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If you are not an ILCA member consider joining us by contacting your national Laser association through the contacts list on our website.



**Eric Faust**  
ILCA World Executive Secretary



# From our President

## A boat for Life in a Lifetime Sport

In 2019 the Laser Class enters its 47th year of existence and will this Summer crown its 46th World Champion, and notably its 39th female world champion (having first recognized a female world champion in 1980)! What is really different now is that this Summer will see world championships conferred upon competitors in the 4.7, Radial and Standard classes, some 11 champions in all! This is quite an achievement for what is now the most popular single-handed sailing dinghy in the world. And be sure that as the Laser Class looks forward to its 50th birthday it is also working hard to make sure the next 50 years see continued growth.



2019 is the penultimate year in the current quadrennium leading to the XXXII Olympiad to be sailed in Fujisawa, Japan and is the year that Olympic hopefuls from around the world are really hitting their stride. This will mark the seventh games for the Laser Standard since its first appearance at the XXVI Olympiad held in Atlanta, Georgia in 1996, and the fourth games for the Laser Radial since its first appearance at the XXIX Olympiad held in Beijing, China in 2008. Both are firmly established as the Olympic singlehanded dinghies for the men and women and are the most popular of the Olympic classes. If the first year is any indication, the remaining two years leading to the games are going to be very exciting! More important, we look forward to several more Olympic games for both!

The Laser was not a young class when it was first chosen for the Olympics but it was certainly ready. It has opened the door to Olympic sailing for a number of new countries and continues to do so year on year. The "Laser Formula" of three rigs for one hull has developed into 3 classes (Laser 4.7, Radial and Standard) for different weight ranges of sailors. It provides a low-cost pathway through age and weight growth and sailing development from the Optimist to the Olympics. This has helped the Laser grow to where it is today with many of the over 200,000 Lasers still in action in over 120 countries.

Laser is the boat for life. It has a special charm that excites the holiday maker sailing off a sunny beach and technically challenges the racing sailor to continually develop their boat and sail trim to get to the front of a racing fleet. The one design rules are a great leveller where the competition is close – respect must be earned and friendships are born that last a lifetime.

Not everyone will make it to the front of a Laser fleet but the racing is fun and lessons learned will always serve them well. Some will go on to try their hands at Olympic level competition in other classes. Many will continue to sail their boats at the club level and eventually move into Laser Masters sailing where they will find new competition and friends on national and international circuits.

All of this is held together by the true strength of the Laser Class - its members, in particular the many who share their love of Laser sailing by volunteering their time to organize and run events and help to keep Laser sailing the best racing to be found anywhere!

We have something very special in sailing.

**Tracy Usher**  
ILCA President

In the pages of this handbook you will find an enormous amount of useful information:

- ★ The Laser Class Rules to help you understand what you can (and can't) do to rig your boat for racing,
- ★ Contact information for District Associations, Class Measurers, Class Officers and the ILCA office,
- ★ ILCA guidelines and policies for major championship events,
- ★ The ILCA Constitution to better understand the organization of the association,
- ★ Useful hints and tricks gleaned from years of experience,
- ★ And, finally, a list of all champions from ILCA World Championships to help provide incentive!

# Go Sailing, Go Racing

Sailing is great but Laser sailing is a little bit more special. You are completely in control and when you want a challenge you go out in stronger and stronger winds until you are flying across waves and through spray, experiencing the most exhilarating ride of your life. When you are able to do that while comparing your skills against other sailors in competition, the excitement is multiplied. The simple joy of Laser sailing is what launched the boat to success when it was introduced. And it is the fact that you can find active Laser sailors all over the world to sail with and compete against that keeps the Laser the most popular boat of its type world wide.

If you need a little help learning about the boat there are a number of books and many on-line resources covering all aspects of Laser sailing and racing. But for many of us, the best way to get to know your boat better is to go racing. It also means you can meet like-minded sailors.

Most of us start by racing in a local fleet. Contact the Laser Association in your country for details about how racing is organised and where the nearest group of Laser sailors are (see page 22 or check out the contact list on the ILCA website). Over 90% of Laser racing takes place during a couple of hours in an evening or on a weekend. Most racing takes place from sailing or water sports clubs and you are almost certain to see a full range of experience at the local club where beginners and experts are welcome. Your club may even organise training weekends and bring in visiting coaches and you will certainly benefit from talking to and watching others.



After a while you may wish to enjoy a weekend or week away sailing at a different venue against other Laser sailors. This could be 50 or 500 kilometres away but for sure you will find other places to race. Again, your national Laser association can help you identify opportunities.

A National Championship is often the highlight of the annual racing calendar. These events usually are open to all comers and all levels of skill. You can experience the excitement of racing in a large fleet of between 30 and 100+ Laser sailors. You probably will not become national champion (at least not at the first attempt) but you will certainly have a great time.

With the exception of most World and European Championships, Laser racing generally has open entry and there are many national and international regattas you can go to with only a limited amount of experience.

In many countries there are events organised specifically for different Laser rigs (Laser Standard, Laser Radial and Laser 4.7) as well as events for youth and master sailors. Some countries organise extra National Championships for these rigs and age groups.

**Contact your national Laser Class association to find out what activities are available. Check out the contact list on our website at [www.laserinternational.org](http://www.laserinternational.org).**

# The Laser Formula

## A choice of rigs for different size sailors - 3 boats in one

- *Are your children reaching the age when they want to go sailing in a Laser by themselves?*
- *Does your husband or wife fancy the occasional sail in your Laser?*
- *When you drive 2 hours to get to the water have you found it is too windy for you to go sailing?*
- *Maybe you are too light to sail the Laser with the Standard rig?*

The **Laser Formula** is the answer to all these questions. By changing only the sail and lower mast the Laser can be sailed comfortably in a great variety of wind conditions and provide exciting but controlled sailing even for sailors weighing as little as 35 kg. The Laser Formula is a 3 rig option that has been adopted by a number of sailing schools as a simple and economical way for sailors of different size and ability to sail in a wide range of winds and reduce the amount of 'down time'.

The **Laser 4.7** uses a short pre-bent lower mast to maintain a balanced helm and a sail area that is 35% smaller than the Laser Standard. It is ideal for the lighter weight sailor graduating from Optimist.

The **Laser Radial** is the next step up in size. It uses a more flexible and slightly shorter lower mast together with a sail area 18% smaller than the Laser Standard. The Laser Radial has a large following with national and international regattas and World Championships for Men, Women & Youth attracting as many countries and competitors as the Laser Standard Rig. In addition to having a strong following among lighter weight sailors, the Laser Radial is also used for youth, women and masters racing. Many countries support a full Laser Radial Youth program.

The **Laser Standard** can be sailed by any weight in light winds, but as the wind increases it is better suited to higher sailor weights.

Apart from the strong second hand market in Lasers with the Laser Standard rig, there is an even stronger second hand market for Laser Radial and Laser 4.7 lower mast and sails as a separate package from the hull.

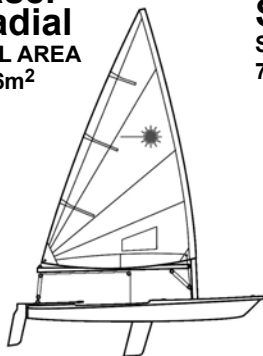
### Laser 4.7

SAIL AREA  
4.70m<sup>2</sup>



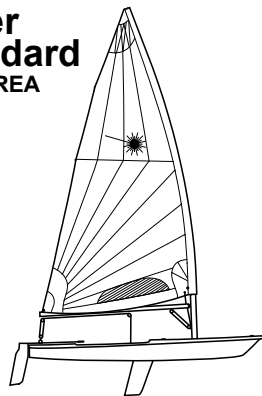
### Laser Radial

SAIL AREA  
5.76m<sup>2</sup>



### Laser Standard

SAIL AREA  
7.06m<sup>2</sup>



# ILCA Age Policy and Useful Information

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS - general

As a result of high demand, the majority of Laser World Championships are allocated place events. The number of places a country receives for their sailors to participate in a World Championship is based on the number of paid members in that country.

## YOUTH AGE CHAMPIONSHIP POLICY

The Laser is widely used as a youth training and racing boat. The chart below illustrates a typical progression and suggested age limits for prizes at youth events. The stepped progression maintains interest throughout youth years for different rates of growth.

Age*	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Birth Year**	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Laser 4.7	UNDER 16				UNDER 18				
Laser Radial Youth				UNDER 17		UNDER 19			
Laser Radial Women						UNDER 21			
Laser Standard Men						UNDER 21			

\* The age the competitor **becomes** in the year of the Championship

\*\* The year during which the competitor must have been born **FOR A 2019 CHAMPIONSHIP** using this guide

Within these age limits there will be a wide variation in weight for a given age, therefore some overlap is necessary. The age bands for each rig show suggested main prize categories even when the total entry for a rig is starting together. In larger events, prizes for more age groups within the band limits should be awarded to generate even greater interest.

In general, ILCA recommends that youth events be held in Laser 4.7 and Laser Radial rigs. ILCA also supports an "Under 21" category (17 - 20 years old in the year of the championship) for the Laser Standard Men and Laser Radial Women categories.

In 2019 ILCA will organise Youth World Championships in the Laser Radial and Laser 4.7, following the above age limits, as well as an "Under 21" World Championship for the Laser Standard Men and an "Under 21" World Championship for the Laser Radial Women.

Competitors in Youth World Championships will normally be in the upper age limits and will be capable of sailing at a high level. They should be experienced in big fleets and able to sail well in all conditions, including waves and high winds. Entering a World Championship without experience and ability in all racing conditions is not recommended, especially if a sailor is not heavy or strong enough to handle the rig.

## WOMEN - policy

ILCA's recommended policy is that Women's championships should be held in the Laser Radial.

For identification purposes, sails used at certain women's events shall carry a red rhombus above the top batten pocket on both sides, see class rule 4(g).

Red rhombi shall conform with ILCA Rules, Part Two, section 4(g)(i) RED RHOMBUS.

## LASER 4.7 - policy

Although the Laser 4.7 is used primarily as a youth class, at times it may be appropriate to run "open" Laser 4.7 regattas for lighter weight sailors of all ages. At these events, separate category prizes for youth and women should also be considered, in a format similar to the Laser Radial.

## LASER RADIAL - policy

With the exception of world and some continental championships most Laser Radial regattas are mixed gender and ages. However, if there are two or more categories (e.g. category men, category women) with 35 or more sailors in each, then these categories should race separately and have separate prizes. Where there are separate prize categories, each category should be identified by either a masthead streamer or a colour band on the mast. When two or more categories race in one fleet, then the individual category results should be extracted from the overall results without rescoring.



## MASTERS - policy, age limits and identification

ILCA's recommended policy for Masters events is that the sailor must reach the ages given in Fig. 1 (below), which shall be defined in the Notice of Race. The following colours in Figure 1 are recommended for identification stickers on the mast below the gooseneck so that different category masters know who they are sailing with when they sail in mixed fleets. Overall prizes will be awarded in accordance with the ILCA Honour Award By-Law in each category.

Fig. 1

Age Group	Masters Category	Fleet Colour
35 to 44	Apprentice Master (Standard / Radial)	Green
45 to 54	Master (Standard / Radial)	Red
55 -64	Grand Master (Standard / Radial)	Blue
65 - 74	Great Grand Master (Standard / Radial)	Yellow
75 and over	Legends (Radial)	White

## HANDICAP NUMBERS

Sometimes we get asked: "What are the handicap numbers for Lasers in mixed class racing?" The numbers used by the Royal Yachting Association (GBR) in their Portsmouth Handicap system are:

**Laser 1080**

**Laser Radial 1104**

**Laser 4.7 1175**

The numbers can be used for handicapping different Laser rigs within a mixed fleet. To use the numbers, convert the elapsed time into seconds. Divide the elapsed time by the handicap number and multiply by 1000 to achieve a corrected time.

The handicap numbers work best on races around 100 minutes long. Further information on Portsmouth Numbers can be obtained on the internet at: [www.rya.org.uk](http://www.rya.org.uk)

## Personal Handicaps

The handicap numbers take into account the difference in boat speed as a result of the different size rigs but take no account of an individual's ability. If the finishes are timed, a personal factor can be applied to the handicap number so that each person has a Personal Handicap Number.

The handicap numbers are based on race times. In a theoretical race, where a Laser finished in 60 minutes, a Laser Radial should finish in 61 minutes 17 seconds if all the sailors were the same standard and made the same mistakes! A Personal Handicap can be introduced by adjusting the handicap numbers.

For example, changing the Laser Radial handicap number from 1101 to a Personal Handicap of 1102 would mean that in the same race the Personal Handicap would give an extra 4 seconds advantage on someone sailing a Laser Radial without a Personal Handicap.

Personal Handicaps can be fixed for a set number of races or adjusted in any number of ways based on the performance of the last race. For example, if you win a race you are handicapped by 30 seconds in the next race. Second could be handicapped by 15 seconds etc. Similarly, the last placed boat could be given a handicap advantage of 1 minute, second to last 30 seconds etc. A simple time or place penalty system like this can also be used instead of handicap numbers.

It is best to keep race by race changes simple and restrict changes to a maximum of the first two and last two places.

***If you decide on a Personal Handicap System don't forget someone has to manage it so KEEP IT SIMPLE.***



## **COACHING AND COACHES**

The Laser has been one of the most important platforms for developing sailing talent around the world. Many sailors who have had long and successful careers in Laser sailing have become coaches to help develop the next generation of Laser sailors.

On the ILCA website, we maintain contact information for a list of individuals, arranged by country, who have identified themselves as Laser coaches. There is a good chance you can find someone in your part of the world who could provide coaching if you are looking for it.

If you are a coach and would like to be listed on the website, please send your contact details and other related information to the ILCA office: [office@laserinternational.org](mailto:office@laserinternational.org)

## **ADVERTISING/SPONSORSHIP**

Advertising, including competitor advertising, is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 – Advertising code; except that the sail window shall be kept free of advertising or other graphic material (Class Rule 10). Information about Regulation 20 is available through the World Sailing Website at: <http://www.sailing.org/documents/regulations/regulations.php>

## **ANTI-DOPING**

The latest information about the World Sailing Anti-Doping Code can be found on the World Sailing website: <http://www.sailing.org/sailors/antidoping/index.php>

## **POLICY FOR TRANSLATING THE HANDBOOK**

It is possible to translate the ILCA Handbook into your native language.

If you are interested in translating this handbook, please email your translation to ILCA at [office@laserinternational.org](mailto:office@laserinternational.org). Once the translation has been approved, we will make the translated version available on our website.

If you have any questions or would like to translate this handbook, please contact the ILCA office.

# What is the International Laser Class Association (ILCA)?

The International Laser Class Association (ILCA) is a worldwide sailing organization specifically for owners of Laser sailboats and people interested in the Laser. Like most sailing clubs it is run by volunteer Laser sailors who employ staff to run a dedicated Laser class office.

For easier administration the Laser Association is divided into 4 main levels of activity, each with elected volunteers:

**FLEETS** - normally sailing clubs or small groups of Laser sailors sailing together on a local basis. Fleet activities are normally co-ordinated by a Fleet Captain who has been elected by the Laser sailors in that Fleet.

**DISTRICTS** - In North America and Australia these are single states or an amalgamation of states. For the rest of the world, district boundaries are normally the same as national boundaries, although occasionally small countries either amalgamate with other small countries or get looked after by larger countries. District activities are co-ordinated by a committee, elected by Laser sailors at the district's annual general meeting.

**REGIONS** - these are a number of districts grouped together on a continental basis. Regional activities are co-ordinated by officers elected by the District representatives.

**INTERNATIONAL (World Council)** – The World Council operates like the board of directors of a company. It is responsible for directing the work of the association and maintaining the objects of the association as they are expressed in the association's constitution. The World Council consists of the President and Vice President, the Chairman of each region, the Executive Secretary appointed by the council and 2 representatives of the Laser manufacturers. Our World Council is truly international, currently consisting of officers from Argentina, Australia, Canada, France, Singapore, Switzerland, UK and USA - all are active sailors and between them have a wealth of experience spread over all levels of sailing.

Contact information for the ILCA office, each Region and all active Laser class Districts can be found on the contacts page of the ILCA website at [www.laserinternational.org/contacts](http://www.laserinternational.org/contacts). Please do not hesitate to contact any officer if you have any Laser problems or need help or information about the Laser or Laser Association.



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# ILCA Goals

The objects expressed in the constitution of the association are:

- To enhance the enjoyment of Laser sailboats.
- To provide a means of exchanging information among Laser sailors throughout the world.
- To promote and encourage Laser class racing in all countries under uniform rules.
- To promote and encourage the sporting and recreational aspects of sailing.

