

KZN LASER CLASS PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Incorporating
LASER, LASER RADIAL, and LASER 4.7 CLASS PROVINCIAL
CHAMPIONSHIPS 2006
TO BE HELD AT ZULULAND YACHT CLUB
From 29th July to 30th July 2006

NOTICE OF RACE

Notice is hereby given that the above sailing event is scheduled to take place at the Zululand Yacht Club from the 29th July to 30th July 2006, both dates inclusive, and race entries are invited in terms of this Notice.

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The regatta is organized by the Zululand Yacht Club in association with the KZN Laser Class Association under the authority and sanction of Sailing KZN.

2. CLASSES

Provincial Championship Classes: Laser, Laser Radial, and Laser 4.7

3. RULES

The Regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2005- 2008 of the International Sailing Association Federation (ISAF) subject to any changes made in terms of this Notice.

The Championship requirements of Sailing KZN.

The Class Rules of all competing classes, subject to changes made in terms of this Notice.

This Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

Where relevant, precedence shall be in the reverse order of the above listing.

4. ADVERTISING

Category C will apply in terms of the ISAF advertising code RRS Appendix 1 Regulation 20.

5. ELIGIBILITY

Competitors in the Championship classes shall comply with RRS Appendix 2 regulation 21, which requires that the helmsman and all other crew shall be members in good standing of a yacht club affiliated to and in good standing with South African Sailing

(SAS). The name of the Yacht Club shall be stated on the Entry Form, and current valid SAS membership cards must be presented at Registration.

Furthermore, skippers shall be members of the National Laser Class Association. Competitors, whose names do not appear on the official SA Sailing class list for 2006 as having paid the annual class subscription fee for 2006, shall pay the prescribed fee before registration.

6. MEASUREMENT CERTIFICATES

Each competing yacht in the Championship Classes shall hold a valid class measurement or registration certificate issued or accepted by SAS, the number of which shall be stated on the entry form. A copy of the certificate shall be submitted with the entry form and the original thereof shall be available for inspection at Registration.

7. ENTRIES

Entries shall be submitted on the Entry Form attached to this Notice of Race accompanied by the Entry Fee of R150.00 together with copies of the appropriate registration certificates, to reach the Race Secretary not later than close of business, 30th June 2006 at the address below. Entries received thereafter will be subject to a surcharge of R50.00 and will be accepted up until the close of registration and entries at the venue. A parent or guardian must countersign entry forms if the competitor is under the age of 18 years on the first day of the regatta.

Entries shall be submitted to: -

The regatta secretary	Tel: 035 788 0256
P.O. Box 10387	Fax: 035 7880254
Meerensee	Email: zlyc@intekom.co.za
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Payment of entry fees may be made in cash, by cheque or by direct/electronic deposit to the regatta account. Where direct deposit is used, evidence of the deposit must be furnished with the entry form.

Account Name:	Zululand Yacht Club
Bank	Standard Bank, Richards Bay
Branch/Code	058030
Account No.	060319402

8. SCRUTINY of EQUIPMENT

All yachts competing in the Provincial Class Championships shall, if requested, be made available for scrutiny by official Class measurers for compliance with the Class Rules. Substitution of damaged equipment may be permitted, after written approval of the Race Committee

9. REGISTRATION.

Entries shall be confirmed by registration with the regatta secretary at the Race Office at the main Clubhouse between 08h00 and 10h00 on Saturday 29th July at which time entries will close.

Competitors may at any time, but before the close of registration at 10h00 on Saturday 29th July 2006, elect to change their entry to a Laser Class that has complied with the Provincial Championship requirements set out below, whereafter no further changes are permissible.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

Sailing Instructions will be available from the regatta secretary at registration.

11. PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of **ten** valid entries received one hour before the scheduled starting time of the first race, at least ten finishers in any one race of the series and at least four races completed in a class will be required for the event in the class to qualify as a Provincial Championship.

12. SCHEDULE OF RACING

The races are scheduled on an Olympic Triangle course Offshore Richards Bay. Should the race committee deem conditions offshore unsafe, racing will be moved into the Bay area of Richards Bay Harbour.

The first race on Saturday 29th July 2006 will not start before 10H30. The last race on Sunday 30th July 2006 will not start after 13h30, unless racing is required in order to constitute a Championship and, in the opinion of the race officer, such racing will be possible, in which case, the last race shall not start after 15h00. A maximum of eight races are scheduled

13. SAFETY EQUIPMENT.

All competing yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements. The wearing of personal buoyancy aids is compulsory for all competitors at all times whilst on the water.

14. SCORING.

The 'Low Points' scoring system RRS Appendix A4 will be used in all classes.

A minimum of FOUR races shall be completed.

If four races are completed, all race results will count.

If FIVE or more races are completed, ONE race result shall be discarded for every five races completed.

15. PRIZES, AWARDS & PRIZE GIVING.

Prize giving will take place on Sunday 30th July 2006, in the ZYC clubhouse approximately 1,5 hours after the finish of the last race.

