoned or recalled race, even if the race is resailed on a later date.  
If she competes in that race, she shall be disqualified without a hearing and that score shall not be excluded (DNE) and the jury will consider calling a hearing under RRS 69.1(a).  
This means:

Yellow Flag	Immediate penalty	After a general recall or a postponement or an abandonment	No action by boat	After a general recall or a postponement or an abandonment
1e	1st Two turns/ 10% ( SI 14.1(a))	Can restart	DSQ	Shall not restart if notified of the DSQ
2e	Retire (RET)	Shall not restart	DNE Race	Can not restart
3e	Retire (DNE)	Shall not restart	DNE Regatta	Can not restart

## 15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 Time limits are as follows:

Class	Time limit Mark 1	Time limit	Target time
Laser Standard	30 minutes	75 minutes	45 minutes
Laser Radial/4.7	30 minutes	75 minutes	45 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

- 15.2 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)
- 15.3 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## 16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the regatta office located at the clubhouse of the Yacht club WSV Hoorn. Protests and request for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the juryroom, located at the yacht club W.S.V. Hoorn Julianapark 1 1621 MR HOORN NH, beginning a.s.a.p. after the last race of the day.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b) RRS.
- 16.5 A list of boats that, under SI 14 have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- 16.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2 RRS.
- 16.7 A request for a decision in writing has to be delivered within one hour after the decision is given verbally. This changes RRS 65.2.
- 16.8 A request for correction of an error in the published results has to be delivered to the R.C. within the protest time limit of the last scheduled day of racing or within 60 minutes after posting of the results, if this is later. The boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form, available at the race office. When the request is not granted, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the boat is informed that the request is not granted. This changes RRS 62.2.

## 17 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.

## 18 SCORING

- 18.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.2 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her Race scores.
- (b) When 5, 6, 7 or 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## 19 SAFETY (NP, DP)

- 19.1 Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device 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. This changes RRS 40.



- 19.2 Competitors who require assistance should wave one arm with hand open. If no assistance is required, the arm should be waved with fist closed.
- 19.3 If considered necessary a competitor may be ordered by a race organization vessel to abandon his or her boat and board a patrol vessel.
- 19.4 A boat that retires from a race shall notify a race committee, safety/patrol or jury boat as soon as possible and the race office immediately after returning to the shore.

20 & 21 SPARE

## 22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows: with flag with "RC" or "JURY"

## 23 [NP][DP] SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## 24 [NP][DP] TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

25 & 25 SPARE

## 27 [NP][DP] RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 28 PRIZES

28.1 The helmsman of the winning boat of the championship (standard - and radial fleet) acquire the title "Dutch Champion" and receive the accompanying medal and the Blue Pennant of the RNWA. The helmsman of the boats that are placed second and third in their fleet (standard and radial) acquire also medal(s) of the RNWA.

28.2 Other prizes will be given as follows:

### Standard fleet:

- Apprentices
- Masters
- Grand Masters
- Great Grand Masters

### 4.7 fleet:

- Overall

### Radial fleet:

- Apprentices
- Masters
- Masters
- Great Grand Masters
- Legends
- Ladies

## 29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4 .Decision to Race.

29.1 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. Competitors take part in the regatta at their own risk.

29.2 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.

29.3 All competitors shall maintain their boats in a safe and seaworthy condition.

29.4 A competitor shall be of good health and a competent sailor capable of racing a Laser Standard or Laser Radial/4.7 in open water in all conditions including strong winds.

- 29.5 At-fault occurrences to other boats are the responsibility of the helmsman. Competitors are not covered by any liability insurance provided by the organizing authority and should provide their own coverage for personal goods and liability protection. The organizing authority recommends that competitors consult their own insurance carriers to assure they are covered at this event and regarding additional personal liability insurance coverage.
- 29.6 A competitor is recommended to have personal accident and health insurance that covers him while attending the regatta and while racing.

**30 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of **their arrival at the venue, until their final departure**, without compensation.

**31 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 1.500.000per event or the equivalent.

**32 ORGANISATION**

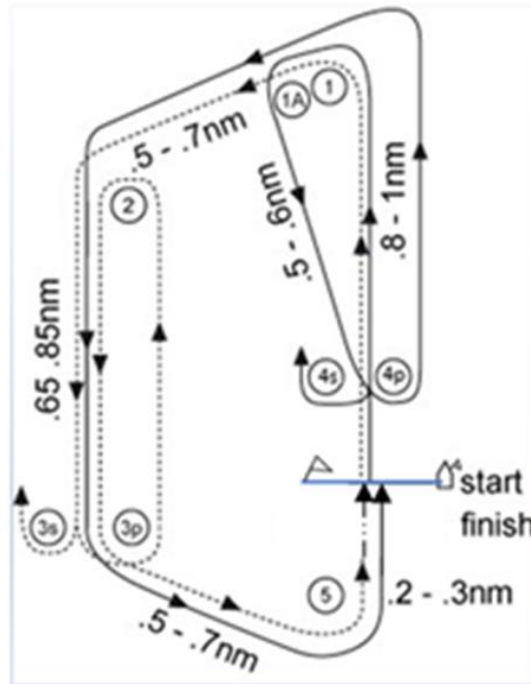
The race officer is: Allert Mastenbroek  
The chairman of the protest committee is: Joep Straus

**ATTACHMENT A**



**ATTACHMENT B**

**COURSE DIAGRAM**



**Course Outer Loop:**

Start – 1 – 2 – 3P/3S – 2 -3P/3S – 5 – Finish

**Course Inner Loop:**

Start – 1 – 1A – 4P/4S – 1 – 2 -3P/3S – 5 – Finish

All indicated distances between marks are recommended: the shorter up to 9 Kn wind speed; the longest over 9 Kn and have to be balanced considering of the current an all other sea conditions to reach the time target of 45 minutes.

**MARKS**

- Mark 1,2,3,4, 5 will be orange buoys
- Mark 1A, will be a small yellow buoy
- Starting marks The starting line will be between a buoy with a staff displaying an orange flag and the orange flag on the starting vessel
- Finish marks The finishing line will be between a buoy with a staff displaying an orange flag and the orange flag on the finishing vessel