## ILCA's Work

For the majority of members, the work done by class officers is not directly apparent, but it is vitally important for the continuation of our class and the very existence of the Laser sailboat as we know it. It is all too easy to go to a dealer, buy a Laser, and go sailing with lots of other identical Lasers without even thinking about how it all happened or if it will continue to happen.

The existence of a strong International Laser Association is important to all Laser owners, whether they are occasional weekend sailors or aiming for an Olympic gold medal. If you doubt this, think back to the reasons why you were originally attracted to the Laser:

### **A good design?**

ILCA cannot take credit for that. However, ILCA plays an important part in protecting that design and making sure it isn't devalued by manufacturing changes. The construction of the Laser is controlled by an agreement between the manufacturers, ILCA and World Sailing, and by the class rules. Monitoring this agreement is an important part of ILCA's work.

### **Strict one design?**

When the Laser was first introduced a set of rules were drafted which, at the time, were very different to other existing classes. These other class rules listed a number of prohibitions, which led to developers trying out new ideas if the idea was not specifically prohibited. The result of this is that quite often older boats became outdated with a subsequent loss in value. The Laser rules are different in that they prohibit ANY changes unless the rules specifically allow a change. This means that a 10 year old Laser is the same as a brand new one and, as a result, holds its resale value far better. ILCA plays an important part in keeping the Laser rules strictly one design by preventing changes and providing a measurement structure that maintains the one design.

### **Good racing?**

The International Office of ILCA is responsible for organising World Championships for the class. Although these events may only involve a relatively small proportion of class members, the organisation of top quality championships has an effect on all sailors around the world. The qualification and training for major championships can only take place at lower level regattas. This results in increased participation at lower levels, which in turn attracts more people to the class. Standards that are set in sailing, racing and organisation at international level filter down throughout our organisation.

### **Good communication and website?**

The amount and quality of communication throughout the Laser Class is very important. ILCA maintains an active website ([www.laserinternational.org](http://www.laserinternational.org)) to keep members up to date with important announcement and news about Laser sailing around the world and serve as repository for helpful information, class rules and historical records. The ILCA maintains a social media presence to engage with sailors worldwide through facebook, twitter and instagram. The office also sends out to all Districts world wide notices with information to be distributed to sailors. Many Districts send out their own newsletters or maintain a website with information of local interest. Sailors who have questions can easily contact their District representative or the ILCA office through the website. And District officers can of course contact the ILCA office for assistance on matters relating to the Class.

## Low price?

Mass production keeps the price of the Laser relatively low. An active Class Association encourages more people into the class, therefore making mass production viable.

## Activity

Whatever reasons made you become a Laser owner, they are all a result of ACTIVITY. The Laser Association plays an important part in promoting and maintaining this activity and keeping the Laser at the top of the sailing world for both Laser sailors and sailing authorities.

The International Office, together with the regional and district officers, ensure a strong and healthy future for the Laser.

The International Office also deals with correspondence and communications from individuals, fleets, sailing clubs, district committee members, national yachting authorities, the World Council, World Sailing and the various manufacturing plants - in fact anything concerning Laser!

***ILCA is working for each individual Laser sailor  
no matter where they are in the world.***



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## FINANCES

Being a large class, there is a considerable amount of administration. At District level, membership numbers are often so big that part time secretarial help is needed to assist the volunteer officers! Multiply the number of countries by 120 and add together all the memberships from each country, and it is easy to see why we need a full-time International Office.

Any club or association needs a small fee to cover costs. Your membership fee would normally include an amount for the district and sometimes regional administration, plus a contribution towards the international costs of the association. The international accounts are audited each year, and a summary income and expenditure account, including an accumulated reserve funds carried forward, is made available to members.

The association's finances and administration are independent of the Laser manufacturers, although we work closely together on a number of things. The World Council believes that our continued strength is related to having sound finances, therefore it tries to maintain a small operating surplus each year, which is put in a reserve fund.

# ILCA

- A self-administered international organisation
- Provides co-ordination, organisation and communication for the class worldwide
- Liaison with national and international authorities
- Maintains one design rules
- Protects the design and ensures consistency
- Monitors building agreements
- Self-funded
- Positively promotes Laser sailing worldwide
- Publishes annual handbook
- Organises World Championships at international level
- Administers the class worldwide
- Sets the standard that others aspire to achieve

## Website: [www.laserinternational.org](http://www.laserinternational.org)

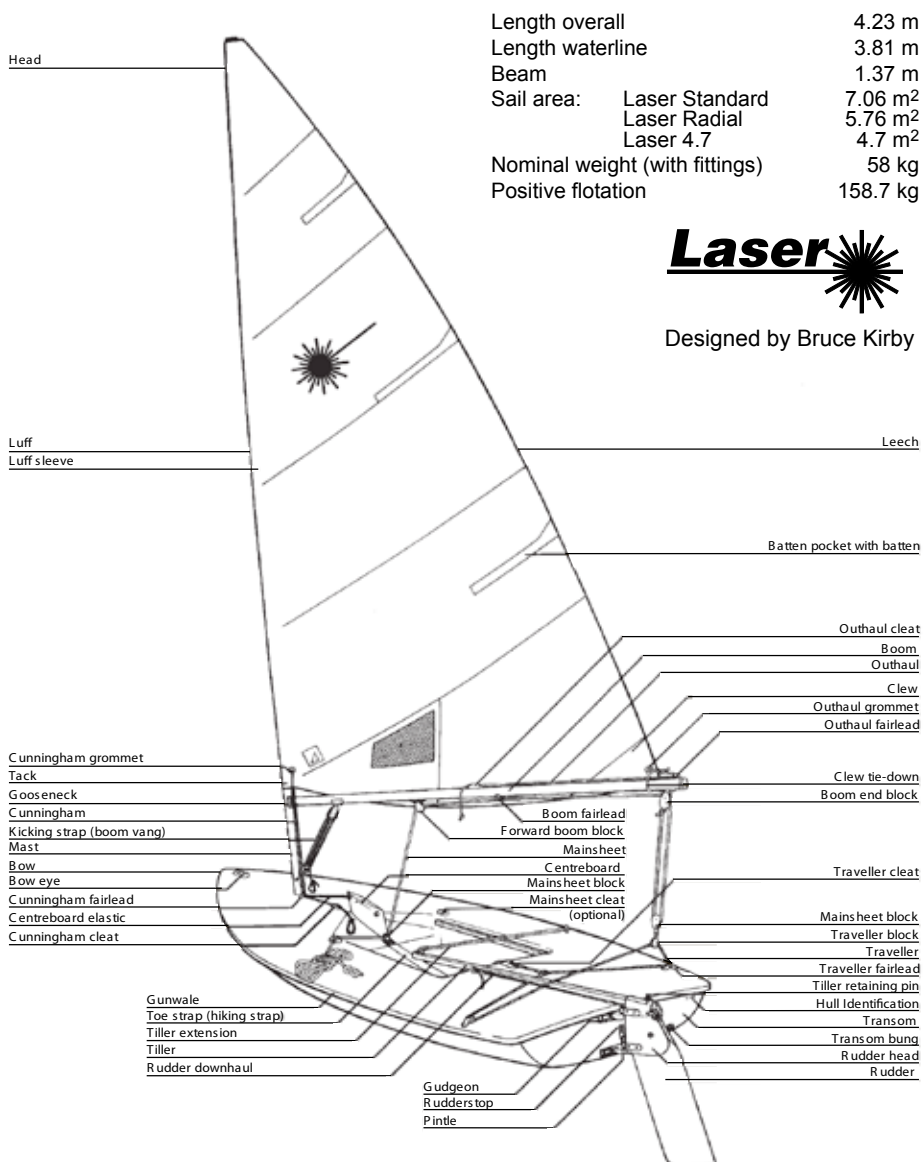
The ILCA website contains a large amount of regularly updated information useful to Laser owners, including:

- Event information for all Laser world championships, including dates, allocations, Notice of Race, Charter Terms & Conditions and links to event venue websites.
- Full results, daily results and reports from all Laser World Championships.
- Archive of results from Laser World & Regional Championships since 1971.
- RSS Newsfeed, to keep you in the loop with breaking news from ILCA.

Facebook.com/intlaserclass, Twitter: ILCA @intlaserclass

- Bid pages - want to host an ILCA championship? You can find all the bid documents for World championships online.
- Past issues of LaserWorld, are available for all to download or view online.
- Tips and How-to guides that can help you become a better sailor.
- Regularly updated list of addresses for Laser contacts in each country.

# Parts of the Laser



# Constitution

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## NAME

1. The name of the association shall be the INTERNATIONAL LASER CLASS ASSOCIATION, with head office at PO Box 49250, Austin, Texas 78765, USA.

## INSIGNIA

2. The emblem of the Class shall be the recognised Laser symbol, and the insignia of the officers shall be those prescribed by By-Law.

## OBJECTS

3. The objects of the Association are
  - (1) to provide a medium of exchange of information among Laser sailors throughout the world and to enhance the enjoyment of these sailboats;
  - (2) to promote and develop Laser class racing in all countries, under uniform rules; and
  - (3) to encourage and foster the enjoyment of the sporting and recreational aspects of sailing.

## POLICY

4. It shall be the policy of the Association to maintain the Laser as the epitome of a strict one-design class of sailboat.

## JURISDICTION

5. The Association has authority over all activities of the Laser Class throughout the world, and its powers shall be vested in and carried out by the World Council, Regional Executive Committees, District Associations and Fleets as provided in this Constitution and any By-Laws passed pursuant to the provisions hereof; all subject to and in accordance with the General Rules and By-Laws of World Sailing.

## ORGANISATION

### World Council

6.
  - (1) The Association shall be governed by the World Council comprised of the Chairman of each Regional Executive Committee from time to time holding office, the immediate Past President of the World Council, the Executive Secretary, the two appointed members of the Advisory Council, and such additional officers to be appointed by the Council for such term as it may from time to time determine. Each officer shall be a member of the Association.
  - (2) The World Council shall meet not less frequently than once per year and the first meeting shall take place within two months of the election of the Regional Chairmen. The time and location of meetings shall, if possible, coincide with the holding of a world or a regional championship meet.
  - (3) The World Council shall elect from amongst themselves, the President and Vice-President of the Association who shall hold office until their successors are elected to office; and the World Council may appoint Honorary Commodores from time to time as they shall see fit.
  - (4) The Executive Secretary shall be appointed by the elected members of the World Council and shall hold office for such term and upon such conditions as the World Council shall decide. He shall be situated at the Head Office of the Association and shall be responsible for the management of all business of the Association, subject to and in accordance with the Constitution, By-Laws and the direction of the World Council, including
    - (a) the co-ordination of all inter-regional activities,
    - (b) the organisation of all activities relating to World Championships,
    - (c) liaison between the Association, World Sailing and all other yachting authorities, and
    - (d) liaison between the membership and the Chief Measurer.
  - (5) The World Council shall appoint, for such term as it shall decide, a Chief Measurer for the Association who shall rule on all questions and challenges relating to the Rules, and shall issue Interpretations thereof deemed necessary by him. All such Interpretations shall be binding until approved, rejected, or modified by decision of the World Council, duly published to the members of the Association.

### Regions

7.
  - (1) The World Council may, as and when it deems it convenient for the administration of the affairs of the association within a substantial area where several Districts are or may be established, constitute such area as a Region.

- (2) The World Council, upon establishing a Region, shall appoint a Regional Executive Committee comprised of a Regional Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Executive Secretary, to hold office until their successors are elected.
- (3) The Regional Executive Committee shall have those powers, vested in the World Council by this Constitution (other than the power to amend the Rules or this Constitution) as are specifically delegated to the Regional Executive by the Regional By-Law, including the power to appoint additional officers for such term as it may from time to time determine.
- (4) The Regional Executive officers, other than the Executive Secretary, shall be elected annually by vote of the Chairman (or other officer authorised by him if he is unable to attend) of each District at the annual Regional meeting to be held at the head office of the Region or such other place as the Regional Executive Committee shall determine, and shall hold office until their successors are elected, and nothing shall preclude one of the District Chairman as also acting as the Regional Chairman. Each officer shall be a member of the Association.
- (5) The Regional Executive Secretary shall be appointed by the elected members of the Regional Executive Committee, and shall hold office for such term and upon such conditions as the Regional Executive Committee shall decide. He shall be responsible for the management of the business of the Region, subject to and in accordance with the Regional Executive By-Law and the direction of the Regional Executive Committee, including
  - (a) the co-ordination of inter-District activities and events,
  - (b) liaison with the Executive Secretary of the World Council,
  - (c) issuance of Fleet Charters,
  - (d) maintenance of all records of the Region, and
  - (e) maintenance of all membership records and information, unless such duties are delegated to the District Secretary.
- (6) The World Council may subdivide a Region into one or more Regions, may amalgamate two or more Regions or may add Districts to or delete Districts from any Region from time to time as may be required for the effective administration of the Association.
- (7) In the event that a Regional Chairman shall be unable to attend any meeting of the World Council, the Executive Secretary of the Region or such any other member of the Regional Executive Committee nominated for that purpose may attend and represent the Chairman and vote at such meeting of the World Council.
- (8) Nothing shall preclude the Executive Secretary of a Region also serving as Executive Secretary of the World Council.
- (9) The Regional Executive Committee may make By-Laws, subject to the provisions of this Constitution and the Regional Executive By-Laws of the World Council, for any purpose necessary to carry out the functions and responsibilities of such Region, and copies of all such By-Laws as are from time to time passed by any Regional Executive shall be filed with the Executive Secretary of the World Council.

## **Districts**

8. (1) The World Council, on the recommendation of a Regional Executive Committee where applicable, shall by By-Law establish Districts in distinctive areas deemed appropriate and relevant, having regard to all considerations, including geography, language, distance, and population, for the development of the Laser Class and the fulfilment of the objects of the Association.
- (2) The World Council, upon establishing Districts, shall appoint District Associations comprised of a District Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, to hold office until their successors are elected.
- (3) The District Association shall consist of the foregoing officers, and may appoint such additional officers to hold office for such term as it may determine. Each officer shall be a member of the Association.
- (4) Each District shall be administered in accordance with and subject to the provisions of a Constitution of the District, approved by the World Council, or if the District has no Constitution, the District Association By-Law of the World Council; and the officers of each District Association shall be elected annually by the members of the Association within the District in accordance with the provisions of the District Constitution, or, in the absence thereof, the District Association By-Law.
- (5) The boundaries of Districts may be varied by the World Council on the application of any District concerned, and one or more Districts may be amalgamated or any District may be subdivided into one or more Districts with the approval of the District Associations concerned.
- (6) A District Association with the approval of the Chief Measurer may appoint a District Measurer for a District to assist the Chief Measurer in the conduct of his responsibilities and the enforcement of the Rules; and nothing precludes a District Measurer from acting as Measurer for more than one District. A District Measurer shall have the authority to rule on all questions and challenges relating to the Rules and Interpretations of the Chief Measurer, but he may not issue Interpretations except with the prior approval of the Chief Measurer.

- (7) A District Association may make By-Laws, subject to the provisions of this Constitution, the Regional Executive By-Laws, and the District Association By-Law or District Association Constitution (as the case may be), for any purpose necessary to carry out its functions and responsibilities in the management of such District.
- (8) If any District is within the jurisdiction of a National Authority, such District Association shall, in addition to any other requirements of this constitution, be subject to such rules, regulations and directions of such National Authority.

#### **Fleets**

9. (1) A Fleet may be granted a charter upon application to the Regional Executive Committee (or the World Council where the locality is outside a Region) by 6 or more members of the Association who are individual owners of Lasers within any area or club deemed appropriate, having regard to the locality where regular racing activity is easily accessible to members of that Fleet.
- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a special Fleet may be chartered in any locality for the purposes of accommodating specific members of the armed forces, an educational institution, a junior programme or any other non-profit organisation.
- (3) A Fleet Captain, and such other officers if any as the Fleet may deem necessary, shall be elected annually from among the members of the Fleet in such manner as is prescribed by the Fleet, unless otherwise provided by the By-Laws, and shall be responsible to the District Association for the organisation of the Fleet and the due compliance by the members of the Fleet with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association. Each officer shall be a member of the Association.