Sailing KZN medals will be presented to competitors in accordance with the Sailing KZN requirements for Provincial Championships in accordance with the following table and subject to the classes qualifying for Provincial Championship status:

Yachts finishing at least 1 race	Medal
Minimum 10	Gold and Silver
11 or more	Gold, Silver and Bronze

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed skippers in the following categories of each class where applicable and relevant.

Youth (Under 19)

Ladies

Apprentice Masters (35 – 44 years)

Masters (45 – 54 years)

Grand Masters (55 – 64 years)

Great Grand Masters (65 years and over)

If no more than 7 competitors of a category finish any one race then only the 1st and 2nd placed skippers in that category shall be awarded a prize. If no more than 4 competitors of a category finish any one race then only the first placed skipper in that category will be awarded a prize.

Other prizes and awards may be presented at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.

16. LIABILITY

Participation in this event is entirely at the risk of competitors and no responsibility for damage or injury resulting there from will rest with the organising authority, class associations, or any persons concerned with the conduct of the regatta.

17. GENERAL INFORMATION

This information does not form part of the Notice of Race.

Camping will be available at Zululand Yacht Club on a "first come first served" basis. There are a limited number of stands available with electricity points. Costs for camping at the club will be R100.00 per competitor or family thereof for the duration of the Regatta. Please direct any queries to Steve Martin, Cell 0825734122, email stevem@bell.co.za.

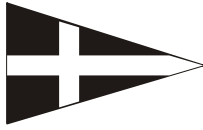
For details of the numerous Hotels, and Bed and Breakfast establishments in the area log onto:

<http://www.richemp.org.za/TulipuMhlathuzelnternet/Default.aspx?page=210>

<http://www.richardsbayaccommodation.co.za>

Catering facilities will be available for Breakfasts, lunches and suppers. Bar facilities will also be available from both the main bar and the wet deck bar (weather permitting).

A social bring and braai is scheduled for Saturday evening. Braai packs will be on sale. Rolls and salads will be provided.



ENTRY FORM
KZN LASER CLASS PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
 ZULULAND YACHT CLUB, 29th July to 30th July 2006

BLOCK CAPITALS

Skipper: _____ Club: _____ DOB: _____
dd/mm/yyyy

Registration or

Class: _____ Measurement certificate number: _____
 Please state Std, Radial or 4.7

Category: _____ Sail No.: _____ Boat name: _____
 See para 3 of NoR, please state Youth, Lady, Master etc

Contact postal address: _____
 _____ Post Code: _____

Phone number Home: (_____) _____ Cell: _____

E-mail address: _____
 Please print VERY clearly

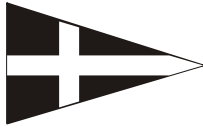
I agree to be bound by the rules of the ISAF, the SA Sailing prescription thereto, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and the Rules of the Laser Class Association.

I acknowledge that participation in this regatta is entirely at the competitors' own risk and no responsibility for damage, injury or loss from participating in this regatta will rest with the Organising and National Authorities, Organising Committee, the Class Association, the host Club, or any person or agent of these bodies.

Skipper Sign: _____ Date: _____ Guardian: _____
dd/mm/yyyy In the case of minors

Please post to The Regatta Secretary - Laser Provincials, Zululand Yacht Club, PO Box 10387, Meerensee, 3901 with R150.00 cheque or fax to 035 7880254 and fax proof of payment to The Treasurer on fax no. 035 7880254. Normal entries close 30th June 2006. Thereafter a late entry R50.00 surcharge will apply until the end of Registration at 10h00 on 29th July 2006 when entries will close.

- Club Membership SAS Card & Boat Sticker Measurement Certificate Entry Fee



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2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS.

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located in the Zululand Yacht Club.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09h00 on the day that it will take effect, except that a change to the schedule of races will be posted by 18h00 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE.

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff on the lawn near to the dinghy launch site.

When the flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the RRS race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES.

The first race on Saturday 29th July 2006 will not start before 10H30 and the last race on Sunday 30th July 2006 will not start after 13h30, unless racing is required in order to constitute a Championship and, in the opinion of the race officer, such

racing will be possible, in which case, the last race shall not start after 15h00. A maximum of eight races are scheduled.

The start time for the first race on Sunday 30th July 2006 will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 18h00 on the day before it will take effect.

The code flag "R" displayed on the committee boat at the end of a race shall indicate that the next race will be sailed soon after the last boat in the current race has finished. The next warning signal will be made one minute after the lowering of the "R" with one sound signal.

The code flags "AP" over "H" displayed on the committee boat at the finish of a race shall indicate that competitors shall return to shore where further signals will be made in due course.

6. CLASS FLAGS & STARTING ORDER.

The following Class Flags and starting order shall apply.