#### **MEMBERSHIP AND DUES**

10. (1) Any person may become a member of the Association by making application to the Executive Secretary, or the appropriate Regional Executive Secretary or District Secretary, as the case may be, and payment of the prescribed Association dues, provided that he has not been disqualified from membership for cause by decision of the World Council or under suspension from membership.
- (2) An application for membership implies that the applicant undertakes and agrees to be bound by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association upon being accepted to membership.
- (3) A member of the Association *ipso facto* belongs to the District in which he normally sails, even though such place may not be his permanent residence; but such member, for valid reason and with the approval of both District Chairmen, may select instead the District in which he has permanent residence.
- (4) A member of the Association may become a member only of the Fleet in his District where he normally sails for the purpose of qualification, where required, for sanctioned events; and any dispute shall be settled by decision of the District Association which decision shall be final.
- (5) The World Council may grant honorary membership in the Association, for such period as it determines, to any person who, through special contribution to the Class or through special relationship to the Association, is considered meritorious.
- (6) The World Council may grant an honorary life membership to any member who has achieved, in the opinion of the World Council, international stature as a result of his yachting achievements.
- (7) An honorary and an honorary life member are entitled to full privileges of membership, but are not required to pay the annual dues of the Association.
- (8) Membership in the Association shall not be open to any company, partnership, group or other association unless specifically authorised in any case or class of cases by the World Council; and the World Council may impose such terms, conditions or qualifications to any such membership as it shall deem appropriate.
11. (1) Association dues shall be in the amount determined by and shall be payable within the time prescribed by By-Law of each Region or District, as determined by the World Council, and shall include all amounts required for World Council, Region and District purposes as determined by each authority.
- (2) The Association may ask for special contribution in addition to dues, provided any such contribution shall be for a specific purpose and shall not be mandatory.
- (3) Dues shall be collected by the Regional Executive Secretary, but the World Council may direct the District Secretary to collect such dues under such terms and conditions as to reporting and accounting as may be required.

#### **SUSPENSION AND REMOVAL FROM OFFICE**

12. A member may be suspended by the World Council, on the recommendation of a District Association, for gross violation of the Rules and By-Laws, for committing an unlawful act in relation to the Association or one of its members, or for any unsportsmanlike conduct contrary to the interests of the members of the Association. The duration of the suspension shall be fixed by the World Council and a suspended member shall during such period be precluded from racing or enjoying any other rights of membership.
13. A Regional or District officer may be removed from office by the World Council for a wilful and unjustifiable act of commission or omission detrimental to the Association or to its members.

## **APPEALS**

14. Any dispute arising in relation to fleets, districts, regions, eligibility to race, the interpreting of this Constitution, the By-Laws or similar matter, other than any dispute as to the interpretation of the Rules or any protest within the jurisdiction of the applicable racing rules, may be made to the World Council whose decision shall be final and binding.

## **ADVISORY COUNCIL**

15. The President and Vice President of the World Council and two persons nominated by those builders who are also Trademark owners shall constitute the Advisory Council and shall assist and co-operate with the World Council in the carrying out of their responsibilities, and shall have the responsibilities as set forth in paragraph 17 hereof and the paragraph entitled "Amendments" of the Rules.

## **BY-LAWS**

16. The World Council may make By-Laws for the purpose of carrying out the objects of this Constitution and of the Association and, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, may make By-Laws
  - (a) amending the Rules of the Laser Class, hereby established as By-Law 1 of the Association, as provided in paragraph 29 thereof;
  - (b) respecting the establishment of Regions, and the powers of the Regional Executive Committees;
  - (c) delegating specific powers of the World Council to Regional Executive Committees;
  - (d) respecting the establishment of Districts and the powers of District Associations;
  - (e) respecting the Constitution and By-Laws of District Associations;
  - (f) respecting registration of members and collection of dues;
  - (g) respecting the measurement of boats and measurement fees;
  - (h) respecting the conduct of championship and other regattas, including the classification of regattas and the eligibility of members for major racing events;
  - (i) respecting the acceptance of deeds of gift of trophies;
  - (j) changing the Headquarters of the Association; and
  - (k) respecting the procedures for meetings of the World Council and Regional Executive Committees, including the conduct of business by mail or other means of communication.

## **AMENDMENTS**

17. Amendments to this Constitution shall be approved by each of:
  - (a) the World Council
  - (b) the Advisory Council
  - (c) at least two thirds of the membership replying in writing to the International Office of the Class in response to a postal ballot published by the International Office. Only those postal votes returned to the International Office within 6 months from the date of publication of the proposed change shall be valid.

## **TRANSITION PROVISIONS**

18. (1) This Constitution shall come into force on the date of the approval thereof by the Association in accordance with the provisions of Article XVIII of the Laser Association Constitution enacted September 30, 1972; and thereupon the said Constitution enacted September 30, 1972, shall be repealed and the officers of the Association elected and appointed under the provisions of the Constitution enacted September 30, 1972, shall be deemed to be the first officers of the World Council under the within Constitution, to hold office until their successors are appointed or elected, as the case may be.
- (2) On the coming into force of this Constitution each District and each Fleet established under the Constitution enacted September 30, 1972, shall be deemed to be Districts and Fleets within the meaning of this Constitution, and all officers and Fleet Captains of such Districts and Fleets shall be deemed to be the first officers and Fleet Captains of such Districts under this Constitution until their successors are appointed or elected, as the case may be.
- (3) All Actions of the Executive Committee or other officers of the Association, including any District officer, made or performed pursuant to the said Constitution enacted September 30, 1972, shall be deemed to be validly done for the purpose of the within Constitution to the same extent as though same were carried out in accordance with the provisions hereof.

# Protecting the One Design Principle

## An overview of the tools we have to protect the One Design Principle and how each member of ILCA can influence changes to the Rules and the Laser Construction Manual

The one-design principle is the most important asset of the Laser Class. Its protection is therefore a prime concern for the class. A number of instruments are in place to assure that protection. The most important ones are the Laser Construction Manual (LCM) and the Laser Class Rules.

The LCM is a proprietary, protected document that specifies the manufacturing procedures, standard plugs and tools as well as the raw materials and parts supplied by third parties for the hull, sails and spars. Periodic factory inspections by the class make sure that the manual is strictly adhered to by the builders. These factory inspections are the “measurements” in the traditional sense of sailing.

The class rules specify that nothing can be changed by a sailor on the hull, sail and spars except what is specifically and positively allowed by the rules. At major Laser regattas, there is no measurement in the traditional sense. Instead, a simple inspection is made to assure that only original parts are used and that the boat is rigged according to the rules.

The one-design principle means that all Lasers produced by the approved builders are the same. There should be no differences in performance, quality and fittings used between boats from different manufacturers. The LCM is the instrument to assure this. It defines in detail the manufacturing procedures, the materials used and the quality assurance procedures mandatory for each builder. Any change in the LCM requires the unanimous approval by all approved builders, the International Laser Class Association and World Sailing. Several years ago, the ILCA undertook a major revision of the LCM to bring it into compliance with current practice. Wherever possible tolerances were reduced, more detailed descriptions were added and the whole manual was put into a properly secured electronic form. The LCM is continuously reviewed as part of an ongoing process to further tighten tolerances and specifications where possible.

During the revision of the LCM much thought was given to the basic principles on how the Laser should evolve. The following principles were approved by all the builders and the ILCA and are now part of the LCM:

### **Evolution in quality and ease of use:**

The builders have made and will continue to make a sustained effort to improve the quality, durability and ease of use of the Laser – but without changing its basic performance. Where tolerances exist in the quality assurance procedures for incoming materials and for the manufacturing process, a continued effort will be made to reduce them, but avoiding significant cost increases.

### **The concept of a “lead builder”:**

For each proposed project a “Lead Builder” will be nominated, who will report periodically to the other builders and ILCA. Changes can only be introduced after the appropriate testing and with the approval of all of the parties concerned.



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### **Availability of options in materials and fittings:**

If the LCM or the class rules allow options in the fittings, boat parts and material used, then all options should be made available worldwide at the same time and at comparable prices.

### **Evolution of the Laser:**

Allow only for changes that are not too expensive, do not affect the performance of the boat and can be easily fitted by a sailor without professional help.

Parts or fittings that have been produced in compliance with the LCM and are therefore legal under the rules cannot be subsequently made illegal, but restrictions on the use of particular equipment (in the interest of minimising differences) may be made.

The control of the adherence to the LCM is governed by the Laser Construction Manual Agreement signed by the aforementioned parties. It defines the procedures for the periodic factory inspections by the class and the measures necessary in case of deviations. This agreement is the most important document, which, alongside the Laser Class Rules, holds the whole "Laser one-design system" together.

### **The Rules:**

The basic principle is that nothing can be changed by a sailor on a Laser, which was built according to the tight specifications of the LCM. Only a few changes, which are positively described in the rules, are allowed. The rules also describe how a boat must be rigged to be class legal. Sometimes a rule may seem ambiguous, with different people disagreeing about the meaning of a rule. In these situations, the Chief Measurer of the Class publishes in the Handbook as well as on the ILCA website interpretations to certain rules. Some of these interpretations may end up becoming a permanent part of the class rules through the rule change process.

Over the years changes have been made to the Laser and the LCM and the rules have evolved. When considering changes, the class and the builders have been very careful that:

- The changes do not affect the basic performance of the boat, but
- Only the ease of use, durability and safety were improved and
- Older parts, fittings and sails remain legal

### **How can each member of ILCA influence these changes?**

Firstly, be aware that only changes which improve the ease of use, durability and safety of the boat, have the chance to be passed.

### **Rule changes:**

If you have a good idea for a rule change, talk first to some other sailors and also to class officials to see whether they share your opinion. If this is the case, then formulate the rule change as precisely as possible and add a justification. Next, send your proposal to the ILCA office. Proposals will be forwarded to the Chief Measurer and the members of the Technical and Measurement Committee who, after considering the proposal, may put the matter before the World Council. Finally, if the World Council and the Advisory Council agree, the rule change must be approved by two thirds of the membership. It may seem like a lengthy process but it helps insure that the one design nature of the class is maintained while still allowing for improvements in ease of use, durability and safety in order to enhance our sailing and racing experience.

### **Changes in the Laser Construction Manual:**

In view of the protection of the one-design principle, there is always much hesitancy to change the LCM. Any change must have clear and important advantages in terms of usability, quality, durability or safety. Any proposal must be duly justified.

The best way to get some attention is to present a detailed proposal to the Technical and Measurement Committee through the ILCA Technical Officer, Clive Humphris, e-mail: [technical@laserinternational.org](mailto:technical@laserinternational.org).) Be aware that any change requires the unanimous approval by all the builders, the International Laser Class Association and World Sailing, but is not subject to a member vote. Despite the high hurdles a change must overcome before it can take effect, there are several examples in the last few years of important changes that were initiated by ILCA members. If you have a good idea for improving the Laser, do not be scared away by this process.

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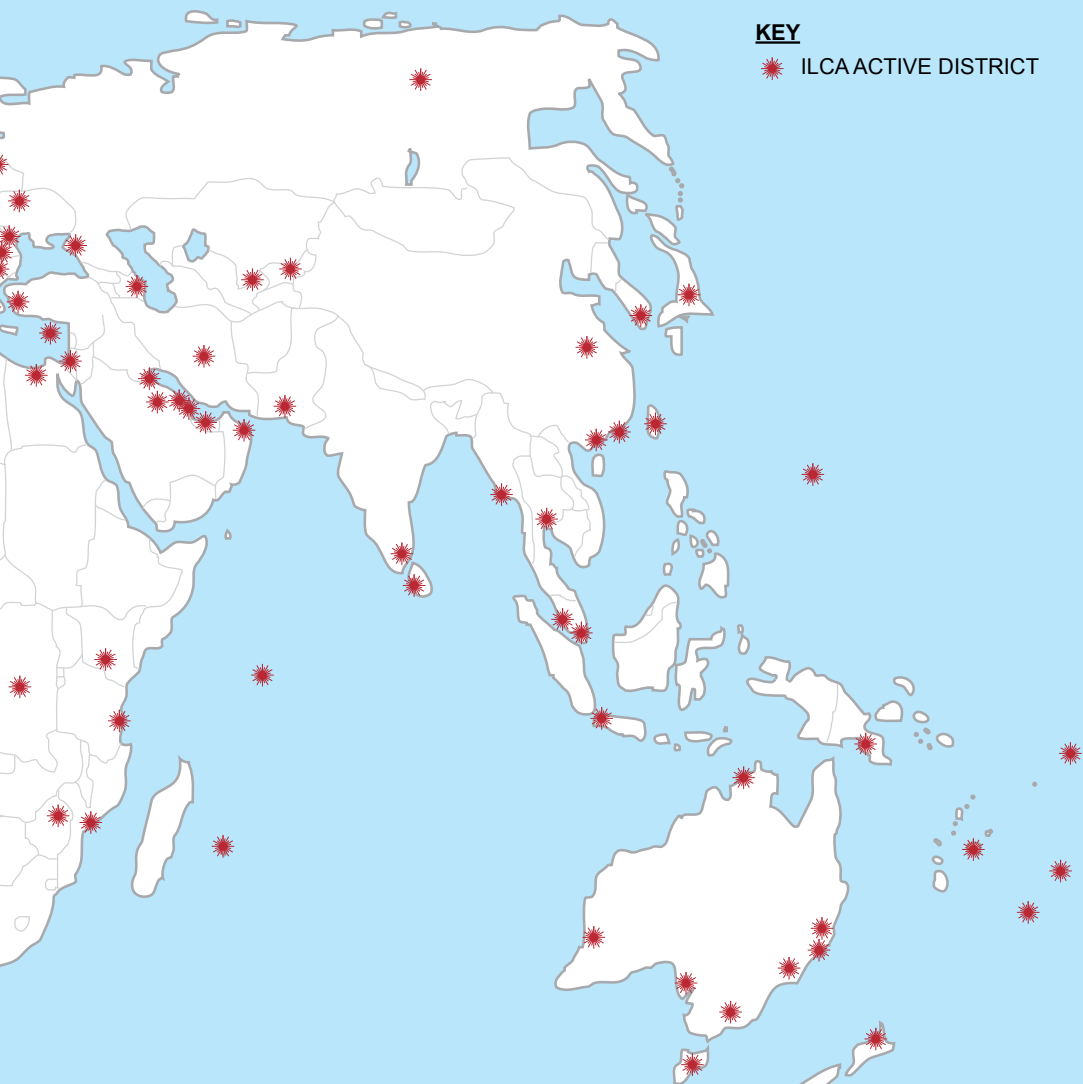


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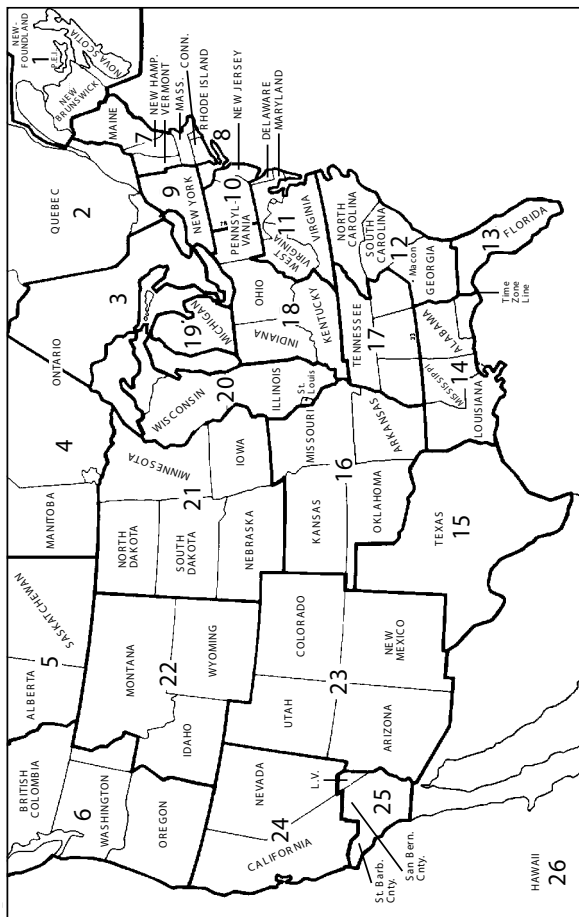
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# Boat Care - Stresses and Strains

The Laser boat has an excellent record of durability but like any piece of equipment it can break if overstressed. Weight for weight it probably has one of the strongest constructions of any boat of its type, a fact we are all aware of on occasions when we see Lasers over 10 years old, sailing happily when other boats are retired to the scrap heap. Further, the Laser has proved itself in very strong winds when other classes are reduced to wreckage. It never ceases to amaze us to see Lasers sailing in 40 knots plus.

Over the years, small changes have been made to the Laser to strengthen it as we sail in increasingly challenging conditions. However, there is a limit to the number or kind of changes that can be made before performance is affected.

## Mast

When the Laser was introduced, and for many decades after, the two part aluminium mast design involved a trade-off between strength, stiffness and weight. Any increase in strength of the mast would dramatically affect stiffness and therefore performance, which would be totally undesirable.

The Laser mast is produced to a high manufacturing standard in the aluminium trade for the specified wall thickness. Within this standard the Laser requirements demand an even tighter tolerance. Even with this high standard it is possible, when sailing, to stress the mast beyond its yield point which causes a permanent bend.

Some of the biggest causes of bending are sailing with a lot of boom vang on and:

- 1) capsizing at speed;
- 2) catching a wave with the boom end, either offwind or while gybing; or
- 3) sailing into the back of a wave causing rapid deceleration.

Recognising these causes tells us that it is very important to release the boom vang before sailing offwind, ideally just before you round the windward mark. In strong winds, this will reduce the risk of bending with the added advantage that you will open up the leech of the sail which is fast for offwind work! As a guide for letting off the boom vang, trim the mainsheet tight until the rear boom and traveller blocks are just touching then release the vang until there is no pressure on it.

While the above can help you reduce the chance of causing a permanent upper mast bend, sailors seem intent on pushing the Laser harder and longer in ever more challenging conditions.

In 2017 Laser equipment manufacturers introduced a class approved composite upper mast section. The composite mast, while having performance characteristics similar to the aluminium top mast, is not subject to permanent bending. Like any piece of sailing equipment, it is not indestructible, but the composite top mast should provide sailors with a longer mast life and consistently reliable performance when out racing, training or pleasure sailing.



## Rudder and Tiller

Rudders and tillers like everything else are not indestructible. On the very few occasions when we have seen damage to either the rudder or the tiller, it has been caused by trying to bear away at speed while the Laser is heeled to leeward. When a Laser is heeled over it takes on severe weather helm. If you try and bear away whilst heeled, you place great loads on the rudder and tiller. The simple answer is to bring the boat upright first before attempting to bear away. This can be done by either hiking more and/or releasing the mainsheet.

# Laser Class Rules - One Design

One of the attractions of the Laser for most owners is that the class rules are very strict and that the boat is one design. The Laser philosophy incorporated in the rules is that we want to go sailing, not waste time fiddling with boats. We want to win races on the water using our skill, not by trying to find a way round the rules that will give us an advantage.

The class rules are written to prevent any changes from the standard boat that might affect performance, so that on the water each boat is the same. The few changes to the standard boat that are allowed are minor and only to allow for a few options that make racing the Laser more comfortable and enjoyable.

Over the years the class has refused to make changes to the rules that allow more expensive or complicated equipment or which makes older boats redundant.

If you feel you want to change something on a Laser - STOP. Ask yourself why you want to do it? If the answer is "to make me go faster" there is a very good chance the modification or addition is illegal!

Take a look at the Laser Rules.

- Part One explains the Fundamental Class Rule which covers the philosophy and any item not specifically written into the rules.
- Part Two tells you what you must do to have a legal boat.
- Part Three details a few optional changes and additions you can make.

## **If Part Three does not specifically allow a change or addition - IT IS ILLEGAL!**

If you race a Laser that has a change or addition not allowed by the class rules you will be disqualified from the race. Ignorance of the rules is no defence.

## Cheating

In our sport in every club and class there is the odd person who needs to cheat to win. Cheating is doing something that you know is illegal. Whether you gain an advantage or not is irrelevant.

Our class is strong and popular because we believe in a strict one design and our sailors want to know that they are racing on equal terms. ILCA takes a very strong line with Laser sailors who do not sail according to the rules. There have been cases in the past where sailors who have sailed with illegal boats have been banned from sailing a Laser. Such a ban can be for life. If action is also taken under the racing rules, the ban can cover racing in any boat.

Our class is much bigger than the odd person who wants to gain advantage by illegally changing the Laser or its equipment. They can sail in other classes where the rules allow changes to a boat to get an advantage. We do not want them with us.

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The latest edition of the Laser Class Rules and By-Laws are available at [www.laserinternational.org](http://www.laserinternational.org).

# ILCA By-Law 1: Rules (Parts one to five inclusive)

Valid from 1st January 2019. Cancels all previous rules and interpretations.

## RECENT CHANGES:

### 1 January 2019

Part One modified to clarify that all sails used in competition shall have an ILCA supplied sail button to be class legal. (previous interpretation.)

Rule 3(b)i modified to remove the restriction on the use of aramid fibre rope for control lines. (previous interpretation)

Rule 3(b)ii modified to allow for local variation in thickness of control lines that is not specifically restricted to tapering. (previous interpretation)

Rule 3(b)vi modified to enable clam cleats to include a through hole attachment point. (previous interpretation)

Rule 19(a) modified to clarify that mast step abrasion tubes or collars may be in separate pieces. (previous interpretation)

Rule 31 modified to shorten the rule voting process from six months to one month and removing "votes to be sent by post".

### 1 January 2017

Rule 22 Compasses, Electronic Equipment and Timing Devices modified to allow use of digital compasses that are not GPS enabled.

New Rule 28 Added to allow boat or body mounted cameras.

Rule 3(f)vi modified to remove restriction on the attachment points of the shock cord inhaul.

Rule 17(c) modified to allow for the addition of one cleat and one turning point in the hiking strap support line that are not attached to the hull or hiking strap.

### 1 January 2016

4(f) National Letters: updated wording with instructions for positioning of letters on new MKII sail.

## INTRODUCTION

**The principle of the Laser Class Rules is that no changes to the boat are allowed unless they are specifically permitted by the class rules.**

**The English text of the Laser Class Rules shall govern.**

## PART ONE

### OBJECT

The Laser is a strict one-design dinghy where the true test, when raced, is between helmspersons and not boats and equipment.

### FUNDAMENTAL RULE

**The Laser shall be raced in accordance with these Rules, with only the hull, equipment, fittings, spars, sail and battens manufactured by a World Sailing and International Laser Class Association (ILCA) approved builder in strict adherence to the Laser design specification (known as the Construction Manual) which is registered with World Sailing.**

**No addition or alteration may be made to the hull form, construction, equipment, type of equipment, placing of equipment, fittings, type of fittings, placing of fittings, spars, sail and battens as supplied by the builder except when such an alteration or change is specifically authorised by Parts 2 or 3 of these Rules.**

### HULL IDENTIFICATION

All Lasers shall have an identification number moulded into the deck under the bow eye or into the transom, which shall be either the sail number or a unique production number.

Lasers with sail numbers from 148200 shall display a unique

World Sailing Building Plaque that has been purchased by the builder from the International Laser Class Association. The plaque shall display the sail number of the boat issued by the International Laser Class Association and shall be permanently fixed in the rear of the cockpit by the builder.

### SAIL IDENTIFICATION

Sails manufactured after 1 January 2001 shall have attached near the tack of the sail an ILCA authorized sailmaker button purchased from the International Laser Class Association. Standard MKII sails shall have orange buttons and Radial, 4.7 and Standard MKI (cross-cut) sails shall have red buttons.

### DEFINITION OF BUILDER

A Builder is a manufacturer that has the rights to use a Laser trademark, is manufacturing the hull, equipment, fittings, spars, sails and battens in strict adherence to the Construction Manual, and has been approved as a Laser Builder by each of World Sailing and the International Laser Class Association.

## PART TWO

### 1. MEASUREMENT DIAGRAMS

The Measurement Diagrams are part of these Rules.

The spars, sails, battens, centreboard, rudder, and the placing of fittings and equipment shall conform to the Measurement Diagrams. The measurement tolerances are intended to allow for necessary manufacturing tolerances and shall not be used to alter the design.

### 2. MEASUREMENT

In the case of a dispute alleging non-compliance with the Construction Manual, the matter, together with any relevant information, shall be referred to the Chief Measurer of the International Laser Class Association at the International Office who shall give a final ruling in consultation with a World Sailing Technical Officer.

In the case of a measurement dispute on the hull, spars, sail, battens, centreboard and rudder, rigging, type of fittings and equipment and the placing of same not explicitly covered by these Rules, Measurement Diagrams and Measurement By-Laws the following procedure shall be adopted:

A sample of 10 other boats shall be taken and measured using identical techniques. The dimensions of the disputed boat shall be equal to, or between the maximum and minimum dimensions obtained from these 10 boats. If the boat in question is outside these dimensions the matter, together with any relevant information, shall be referred to the Chief Measurer of the International Laser Class Association at the International Office, who shall give a final ruling. If any of the dimensions of the sample are considered to be unusual, all relevant information shall be referred by the Class Association to World Sailing.

### 3. CONTROL SYSTEMS, CONTROL LINES AND FITTINGS

#### (a) Control System Definitions


- i The Cunningham, outhaul, vang, traveller and mainsheet are the **Control Line Systems**. The cunningham, outhaul and vang **Control Line Systems** may include more than one **Control Line** as allowed in Rules 3(d)i, 3(e)i and 3(f) i. Each **Control Line** shall be a single piece of uniform thickness and material. A line is a **Control Line** if any of the line moves along its axis during adjustment of the **Control Line System**. A line that exclusively attaches items together is a **Tie Line**.

- ii For the purpose of these definitions, the **Standard Fittings** are the:


Plastic cunningham fairlead	Vang cleat block
Plastic cunningham clam cleat	Vang key block
Plastic outhaul clam cleat	Vang key
Plastic outhaul fairlead	Plastic traveller clam cleat
Plastic traveller fairleads	Mainsheet block


- iii An “**Optional**” fitting is a fitting or block that replaces, or is additional to, a **Standard Fitting** as allowed by these Rules.
- iv A “**Builder Supplied**” fitting replaces a **Standard Fitting**, and is supplied only by the Builder, as allowed by these Rules.
- v A “**Turning Point**” is a sheave (pulley) in a block, a rope loop, a rope loop reinforced with a thimble, the outhaul fairlead, a shackle, part of a fitting, sail cringle, mast or boom around which a moving **Control Line** passes, **except that** the cunningham fairlead, the “**Optional**” blocks attached to the “**Builder Supplied**” deck block fitting, the cunningham clam cleat, and the “**Optional**” cam cleats attached to the “**Builder Supplied**” deck cleat base **will not be counted as “Turning Points”** in Rules 3(e) and 3(f).
- vi When an “**Optional**” block, or shock cord is **attached** to a fitting, line, mast, boom or the sail, it may be attached either with or without a shackle, clips, balls, hooks and/or a tie line.

#### (b) Control Lines and Fittings

- i. Control lines shall be natural or synthetic rope.
- ii. Control lines shall be of uniform thickness, but may vary in thickness for the purpose of a splice at the load bearing attachment point. 
- iii. In a control line system where more than one control line is permitted, lines of different diameter shall not be joined together.
- iv. “Optional” blocks allowed in cunningham, vang or outhaul control systems, shall have sheaves of diameter not less than 15 mm and not more than 30 mm.

Thimbles allowed to reinforce rope loops used as “Turning Points” in the cunningham, vang and outhaul control line systems shall not exceed 40mm in length.

- v. Only single or double “Optional” blocks shall be used. A single block means a block with one sheave; a double block means a block with two sheaves. “Optional” blocks may include a becket, a swivel and/or a shackle.
- vi. The fairleads and clam cleats may be replaced in the same position with an identical size and shape fitting. Clam cleats may include a through hole attachment point. 
- vii. The plastic cunningham fairlead may be replaced with one of the same type which has a stainless steel insert, and has the same screw hole positions.
- viii. “Builder Supplied” Deck Fittings (Deck Block Fitting and Deck Cleat Base)

- a) The cunningham fairlead may be replaced in the same position with a “Builder Supplied” deck block fitting which may have one or two single “Optional” blocks attached. 

“Optional” blocks shall not be attached to the cunningham fairlead.

Either the cunningham fairlead alone, or the “Builder Supplied” deck block fitting with single “Optional” block(s) attached may be used to lead the cunningham and/or outhaul control lines to the deck cleat(s)

- b) The “Optional” deck blocks may be supported with a spring, ball, plastic tube or tape.
- c) The cunningham clam cleat may be replaced

in the same position with a “Builder Supplied” deck cleat base for attaching two “Optional” cam cleats (cunningham and outhaul) which have fixing hole centres of 27 mm.



The two cam cleats may include a bridge and a fairlead with or without rollers on the aft exit.

- d) Control lines shall not be tied to any of the cunningham fairlead, the “Builder Supplied” deck block fitting and the “Optional” blocks attached to it, the cunningham clam cleat or the “Builder Supplied” deck cleat base and the “Optional” cam cleats, cleat bridge and fairleads attached to it.
- ix. Rope loop handles covered with plastic/rubber tube and/or tape may be included anywhere on the free end of a control line.
- x. The free ends of different control lines (except mainsheet) may be tied together and/or tied to any deck fitting or the centreboard, the centreboard handle or a rope loop used to attach a retaining line. Free ends of control lines shall not be tied to shock cord (except mainsheet).
- xi. To secure the mast in the event of a capsized, a loose retention line or shock cord (that will allow 180 degree plus mast rotation) shall be tied/attached between the cunningham fairlead or the deck block fitting and the mast tang or gooseneck. Clips, hooks, shackles and balls may be used to attach the retention line.
- xii. Reference points (marks) may be placed on the deck, spars and ropes.

#### (c) Mainsheet – also see Rules 3(a) & 3(b)

- i. The mainsheet shall be a single line, and be attached to the becket of the aft boom block, and then passed through the traveller block, the aft boom block, boom eye strap, forward boom block and the mainsheet block. After the mainsheet block it shall be knotted, or tied, so that the end of the mainsheet cannot pull through the mainsheet block. The mainsheet shall not be controlled aft of the forward boom block except to facilitate a tack or gybe.
- ii. The tail of the mainsheet may also be knotted or tied to either the base of the mainsheet block, the hiking strap, the hiking strap support line, or the hiking strap shock cord. This option, if used, satisfies the knotting requirement in 3(c)i.
- iii. The mainsheet block may be replaced by any type of single block with or without an internal or attached jamming device, and mounted in the position shown on the measurement diagram. The block may be supported by a spring, ball, plastic tube or tape.
- iv. One mainsheet clam or cam cleat of any type may be mounted on each side deck in the position shown on the measurement diagram.

#### (d) Vang – also see Rules 3(a) & 3(b)

- i. The vang system shall be between the mast tang and the boom key fitting and shall be comprised of the vang cleat block, the vang key block, a maximum of two control lines, loops and/or “Optional” blocks for additional purchase with a **maximum of 7 “Turning Points”**.
- ii. The vang cleat block shall be attached directly to the mast tang, or to an “Optional” swivel that shall be attached to the mast tang.
- iii. A shackle may be used to attach the vang cleat block or the swivel to the mast tang.
- iv. The swivel, shackle or swivel/shackle combination shall not exceed 80 mm in length when measured under tension.

- v. The vang key block may be fitted with a spare key.
- vi. The key may be straight or bent, and it may be held in the key way with either tape, elastic or velcro.
- vii. The vang key block may be replaced with an "Optional" vang key block which may have a spare key.
- viii. "Optional" single blocks may be attached to one or both sides of the vang cleat block, using a clevis pin or bolt through the attachment hole in the vang cleat block.
- ix. The mast tang hole may be drilled to take a larger pin.
- x. "Builder Supplied" Vang Cleating Fitting
  - a) The vang cleat block may be replaced with a "Builder Supplied" vang cleating fitting which incorporates "Turning Points" and a cam cleat. These photos show the 2 Class legal "Builder Supplied" vang cleating fittings:



- b) The fitting shall be attached directly to the mast tang.
- c) The fitting shall not be modified in any way.

**(e) Cunningham – also see Rules 3(a) & 3(b)**

- i. The cunningham system shall consist of a maximum three control lines, "Optional" blocks or loops for purchase with a **maximum of 5 "Turning Points"**.
- ii. The cunningham control line shall be securely attached to any of the mast, gooseneck, mast tang, swivel or shackle that may be used to attach the vang cleat block to the mast tang, the cunningham attachment point on the "Builder Supplied" vang cleating fitting or the becket of an optional becket block fixed on the cunningham attachment point on the "Builder-supplied" vang.

The cunningham control line shall pass through the sail tack cringle as a moving line.

The sail tack cringle shall be at least one of the **maximum of 5 "Turning Points" permitted by Rule 3(e)**.

- iii. Additional purchases may be obtained using rope loops, "Optional" blocks and using any of the boom, sail tack cringle, gooseneck fitting, mast tang, shackle attaching vang cleat block or swivel, the swivel, or the cunningham attachment point on a "Builder Supplied" vang cleating fitting.
- iv. Deck Block Fitting and Deck Cleat Base
  - The cunningham control line shall pass only once through the cunningham fairlead or "Optional" single block attached to the "Builder Supplied" deck block fitting and shall pass only once through the cunningham clam cleat or "Optional" cam cleat attached to the "Builder Supplied" deck cleat base.