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|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 1 st Start | Laser std (All categories) | Red Class Insignia on White Background
(See Appendix A) |
| 2 nd Start | Laser Radial (All Categories) | Red Class Insignia on Green Background
(See Appendix A) |
| 3 rd Start | Laser 4.7 (All Categories) | Red Class Insignia on Yellow Background
(See Appendix A) |

7. RACING AREA.

The approximate racing area shall be offshore Richards Bay, North or South of the breakwaters depending on the prevailing winds. Should the race committee deem conditions offshore unsafe, racing will be moved into the Bay area of Richards Bay Harbour.

8. THE COURSE.

The course for all classes shall be the official Olympic course. Competitors shall round the marks in the following order, leaving all marks to Port, S-1-2-3-1-3-1-2-3-F. See Appendix B attached to these instructions.

The Race Committee will endeavour to lay a course that that should take competitors 45 to 55 minutes to complete

9. MARKS.

Marks 1,2 & 3 will be Red Cylindrical shaped marks. The Start and Finish pin mark will be a Yellow Cylindrical mark.

10. THE START.

Races will be started using RRS 26. The warning signal for each succeeding class will be made with the starting signal of the preceding class.

The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the Starboard end and the start mark on the Port end.

Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all yachts whose warning signal has been made.

A yacht starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored **Did Not Compete**. This changes rule A4.1.

11. THE FINISH.

The finishing line shall be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee boat at the Starboard end and the Finish Mark at the Port end.

The Race Committee may shorten the course at a mark by displaying the code flag S and the appropriate Class Flag(s), with two sound signals before the leading yacht of the class concerned has reached that mark. Yachts of that class (those classes) shall then finish at the prescribed Finish Line.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM.

RRS 67 shall be applied and a boat that has broken RRS 42 shall be penalized without a hearing and a disqualification under this rule shall not be excluded from the boat's series score.

13. TIME LIMIT

Yachts failing to finish within twenty minutes of the first yacht in her class shall be scored **Did Not Finish**. This changes rule 35 and A4.1.

14. PROTESTS.

Protests shall be written on forms available at the race office and delivered there before the protest time limit.

The "**Protest Time limit**" is 60 minutes from the time the last yacht finishing the race or that series of back-to-back races.

Protests wherever possible, will be heard promptly and in the order of receipt. Protest notices will be posted on the official Notice Board as soon as possible after the end of the protest time limit, to inform competitors of the time of the protest hearing(s).

On the last day of the regatta, a request for the reopening of a hearing shall be delivered, within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day, or no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

15. SCORING.

The 'Low Points' scoring system RRS Appendix A4 will be used in all classes.

A minimum of FOUR races shall be completed.

If four races are completed, all race results will count.

If more than FIVE races are completed, ONE race result shall be discarded for every five races

16. PRIZES.

Prize Giving will be held after the last race on Sunday 30th July 2006.

Sailing KZN Provincial Championship Medals will be awarded to the skipper subject to the following requirements:

10 finishers in any one race:	Gold & Silver medals
11 or more finishers in any one race:	Gold Silver and Bronze medals

17. SAFETY EQUIPMENT.

All skippers shall sign a declaration certifying compliance of their yacht with the safety equipment requirements of the Notice of Race.

18. OFFICIALS

Race Committee Chairman : Steve Martin

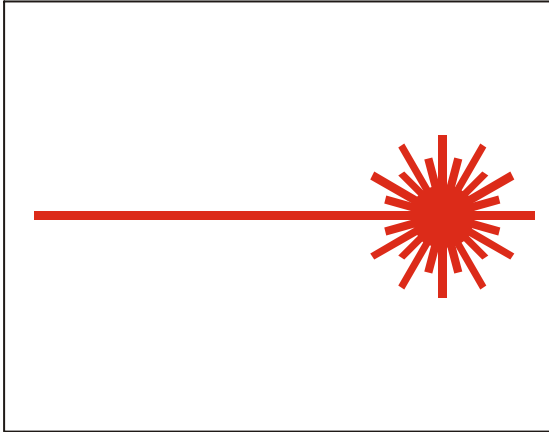
Principal Race Officer : Mike Leigh

Protest Chairman : Rob Walker

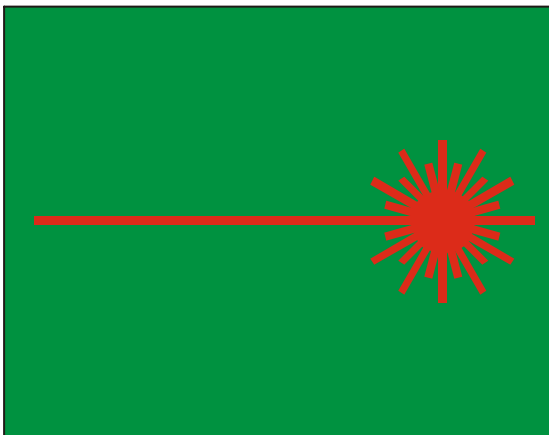
APPENDIX A

Class Flags

Laser



Laser Radial



Laser 4.7



APPENDIX B: COURSE CARD

Olympic Triangular Course S-1-2-3-1-3-1-2-3-F