**(f) Outhaul – also see Rules 3(a) & 3(b)**

- i. The outhaul system shall consist of a maximum of two control lines, "Optional" blocks or loops for purchase and a **maximum of 6 "Turning Points"**.
- ii. The outhaul control line shall be attached to either the end of the boom, the outhaul fairlead, the sail, or a quick release system, and shall pass through the boom outhaul fairlead as a moving line at least

once. The outhaul fairlead shall be at least one of the maximum of 6 "Turning Points" permitted by Rule 3(f).

- iii. Additional purchases may be obtained by forming rope loops in the line or adding "Optional" blocks to the line, and/or using the outhaul fairlead, the outhaul clam cleat, the boom, the mast or gooseneck fitting.

An "Optional" block may be attached to the outhaul fairlead, **provided** Rule 3(f)ii is also satisfied.

An "Optional" block may be attached to the outhaul clam cleat.

- iv. An "Optional" block may be attached to the clew of the sail, or to a quick release system, or be part of a quick release system.
- v. One or two "Optional" blocks may be attached to the gooseneck fitting, or at the mast/gooseneck junction with their "Turning Points" not more than 100mm from the centre of the gooseneck bolt. (The gooseneck may be inverted.) The blocks in this rule may also be attached to the gooseneck with a bolt or a pin.
- vi. A shock cord may be used as an inhaul on the clew
- vii. Shock cord and/or rope loops (rope loops may be part of the control line) can be tied around the boom and/or the outhaul control lines to retain the outhaul lines close to the boom.

**viii. Deck Led Outhaul System**

- a) When led to the deck, the outhaul control line shall pass only once through the cunningham fairlead or the outhaul "Optional" single block attached to the "Builder Supplied" deck block fitting and shall pass only once through the "Optional" cam cleat attached to the "Builder Supplied" deck cleat base.

- b) The boom outhaul clam cleat shall not be removed.

**(g) Clew Tie Down – also see Rules 3(a) & 3(b)**

- i. The clew of the sail shall be attached to the boom by either a tie line or a webbing strap with or without a fastening device wrapped around the boom and through the sail cringle, a quick release system attached to a tie line or soft strap wrapped around the boom, or a "Builder Supplied" stainless steel boom slide with quick release system. An additional outhaul extension tie line may be added between the clew of the sail and the outhaul or the quick release system.



- ii. If the clew tie down is a tie line, it may be passed through solid balls with holes and/or tubes to reduce friction.

**(h) Traveller – also see Rules 3(a) & 3(b)**

- i. The traveller shall be a single line. It shall be rigged as a simple closed loop through the traveller eyes and the free end passing through the traveller cleat. A splice that does not extend through the nearest traveller eye may be used at the non-free end.
- ii. A spring, ball or tape may be used between the traveller blocks.

**4. SAIL REGISTRATION NUMBERS, NATIONAL LETTERS AND NATIONAL FLAG**

**(For Laser Radial and 4.7 sail number positions please see part 4 rule 29(e) and 30(e))**

- (a) For Lasers up to sail number 148199, the sail number is a number moulded into the deck under the bow eye or into the transom, or displayed on a

plate attached to the rear of the cockpit.

For Lasers with sail numbers from 148200, the sail number is the number displayed on a unique World Sailing Building Plaque attached to the rear of the cockpit.

- (b) All numbers shall be in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing except as amended by these rules in respect of type, positioning and minimum dimensions:

Height 300 mm.

Width 200 mm (excluding digit 1).

Thickness 45 mm.

Space between adjoining numbers minimum 50 mm.

Sail numbers shall be regularly spaced.

Numbers on the starboard side shall be placed above those on the port side.

Each sail number digit shall be of one colour only.

The sail numbers shall be solid and easy to read.

After 1st March 1998 - sail numbers and national letters shall only be adhesive numbers. The use of permanent ink pens or similar to mark numbers and national letters on the sail is prohibited.

- (c) For sails with numbers above 153000 and sails purchased after 1st June 1993 the sail numbers shall be glued or sewn on each side of the sail, with the bottom of the numbers on the starboard side of the sail placed along a line parallel to and 400 mm (+ or - 12 mm) below the seam at the middle batten pocket. The bottom of the numbers on the port side of the sail shall be placed on a line 400 mm (+ or - 12 mm) below and parallel to the bottom of the numbers on the starboard side of the sail. The starboard sail numbers shall commence 100 mm (+ or - 12 mm) from the leech and the port side numbers shall end 100 mm (+ or - 12 mm) from the leech.

*(For additional guidance, see the Instructions for Applying Sail Numbers on p. 45 along with accompanying diagrams on pp. 46 - 49).*

- (d) Sail numbers from 131000, sails purchased after 1st June 1993 and new sails stamped "New Numbers" shall have numbers that are clearly visible with the last four digits of the number in one dark, distinctive colour or black and any preceding numbers in a different, contrasting, distinctive colour (red is recommended).
- (e) Exceptions to this Rule are permitted:
- when the hull and/or sail are provided by the organisers for an event and after approval of the International Laser Class Association, the numbers on the sail used for that event only may be single, double or triple digit numbers.
  - in the case of a Laser borrowed or chartered for a specific event, and after written approval from the Race Committee, a competitor may use a sail with numbers that are different to the sail number allocated to the hull. The sail number used shall be the sail number allocated to the competitor's own Laser. When the competitor does not own a Laser, the number used on the sail shall be the number of the Laser chartered.
  - when a sail is damaged during a series and Rule 7 (c) applies the sail number may contravene Rules 4 (a) and (e) ii only when written permission for a sail number change is given by the Race Committee.
- (f) **National Letters**, if required, shall conform to the same type, size, spacing and requirements as sail numbers (refer rule 4(b), (c), (d) and (e)) and shall be positioned as follows:

The letters on the starboard side of the *MKII* sail shall

be placed along the top edge of the seam below the bottom batten pocket (+ or - 12mm), for the *MKII* sail on a Base Line 400mm (+ or - 12mm) below the bottom batten pocket and on the port side of the sail along a line 400 mm (+ or - 12mm) below and parallel to the letters on the starboard side. The starboard letters shall commence 100 mm (+ or - 12 mm) from the leech and the port letters shall finish 100 mm (+ or - 12 mm) from the leech. The letters shall all be the same colour, which may be one of the colours of the digits of the sail number, or another distinctive colour [also see diagrams on pages 52-55].

National Letters shall be required at all World Championships, Regional Championships and events described as international events in the notice of race or sailing instructions. National Letters may be required at any other regatta by the notice of race or sailing instructions.

(g) **RED RHOMBUS**

- Sails used in the following women's events shall carry a red rhombus above the top batten pocket on both sides:
  - World or regional (continental) championships.
  - Events described as "international events" by the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions.
  - Other events that prescribe in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions that women competitors should be identified.
- The minimum size and approximate position shall comply with diagram on page 36.
- The rhombus may be retained for racing in other events.

(h) **NATIONAL FLAG**

If required by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, a national flag with a nominal size of 567 x 337 mm shall be applied to both sides of the mainsail. For the Standard and Radial sails, flags shall be positioned such that the aft edge of the flag is within 100 and 150 mm of the leech and between the sail numbers and the batten pocket below the sail numbers. The flag shall be approximately parallel with the sail numbers and letters and shall not touch the numbers. For the 4.7 sail, the flag shall be positioned within 100 and 150 mm of the leech but below and within 50 mm of the bottom batten pocket. The flag shall be printed on separate material applied to the sail. The use of permanent ink pens or similar to make a national flag is forbidden. The national flag shall correspond to the national letters.

5. **MAST**

No mast which has a permanent bend shall be used at any time.

6. **CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

- (a) In alteration of RRS 43.1 (b) the maximum total weight of competitors' clothing and equipment shall be 9kg (for Laser Radial and 4.7 rigs please see part 4).
- (b) Competitors shall not wear or carry non floating clothing or equipment which in total weight exceeds 500 grammes dead weight except protective sailing clothing.
- (c) For the purposes of weighing clothing and equipment as required by RRS Appendix H three coat hangers may be used instead of a rack.

7. **SAILING REQUIREMENTS**

- (a) The Laser shall be raced with either one or two persons aboard.

When two persons race a Laser they shall race together throughout the entire race or series of races without alternating at the helm.

- (b) No part of the helmsman or crew may be placed forward of the mast while racing.
- (c) Sails

In a series of races a sail shall not be changed for another unless written permission for an individual change is obtained from the race committee. Written permission shall only be given in the event of a sail damaged beyond repair or damaged to the extent that it cannot be repaired before the start of the next race in a series. In the event of a change the damaged sail shall not be used again in that series even if it is subsequently repaired.

For the purpose of this rule, a series is deemed to be two or more individual races which count towards an overall points total.

## 8. HULL COATINGS

The use of slowly soluble applications which might alter the boundary layer characteristics of the hull are prohibited.

## 9. CLASS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

No person is permitted to race a Laser in any Fleet, InterFleet, District, or other sanctioned event unless at least one member of the crew is a current member of the International Laser Class Association (a member of a District Laser Association duly established in accordance with the Constitution is a member of the International Laser Class Association).

## 10. ADVERTISING

Advertising, including competitor advertising, is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 - Advertising code; except that the sail window shall be kept free of advertising or other graphic material.

[Note: For information about World Sailing Regulation 20, see: <http://www.sailing.org/documents/regulations/regulations.php>]

# PART THREE

## OPTIONS & EXCEPTIONS

### TO PARTS ONE & TWO

## 11. HULL FINISH

- (a) Waxing, polishing and fine wet and dry sanding of the hull is permitted, provided the intention and effect is to polish the hull only. Polishing/sanding shall not be used to remove mould imperfections.
- (b) Sanding and refinishing of the hull with the intention or effect to lighten the hull or improve the performance, finish, materials or shape beyond the original is not permitted.

## 12. TRANSOM DRAIN BUNG

A retaining line may be attached to the transom drain bung and the gudgeon.

## 13. SELF BAILER

A self-bailing device as supplied only by the builder may be added. The bailer may be sealed with tape, filler or glue along its edge where it joins the hull and at the screw hole. Filling the screw hole level with the flat surface of the bailer is permitted. Fairing the flat surface of the bailer to the hull shape or changing the profile of the bailer is not permitted. The drain bung may be removed from the self-bailer, and the self bailer opening pin may be secured to the cockpit floor with self adhesive plastic tape. The builder-supplied o-rings may be substituted with non builder-supplied alternatives provided the basic function of the bailer is unchanged.

## 14. CENTREBOARD

- (a) A rope handle passing through not more than two

holes of maximum diameter 12.5 mm above a line drawn from the bottom of the centreboard stop, parallel to the top of the centreboard is permitted. A plastic/rubber tube and/or tape are permitted on the handle of the centreboard.

- (b) The trailing edge of the centreboard may be sharpened by sanding the blade between the trailing edge and a line 100 mm parallel to the trailing edge, provided the distance between the leading edge and the trailing edge of the blade is not reduced.
- (c) Surface refinishing of the centreboard is permitted provided the original shape, thickness and characteristics are not altered.
- (d) One layer of any material of maximum 2mm thickness and of a maximum size of 30mm x 30mm may be applied at the top front corner of the centreboard case. Vertical cuts are allowed in the material to allow the material to conform to the shape of the centreboard case.
- (e) A wood centreboard shall not be used on a hull that was originally supplied with a non wood centreboard.
- (f) A tie line or shock cord shall be attached to the small hole in the upper forward corner of the centreboard, and any of the bow eye, the cunningham fairlead, the "Builder Supplied" deck block fitting and the mast to prevent loss of the centreboard in event of a capsized. The tie line or shock cord may be looped around the bow, but shall not be attached to the gunwale. Attachment can be by knots or loops in the shock cord, and/or tie lines, shackles, clips, hooks or eyes. When the shock cord is attached to the bow eye it may also pass through an attachment to the "Builder Supplied" deck block fitting or the cunningham fairlead.
- (g) The components of the "Builder Supplied" centreboard stopper may be secured together by glue, screws, bolts, nuts and washers, provided the original shape and dimensions are not reduced.

## 15. RUDDER

- (a) The trailing edge of the rudder blade may be sharpened by sanding the blade between the trailing edge and a line 60 mm parallel to the trailing edge, provided the distance between the leading edge and the trailing edge of the blade is not reduced.
- (b) Surface refinishing of the rudder blade is permitted provided that the original shape, thickness and characteristics are not altered.
- (c) The rudder blade and/or rudder head holes may be enlarged up to a maximum diameter of 10mm. The rudder bolt and bush set may be replaced with a larger diameter bolt to fit this hole. The bolt head, nut and washers shall fall within a 20mm diameter circle.
- (d) To achieve the maximum 78 degree rudder angle relative to the bottom edge of the rudder head, the leading edge of the blade may be cut away where it touches the spacing pin.
- (e) To restrict the rudder angle to maximum 78 degrees relative to the bottom edge of the rudder head, the lower forward spacing pin may be wound with flexible adhesive tape.
- (f) The rudder pintles may be fitted with spacers to lift the rudder head to allow the tiller to clear the deck at the transom.
- (g) The rudder downhaul line may have multiple purchases.
- (h) A hole may be drilled in the top rudder pintle and a

pin or clip inserted in the hole to prevent loss of the rudder.

- (i) A wood rudder shall not be used on a hull that was originally supplied with a non wood rudder.
- (j) The rudder shall be maintained in the full down position except whilst racing in water less than 1.5m deep unless otherwise specified in the sailing instructions.
- (k) Padding of uniform thickness may be used in the gap between the rudder blade and rudder head. This padding must cover completely the part of the rudder blade that comes in contact with the rudder head. The thickness of the rudder blade plus the padding must not exceed 20.3mm.

#### 16. TILLER

- (a) The tiller and tiller extension are not restricted in any way except that the tiller:
  - i. shall be capable of being removed from the rudder head.
  - ii. shall be fitted with a cleat, hook, pin or eye to secure the downhaul.
  - iii. shall, except for normal wear caused by the traveller rope, be straight along its topmost edge between a point 30 mm in front of the forward edge of the rudder head and the cockpit end of the tiller.
- (b) The tiller may be fitted with an "anti wear" strip or tube of not more than 200 mm in length placed above the level of the straight edge required by 16 (a) iii and only where the traveller crosses the tiller.
- (c) The use of a tiller retaining pin is optional.

#### 17. HIKING STRAP

- (a) The hiking strap may be substituted with any type of non-stretch material and it may be padded.
- (b) The hiking strap may be fixed to the cockpit at the forward end by wrapping the strap around the mainsheet block plastic pressure plate or by using both the centreboard friction attachment plate and the mainsheet block plastic pressure plate.
- (c) The hiking strap supporting line between the aft end of the hiking strap and the eye straps on the aft face of the cockpit may be rigged in any manner so that the hiking strap is fixed or adjustable and may include one cleat; one ring, thimble, or shackle; or both.

- (d) A shock cord may be attached between the aft end of the hiking strap and to either the traveller cleat, or the hiking strap eye straps at the aft end of the cockpit.

#### 18. BOOM

- (a) A metal sleeve supplied by the builder of maximum length 900 mm may be fixed inside the boom. The sleeve shall not extend aft of the point 1220 mm from the front end of the boom (including plug).
- (b) The stainless steel mainsheet eye strap between the two blocks on the boom may be replaced with a soft strap. The maximum width of the soft strap shall be 26mm. The soft strap shall only be fixed to the boom using the holes drilled by the builder as shown in the diagram below.
- (c) Traveller and Boom mounted mainsheet blocks may be replaced with the "Builder Supplied" blocks shown in the photo.



#### 19. MAST

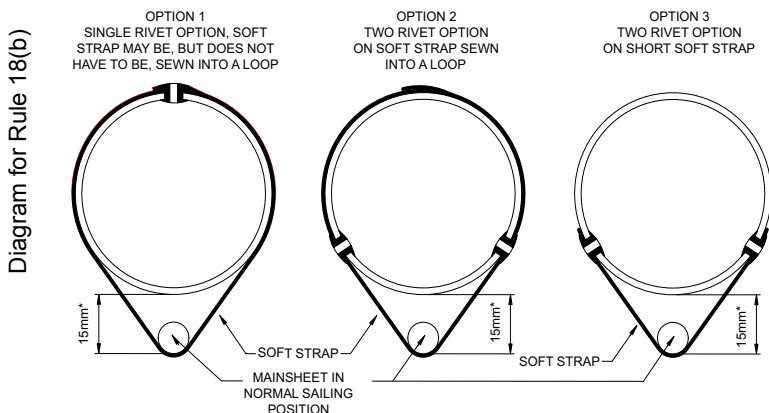
- (a) To prevent abrasion of the mast step, tubes or collars of uniform thickness not exceeding 1 mm in total may be placed around the entire circumference of the lower mast or the mast step cavity. A tube or collar shall not extend more than 10 mm above deck level.



In addition, a disc of uniform thickness not exceeding 1mm in thickness may be placed in the bottom of the mast step.

- (b) The mast or mast cavity may be lubricated.
- (c) Tape or other bushing material may be applied to both the plastic end cap, the collar of the upper mast and the upper mast to ensure a snug fit. The tape or bushing material may only be used on that portion of the plastic parts that actually slide into the lower section and/or between the upper mast and the collar and it shall be a uniform thickness around the circumference. Taping or bushing material above the collar to fair the collar into the mast is prohibited.
- (d) Flexible adhesive tape may be applied to the outside of the joint of the upper and lower mast sections to a limit of 40mm above and below the

#### CROSS SECTIONS THROUGH BOOMS AND SOFT STRAPS SHOWING THE ONLY LEGAL FIXING OPTIONS



NOTES:  
1. 15mm DIMENSION MARKED \* IS NOMINAL  
2. HOLES FOR OPTIONS 2 AND 3 ARE POSITIONED TO FIT THE ORIGINAL STAINLESS STEEL EYE STRAP  
3. NO BOOM SHALL BE DRILLED WITH THREE HOLES AT THE BOOM STRAP POSITION

joint to prevent rotation of the mast sections at the joint.

## 20. INSPECTION PORTS

Inspection ports not exceeding 153 mm internal diameter may be installed on the deck or in the cockpit to provide access to the hull cavity, provided that any inspection port is fitted with watertight threaded covers (any bayonet mounted parts are deemed to be not threaded).

Storage receptacles are permitted underneath hatch covers.

## 21. CLIPS AND STORAGE BAGS

Clips, ties or bags to stow or secure safety or other equipment may be used on the deck, in the cockpit, around the mast or boom.

## 22. COMPASS, ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT AND TIMING DEVICES

(a) One compass mounted on any part of the deck or the cockpit is permitted if the hull cavity is not pierced by anything other than the fasteners. Compasses may not be fitted to inspection ports. An additional wrist mounted compass is permitted. Electronic, self-contained, digital compasses using only magnetic input are permitted.

(b) Timing devices are permitted.

(c) A timing device and electronic compass may be integrated in the same device.

(d) A compass or timing device must not be capable of displaying, delivering, transmitting, receiving, calculating, correlating or storing information about wind speed, wind direction, boat speed or boat position.

(e) Any use of electronic equipment not specifically allowed in the rules is prohibited unless the rules are modified by the sailing instructions.

## 23. WIND INDICATORS

(a) Wind indicators may be attached as desired provided the sail is not cut and the buoyancy qualities of the hull and mast are not impaired.

(b) Ribbons, wool or similar wind indicators may be attached to the sail.

## 24. TAPE AND LINE

The use of flexible adhesive tape or similar or line is permitted to secure shackle pins and clips, and to bind sheets, control lines and rigging, except that tape or line shall not be used to construct new fittings or modify the function of existing fittings.

## 25. SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Any additional equipment required by an international, national or other governing authority for safety purposes may be fitted or carried provided it is not used in contravention of the FUNDAMENTAL RULE.

## 26. REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

(a) Repairs and preventative maintenance to the sail, hull, deck, centreboard, rudder, mast, boom or any fittings and fixings may be carried out without violation of these Rules provided such repairs are made in such a way that the essential shape, characteristics or function of the original are not affected.

(b) In the event of the failure of any fittings, or the replacement of fittings as authorised by these Rules, the fitting or the replacement shall be the same type as the original and shall be placed in a position conforming to the Measurement Diagrams.

(c) Preventative maintenance includes the replacement of fasteners (screws, bolts, nuts, washers and rivets) provided the replacement does not alter the function of the fitting. The tolerances of the Measurement Diagrams shall not be used to alter the position of

fittings. In addition the reversing of spars is permitted if the fittings are replaced in accordance with the Measurement Diagrams. Any holes in the top section of the mast shall be permanently sealed with a rivet or similar to maintain the buoyancy of the mast.

(d) Sail panels and luff sleeves shall not be replaced.

(e) Any flotation equipment (flotation foam blocks or Cubitainer inserts) that is defective or has been removed shall be replaced by fully air filled, builder supplied, Cubitainer inserts which shall have an equal volume to the defective or removed flotation equipment.

(f) The use of lubricants is unrestricted except that they shall not be used on the hull (below the gunwales).

## 27. REEFING

The sail may be reefed by rolling the sail around the mast 1 or 2 times.

## 28. BOAT OR BODY MOUNTED CAMERA

One camera may be attached to the sailor or may be mounted on the boat if the hull cavity is not pierced by anything other than the fasteners.

# PART FOUR LASER RADIAL RIG AND LASER 4.7 RIG OPTIONS

Part 4 of the Laser Class Rules shall be read in conjunction with the remainder of the Laser Class Rules.

When the Laser Radial or the Laser 4.7 rigs are used the Rules of Parts 1, 2, 3 and 5 of the Laser Class Rules apply except where specifically amended by Part Four.

## 29. LASER RADIAL

(a) The Laser Radial sail and bottom mast as supplied by an approved Builder shall conform to the measurement diagrams which form part of these Rules.

(b) The Laser Radial rig may be used in any Laser regatta subject to the conditions in 29 (c) and any restrictions in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.

(c) The Laser Radial rig may only be used in District Championships and higher level regattas when prescribed in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.

(d) In a series of races a Laser Radial rig shall not be changed for a Laser or Laser 4.7 rig. A series is 2 or more races that count towards an overall points total.

(e) SAIL REGISTRATION NUMBERS & NATIONAL LETTERS

Rules 4(c) and (f) shall be amended to read as follows:

4(c) For Laser Radial sails with numbers above 153000 and sails purchased after 1st June 1993 the sail numbers shall be glued or sewn on each side of the sail, with the bottom of the numbers on the starboard side of the sail placed along a line parallel to and 400 mm (+ or - 12 mm) below the underside of the middle batten pocket. The bottom of the numbers on the port side of the sail shall be placed on a line 400 mm (+ or - 12 mm) below and parallel to the bottom of the numbers on the starboard side of the sail. The starboard sail numbers shall commence 100 mm (+ or - 12 mm) from the leech and the port side numbers shall finish 100 mm (+ or - 12 mm) from the leech.

*(For additional guidance, see the Instructions for Applying Sail Numbers on p. 45 along with accompanying diagrams on pp. 46 - 49).*

**4(f) National Letters**, if required, shall conform to the same type, size, spacing and requirements as sail numbers (refer rule 4(b), (c), (d) and (e)) and shall be positioned as follows (also see diagram):

The top of the letters on the starboard side of the sail shall be placed on the bottom edge of the bottom batten pocket and its extension (+ 12 mm). The starboard letters shall commence 100 mm (+ or - 12 mm) from the leech. The bottom of the letters on the port side shall be placed on a line 400 mm (+ or - 12 mm) below and parallel to the bottom of the letters on the starboard side of the sail. The port letters shall finish 100 mm (+ or - 12 mm) from the leech. The letters shall all be the same colour, which may be one of the colours of the digits of the sail number, or another distinctive colour.

National Letters shall be required at all World Championships, Regional Championships and events described as international events in the notice of race or sailing instructions. National Letters may be required at any other regatta by the notice of race or sailing instructions.

**(f) CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

Rule 6(a) shall be amended to read as follows:

**6(a)** For the purposes of RRS 43.1 (b) the maximum total weight of competitors clothing and equipment shall be 9 kg.

**30. LASER 4.7**

**(a)** The Laser 4.7 sail and bottom mast as supplied by an approved Builder shall conform to the measurement diagrams which form part of these Rules.

**(b)** The Laser 4.7 rig may be used in any Laser regatta subject to the conditions in 30 (c) and any restrictions in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.

**(c)** The Laser 4.7 rig may only be used in District Championships and higher level regattas when prescribed in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.

**(d)** In a series of races a Laser 4.7 rig shall not be changed for a Laser or Laser Radial rig. A series is 2 or more races that count towards an overall points total.

**(e) SAIL REGISTRATION NUMBERS**

Rules 4(b), 4(c) and 4(f) shall be amended to read as follows:

**4(b)** On Laser 4.7 sails all numbers shall be in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing and shall be of the following minimum dimensions:

Height 220 mm.

Width 150 mm excluding digit 1.

Thickness 30 mm.

**Note: Optimist Class legal numbers conform to this rule.**

**The maximum height to conform is 240mm.**

Space between adjoining numbers / letters and rows minimum 30 mm.

Sail numbers shall be regularly spaced.

Numbers on the starboard side shall be placed above those on the port side.

Each number digit shall be one colour only.

The numbers shall be solid and easy to read.

**4(c)** For Laser 4.7 sails with numbers above 153000 and sails purchased after 1st June 1993 the sail numbers shall be glued or sewn on each side of the sail, with the bottom of the starboard numbers placed along the top edge of a line placed 270mm

(0 to +12mm) below and parallel to the seam below the bottom edge of the middle batten pocket. The port side numbers shall be placed along a line 270mm below and parallel to the bottom of the starboard side numbers. The starboard side numbers shall commence 100 mm (+ or - 12 mm) from the leech and the port side numbers shall end 100 mm (+ or - 12 mm) from the leech.

**(For additional guidance, see the Instructions for Applying Sail Numbers on p. 45 along with accompanying diagrams on pp. 46 - 49).**

**4(f)** National letters, if required, shall conform to the same type, size, spacing and requirements as Laser 4.7 numbers (refer rule 29 (e) 4 (b)).

For all Laser 4.7 sails with numbers from 190000, and for sails purchased from 1 April 2006 onwards. The bottom of the starboard side letters shall be placed along a line 270mm (+12mm) below and parallel to the bottom of the numbers on the port side and start 100mm (+ or -12mm) from the leech. The bottom of the letters on the port side shall be placed along a line 270mm (+12mm) below and parallel to the bottom of the letters on the starboard side and finish 100mm (+ or -12mm) from the leech.

For Laser 4.7 sails with numbers under 190000 that were purchased before 1 April 2006, they may be placed as above or along the same line, 270mm below and parallel to the bottom of the numbers on the port side, on opposite sides of the sail. The letters on the port side shall be closer to the leech than those on the starboard side, with the port side letters finishing 100mm (+ or - 12mm) from the leech.

National Letters shall be required at all World Championships, Regional Championships and events described as international events in the notice of race or sailing instructions. National Letters may be required at any other regatta by the notice of race or sailing instructions.

The letters shall all be the same colour, which may be one of the colours of the digits of the sail number, or another distinctive colour.

**(f) MAST**

Rule 5 shall be amended to read as follows:

**5** The Laser 4.7 bottom mast is supplied with a pre-bend aft of approximately 5 degrees. The pre-bend shall not be increased or decreased. No top mast that has permanent bend in it shall be used at any time.

**(g) CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

Rule 6(a) shall be amended to read as follows:

**6(a)** In alteration of RRS 43.1 (b) the maximum total weight of competitors clothing and equipment shall be 8 kg.

## PART FIVE

### 31. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these Rules shall be approved by each of:

- (a)** the World Council,
- (b)** the Advisory Council,
- (c)** at least two-thirds of the membership casting a vote in response to a ballot published by the International Office of the Class. Only those votes submitted within one month from the date of publication of the rule change ballot shall be valid, and
- (d)** World Sailing.

# Class Rule Interpretations

1. Approved compasses that meet the requirements of Rule 22. Compass, Electronic Equipment and Timing Devices. A list of approved compasses can be found on the ILCA website - please go to the "Interpretations" tab under "Laser Class Rules".
2. Repairs and Maintenance: Sailors may apply anti-abrasion material at the traveller fairleads to prevent wear of the deck as a form of preventative maintenance under rule 26(a).
3. Hiking Strap: A sheaveless block, such as the "shock block" or equivalent, will be considered a ring for the purpose of rule 17(c).



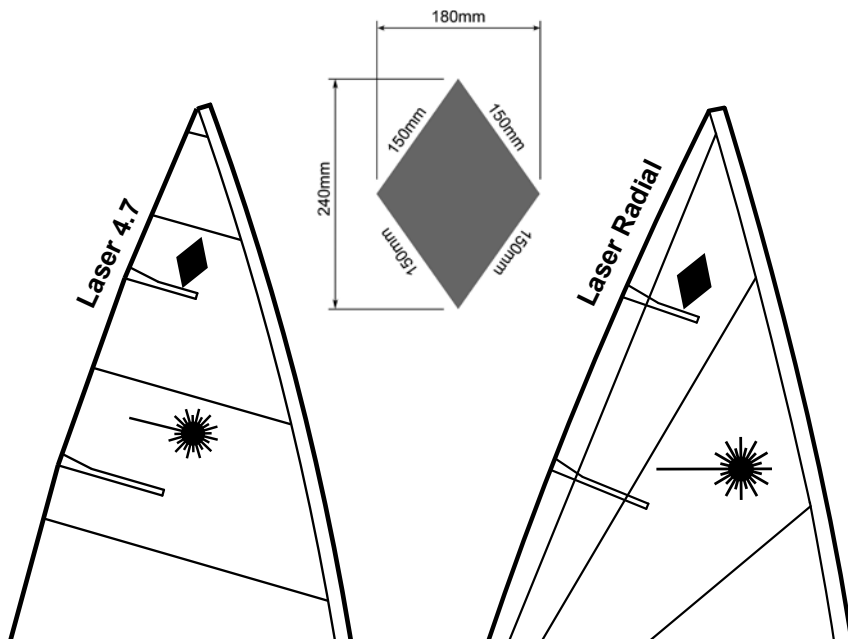
## Instructions for Applying Red Rhombus For Women's Events

Sails used in the following women's events shall carry a red rhombus above the top batten pocket on both sides;

- a. World or regional (continental) championships.
- b. Events described as "international events" by the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions.
- c. Other events that prescribe in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions that women competitors should be identified.

The minimum size and approximate position shall comply with diagrams below.

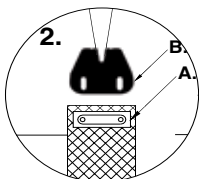
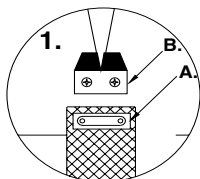
The rhombus may be retained for racing in other events.



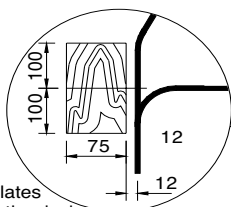
# Measurement Diagrams (pages 37 to 43 part of class rules)

**All dimensions shown in millimetres**

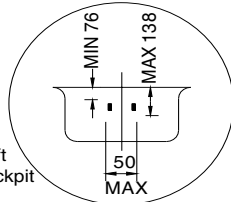
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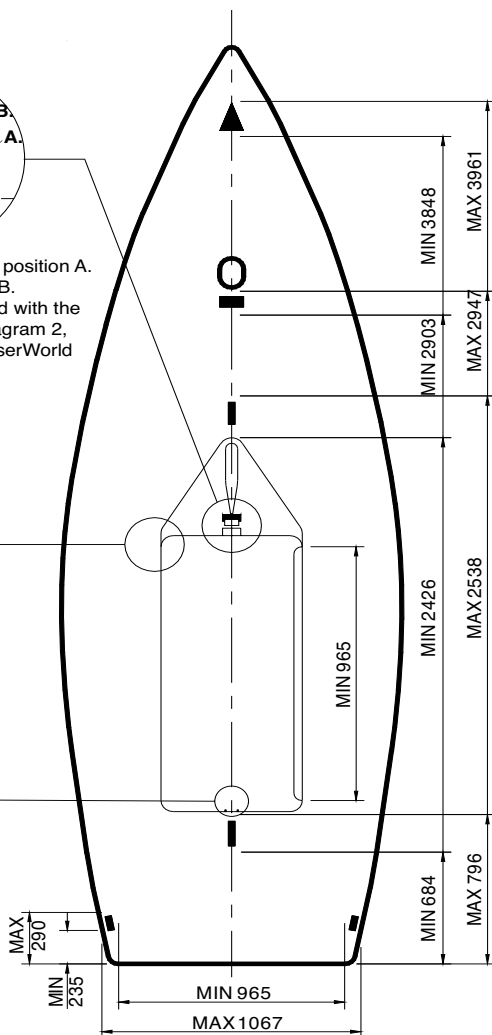
Mainsheet block shall be attached to eyestrap in position A.  
Centreboard Brake shall be attached in position B.  
Centreboard Brake in diagram 1 may be replaced with the builder supplied Centreboard Brake shown in diagram 2, available mid/late 2009 (see December 2008 LaserWorld or [www.laserinternational.org](http://www.laserinternational.org))



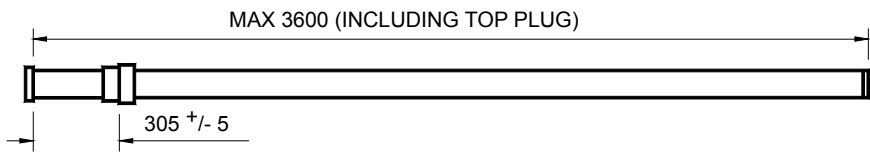
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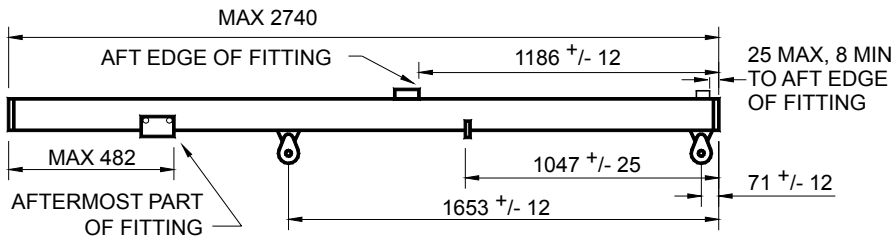
Eyes at aft end of cockpit



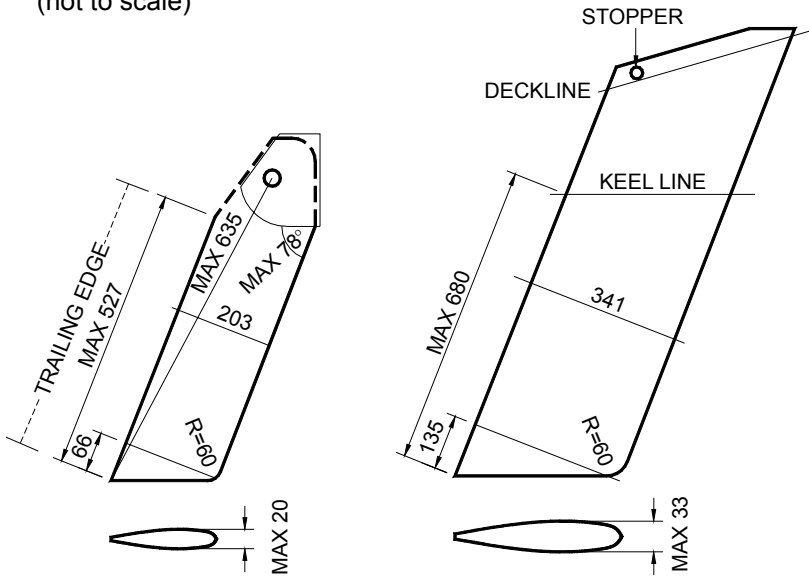
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LASER, LASER RADIAL & LASER 4.7 BOOM

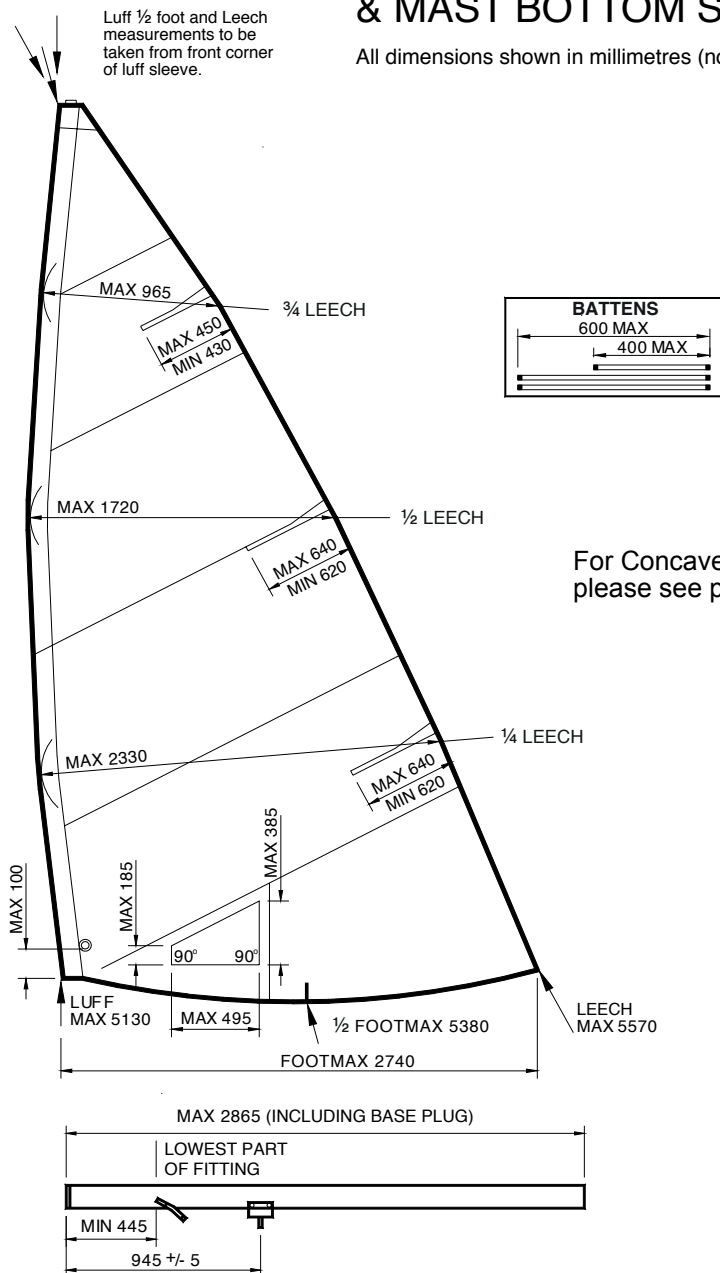


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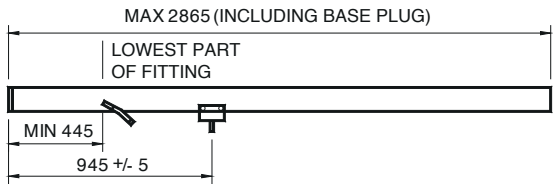
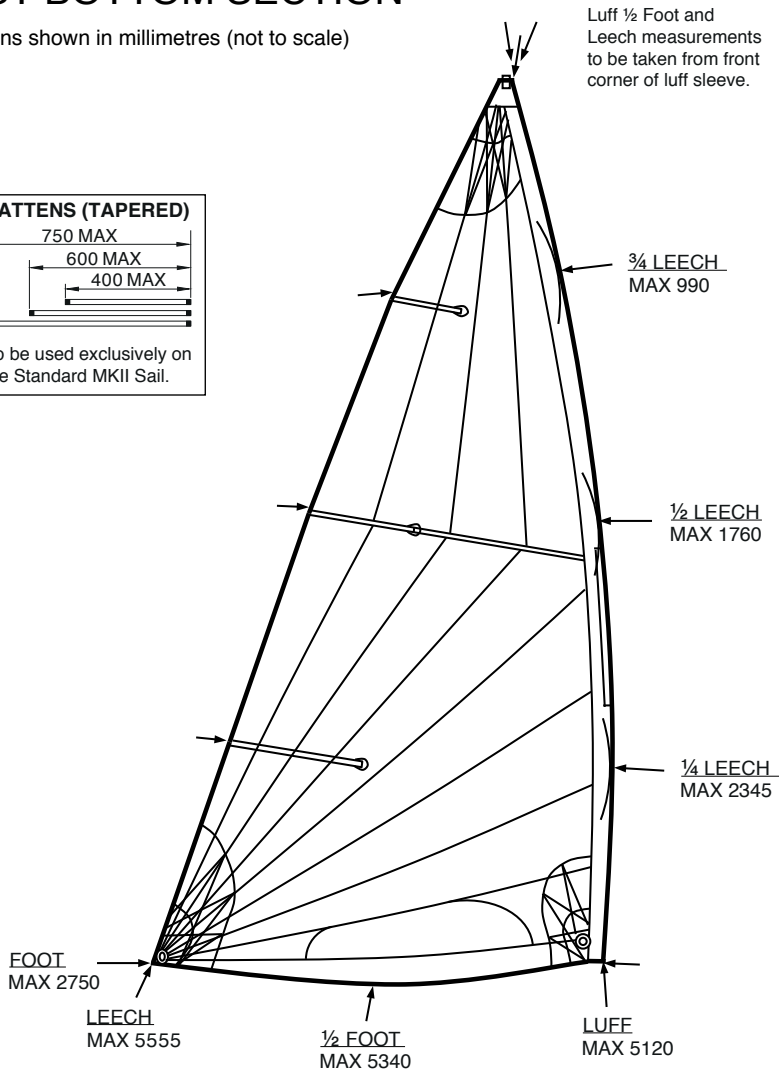
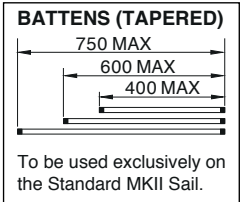
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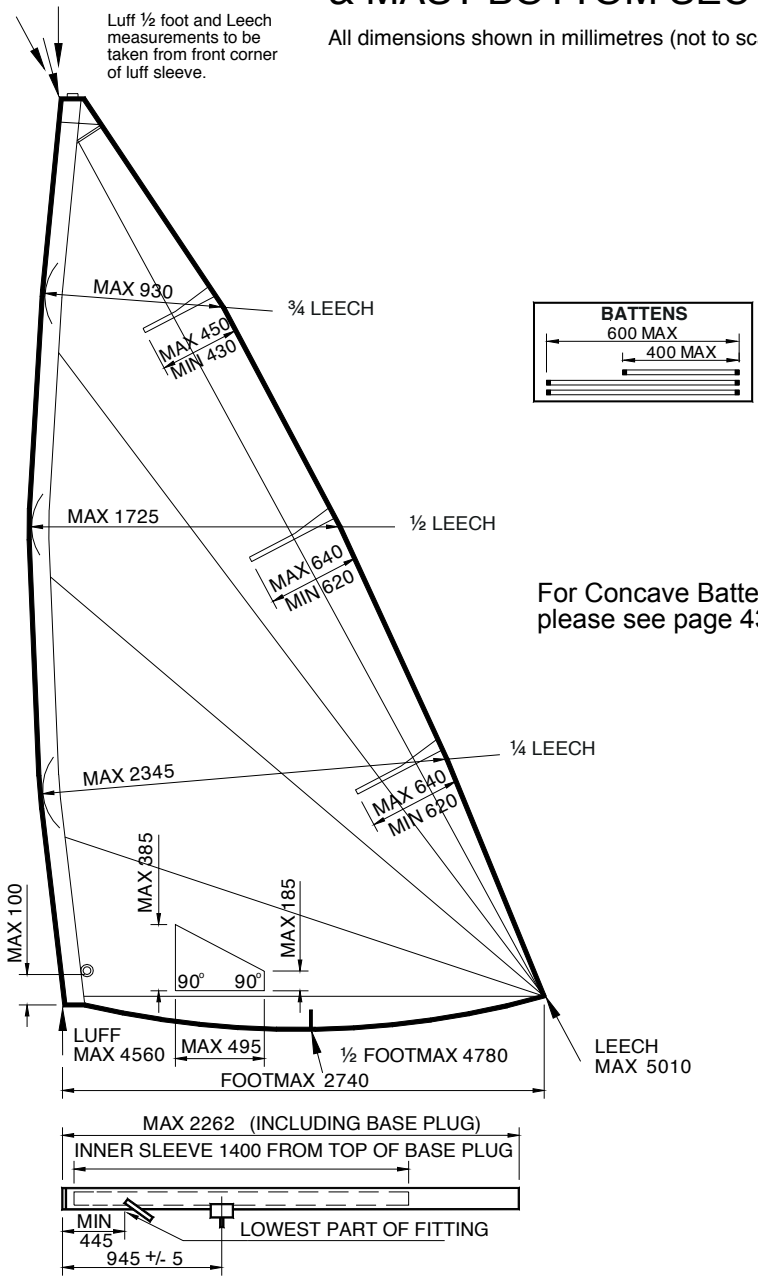
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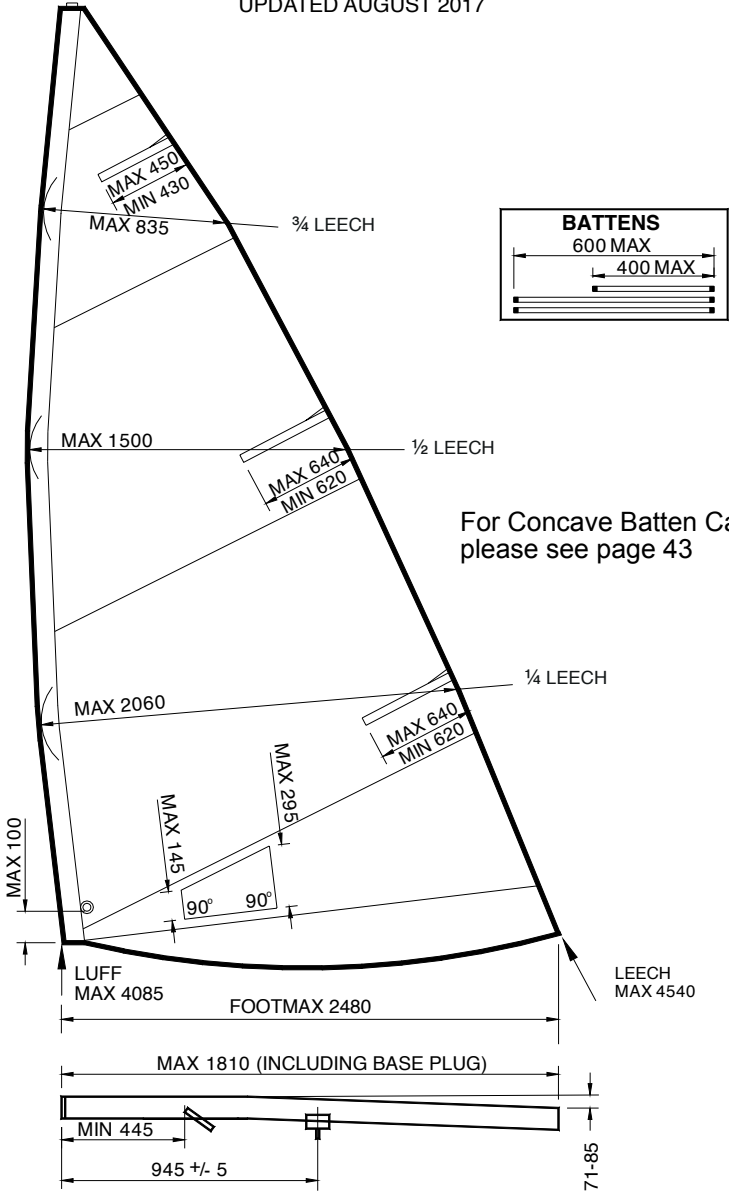


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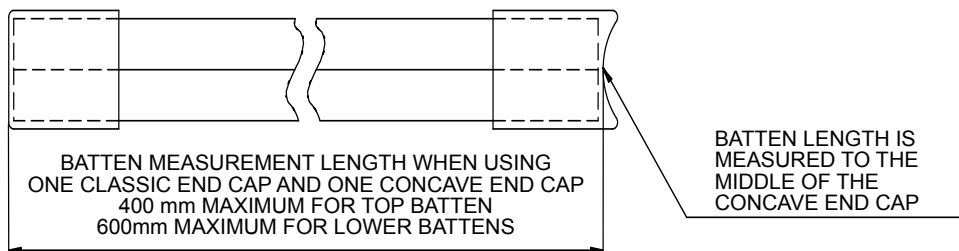
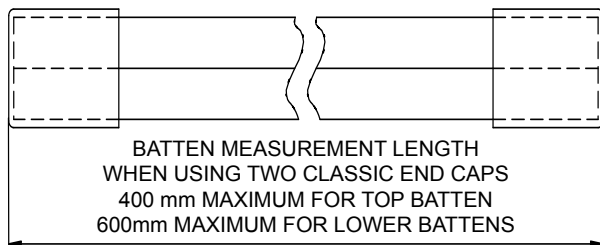
Luff and Leech measurements to be taken from front corner of luff sleeve.



# Concave Batten Caps

**For Laser 4.7, Radial and Standard MKI (Cross Cut) Sails  
Not applicable for Standard MKII (Bi-Radial Cut) Sails**

The diagrams below illustrate the methods to be used for the measurement of battens using both classic and concave end caps. Please see pages 39-42 for full sail and bottom section diagrams.



# ILCA By-Law 2:

## District General By-Law

### 1. NAME

The name of the District Association shall be the (Name or Geographic Designation) ..... Laser Association and it shall have its offices at Address ..... in the City of .....

### 2. OBJECTS

The objects of the District Association are

- (a) to provide a medium of exchange of information among Laser Sailors in the District;
- (b) to promote and develop Laser Class racing within this District;
- (c) to encourage and foster the enjoyment of the sporting and recreational aspects of sailing through the development of fleets within the District; and
- (d) to co-ordinate the activities of this District with other Districts within the Region.

### 3. FLEET CHARTERS

- (1) A fleet may be granted a Fleet Charter upon application to the District Association by six or more persons who are members of the International Laser Class Association and who are individual owners of Lasers within an area or club deemed appropriate having regard to locality where regular racing activity is easily accessible to members of that Fleet.
- (2) Notwithstanding Paragraph (1), a special Fleet may be chartered in any locality for the purposes of accommodating specific members of the armed forces, an educational institution, a junior programme or any other non-profit organisation.
- (3) A Fleet Captain, and such other officers if any as the Fleet may deem necessary, shall be elected annually from among the members of the Fleet in such manner as is prescribed by the Fleet, unless otherwise provided by a By-Law of the District Association, and shall be responsible to the District Association for the organisation of the Fleet and the due compliance by the members of the Fleet with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association.

### 4. ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

The District Association shall be comprised of a

- (a) District Chairman who shall be responsible for the co-ordination of all activities of the District Association within the District, shall represent the District at Annual Meetings of the Region in accordance with the Constitution of the International Laser Class Association, shall chair all Annual Meetings of the District Association, and shall otherwise perform the normal functions of the senior officer within the District;
- (b) District Vice Chairman who shall act in the place instead of the Chairman in the event of his inability or refusal to act and in addition he shall be the Sailing Secretary of the District and be responsible for the development of District racing programmes of all kinds, the supervision of sanctioned events, and co-ordination with other Sailing Secretaries of all inter-District racing;

- (c) District Secretary who shall be responsible for maintaining all membership and other records and correspondence of the District Association, the preparation of the District Newsletter, if any, and shall otherwise carry out such responsibilities as may be assigned to him by the District Chairman;
  - (d) District Treasurer who shall be responsible for determination of the entitlement of applicants to membership in accordance with Paragraph 10 of the Constitution, the collection of dues to be levied for membership in accordance with Section 11 of the said Constitution, the maintenance of all accounts to the District membership thereon and preparation of an annual financial statement for the membership; and
  - (e) District Measurer, if one is appointed by the Chief Measurer of the International Laser Class Association, who shall carry out the responsibilities set forth in subparagraph (6) of paragraph 8 of the Constitution.
5. The District Association may appoint such additional officers to perform such duties or to carry out such special projects as may from time to time be determined by the District Association and they shall hold office for such term as it may determine.
6. The District Association may appoint such committees, as may be deemed appropriate from time to time to carry out the functions and duties as are prescribed by the District Association; and the District Chairman shall be a member ex-officio of any committee so established.
- ### 7. ANNUAL MEETINGS AND ELECTION TO OFFICE
- (1) The District Association shall hold an Annual Meeting at such time as may be determined by resolution of the District Association, but not later than fifteen months from the date of the last Annual Meeting.
  - (2) Notice of the Annual Meeting shall be sent to all members of the District Association not less than fourteen days prior to the Meeting and such notice shall include:
    - (a) an agenda for the said Meeting,
    - (b) a notice of any special By-Law whether to amend the District General By-Law or to enact any other By-Laws,
    - (c) a summary of the annual reports of the District Chairman and the Treasurer, and
    - (d) a report of the nominating committee, if any, for the election of officers for the ensuing year.
  - (3) Any member of the District Association shall be entitled to attend the Annual General Meeting and to vote thereat.
  - (4) A majority of members voting in favour of a resolution at the Annual Meeting shall be sufficient, except for resolutions which report to amend the District General By-Law or to enact any other By-Law which shall require a two-thirds majority thereof to be effective.
  - (5) Officers of the Association elected at an Annual General Meeting of the Association shall hold office until their successors are elected.

## 8. FEES

The annual fees of the District Association shall be payable to the Association not later than the first day of March in any year or such other day as the District Association shall by By-Law determine, provided that no person may race a Laser in any event after the last date for payment shall fall due unless the said dues have been fully paid and he shall be a member of the International Laser Class Association as required by the Class Rules.

## 9. DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

- (1) The District Association shall annually sponsor a District Championship sailing event which shall be open to any member of the District Association to be held at such place within the District as the District Association shall determine.
- (2) The District Championship event shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Racing By-Law passed by the World Council.

## 10. BY-LAWS

The District Association may make By-Laws for the purpose of carrying out the objects of these General By-Laws and, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, may make By-Laws

- (1) determining the fiscal year of the District Association;
- (2) determining the period within which the Annual General Meeting must be held;
- (3) establishing nominating committees and methods of formation thereof;
- (4) subject to any By-Law of the International Laser Class Association, respecting the conduct of any regatta within the District and the eligibility of members for major racing events;
- (5) respecting the acceptance of deeds of gift of trophies;
- (6) changing the Head Office of the District;
- (7) respecting the conduct of the business of the District;
- (8) giving effect to the provisions of any local or general public law having application in the District enacted by any governmental body having jurisdiction;
- (9) respecting the organisation, constitution, and operation of fleets within the District; and
- (10) respecting the constitution and eligibility for committees including nominating committees.

## 11. COMING INTO FORCE

- (1) This By-Law comes into force
- (a) in respect of any District established by the World Council prior to the first day of November 1973, on the said date; and
- (b) in respect of any District established on or after the first day of November 1973, on the date of the By-Law of the World Council establishing such District pursuant to provisions of Section 8 of the Constitution.
- (c) The World Council upon establishing a District shall designate the name of the District and the location of the offices thereof and may, in addition, approve any addition to the said District General

By-Law as may be required to meet the laws of such District or any special circumstances, provided such additions are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution or this By-Law.

# ILCA By-Law 3: Measurement

1. If a protest is lodged against a boat alleging that there has been an alteration or addition thereto not permitted by the Rules of the Class, and the Race Committee, on investigation, is in doubt as to whether a violation of the Rules has occurred, it shall measure the part of the boat subject to protest in accordance with paragraph 2.

## 2. (a) Hull

The part of the hull of the boat subject to protest shall be measured in accordance with the measurement directions attached as Schedule A and the same part of not less than five (5) other Lasers, chosen by the Race Committee as random samples, shall be measured in the same manner. The Race Committee shall select, if possible, Lasers which show no evidence of having been repaired or altered and which do not have inspection ports.

The arithmetic mean of the measurements of the boats chosen as the sample shall be calculated, and the protested boat shall be disqualified if the difference between the mean value so determined and the measurement on the boat subject to protest shall exceed the following values for the measurements indicated:

any point along the keel line (rocker): 2 mm  
any other area of the hull: 3 mm

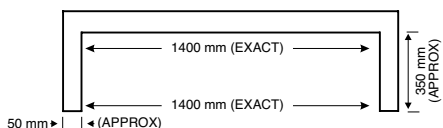
## (b) Equipment

If any mast, boom, fitting, centreboard or rudder is the subject of a protest as to size, shape or location, measurement thereof shall be governed by the drawings and tolerances set forth in the Measurement Diagrams (Ref: By-Law 1 - Rules)

3. This By-Law shall be read and construed in conjunction with the Rules of the International Laser Class Association and the Interpretation of the Chief Measurer, and may be amended by the World Council with the approval of World Sailing.

## Schedule A to By-Law 3

### 1. Measurement Template



### 2. Measurement of Hull

Turn boat upside down. Starting at the transom, measure out a distance along the keel line and establish point A, which will fall roughly athwartships of point X, the area under protest.

Lay a straight edge across the transom as shown in the sketch and measure out a distance along the vertical

surface of the gunwale and establish point B, which will fall approximately in line with the measured point on the keel line (A) and the area under protest (X). Distances shown are as an example only.

The centre line of the boat must then be established at point A. This will be easy in the front one third of the boat but, to find the centre line in the aft two thirds, stretch a string over the centre of the centreboard opening and the centre of the bailer depression and extend fore and aft, as necessary. Mark the centre line at point A. Now measure from point A to point X and retain this figure to establish an equal point of measurement on the five random sample boats.

Place the centre of the measurement template on point A (Diagram 2), line up the vertical arms with points B and equalise exactly the distance from the horizontal bar to the inside of the gunwale on each side of the boat.

Measure the shortest distance from point X up to the horizontal bar and record this measurement (96 mm in example).

This procedure should now be repeated using all the distances established above and a similar reading obtained for the distances from the hull to the horizontal cross bar on the other five sample boats.

Example: Measurements on 5 sample boats:

93 + 94 + 94 + 97 + 96	= 474
Arithmetic mean = 474/5	= 94.8
Measurement on protested boat	= 96
Difference	= 1.2

Diagram 1

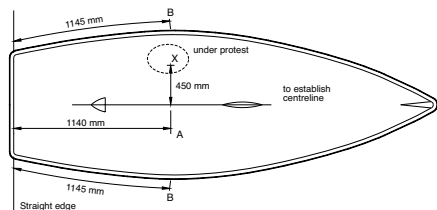
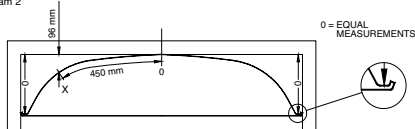


Diagram 2



This does not exceed mean value by more than 3 mm, therefore protest is disallowed.

### Measurement of Rocker

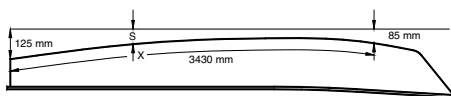
Turn boat upside down. Measure out a distance of 3430 mm along the keel line of the boat.

Set up a taut string over the centre line of the boat exactly 125 mm above the keel at the transom and 85 mm above the keel at 3430 mm from the transom.

Measure distance along keel to point under protest (point X) and retain this figure to establish an equal point of measurement on the five sample boats.

Measure the shortest point from point X to the string and then repeat procedure with five sample boats.

Calculate arithmetic mean of the measurements from the five sample boats. Point under protest should not



deviate by more than 2 mm.

## ILCA By-Law 4: District Measurers

- The responsibilities of the District Measurer and any assistant shall include:
  - generally, ensuring that throughout the District, the principles of the Rules are understood and complied with;
  - National and District championships and other events designated by the District Chairman as requiring the attendance of the District Measurer;
  - perform a pre-race inspection following ILCA standard procedures of boats to be sailed in such event and report to each owner and to the Race Committee Chairman the owner and number of any boat which, if sailed in such event, would violate the Rules and be subject to protest and submit a written summary report of each event to the ILCA Chief Measurer within 2 weeks of the championship ending;
  - assist the Race Committee at such event, upon request, with any protests to which the Measurement By-Law applies;
  - issue interim rulings respecting the Rules, not previously the subject of an Interpretation of the Chief Measurer, provided that such interpretation shall be committed to writing following such event and submitted to the Chief Measurer for confirmation or variation as he shall see fit. Any such interim interpretation shall be binding and valid for the event for which it shall have been issued.
  - carry out such additional responsibilities (as a member of the Executive of the District Association) as may be assigned to him.
  - to make an annual report to the ILCA Chief Measurer on the measurement and inspection that has taken place in the year.
- No person shall be nominated for the position of District Measurer unless he has displayed, to the satisfaction of the District Chairman and Sailing Secretary:
  - a thorough appreciation of the Constitution of the Laser Class;
  - an appreciation of the principles as set forth in Part 1 of the Rules;
  - a thorough knowledge of the Rules, the Interpretations issued thereunder and the Measurement By-Law of the Class, including the ability to carry out measurements in accordance with the Measurement By-Law; and
  - that he is a person who maintains his Laser in a condition which does not violate any of the Rules of the Class and whose attitude towards the

enforcement of the Rules has been and is likely to be, beyond reproach.

3. The position of District Measurer is limited to a two year period, after which the existing Measurer can be re-proposed or an alternative proposed by the District Chairman as set out in point 4 below.
4. The District Chairman, upon satisfying himself in respect of the items set forth in paragraph 2 above, shall submit the recommendation for the appointment of the District Measurer to the Executive Secretary of the World Council or the Regional Council.
5. The Executive Secretary shall forthwith communicate the recommendation to the Chief Measurer and shall confirm the appointment, following certification, if the same is approved.
6. District Measurers, with the approval of the District Chairman, may appoint assistant District Measurers from time to time, who meet the requirements of paragraph 2, for the purpose of attending a sanctioned or other event designated as requiring the presence of the District Measurer. Such appointment shall be for one specific event.

## ILCA By-Law 5: Sanctioned Events and Honour Awards

### SANCTIONED EVENTS

1. The following events shall be deemed to be Sanctioned Events for the purposes of the Constitution, the Rules and the By-Laws of the Association:
  - (a) World Championship events;
  - (b) Regional Championship events approved by the World Council, including the North American, European, Central & South American, Oceania and the Asian Championship, whether or not a Region has been established;
  - (c) Multi District events (other than district, regional or World Championship) including North American Midwinters, Canadian, US, Nordic, Australian and Middle East Championships;
  - (d) District Championship events, including District Womens' Championship, District Junior Championship;
  - (e) Such other events as may be designated by the World Council or a Regional Executive Committee, as the case may be.
2. Any Sanctioned Event shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Racing By-Law.
3. Honour Awards and Trophies shall only be given if sufficient entries take part in each category in a regatta according to the following table:

5-9	Entries	1 award/cube
10-19	Entries	2 awards/cubes
20-29	Entries	3 awards/cubes
30-39	Entries	4 awards/cubes
40+	Entries	5 awards/cubes

### HONOUR AWARDS

#### Sail Awards

4. Every member shall be entitled to apply to his sail the symbol earned by him racing in a Sanctioned Event, in accordance with the following schedule:

#### World Championships

Winner	3 Chevrons
Series 2nd & 3rd place finishers	2 Chevrons
Each daily 1st place finisher	1 Chevron
Series 4th & 5th place finishers	1 Chevron

#### Regional Championships

(which may be known as "Bar Events")

Winner	3 Bars
Series 2nd & 3rd place finishers	2 Bars
Each daily 1st place finisher	1 Bar
Series 4th & 5th place finishers	1 Bar

#### Multi District Events

(which may be known as "Medallion Events")

Winner	3 Medallions
Series 2nd & 3rd place finishers	2 Medallions
Each daily 1st place finisher	1 Medallion
Series 4th & 5th place finishers	1 Medallion

#### District Sanctioned Events

(which may be known as "Diamond Events")

Winner	3 Diamonds
Series 2nd & 3rd place finishers	2 Diamonds
Each daily 1st place finisher	1 Diamond
Series 4th & 5th place finishers	1 Diamond

5. A member may carry on his sail only one award, which shall be the highest award won at any time by such member; it being understood that the highest awards are Chevrons, Bars, Medallions and Diamonds in that order.
6.
  - (a) The symbols representing the sail awards shall be glued on or sewn to each side of the sail in the third panel from the top of the sail, with the first award being placed in the uppermost position as specified in Schedule A.
  - (b) The symbols shall be in red for events which are not restricted, green for events restricted to women, blue for events restricted to juniors, and light blue for events restricted to Masters (35 years and over). A Masters event may be split into 5 categories: 75 and Over (aged 75+), Great Grand Masters (aged 65-74), Grand Masters (aged 55-64), Masters (aged 45-54) and Apprentices (aged 35-44) in which case honour awards and cubes may be awarded for each category. The minimum number of entries in each age category (except Apprentices) at a Masters championship shall be 5. If there are fewer than the minimum number then those Masters shall be scored and eligible to win awards in the next lower age category. Determination of category for Masters shall be the age attained on the day before the first scheduled race of a regatta.

7. Sail awards shall be retroactive to all North American, European and District Championships organised at any time and publicised and known as such; and any dispute as to whether any event heretofore qualifies as a Regional or District event herein shall be settled by the World Council on application for interpretation made to the Executive Secretary.

### Trophies

8. Every member shall be entitled to receive a Laser cube, in accordance with the following schedule:

### World Championship

Winner

Cube inscribed with 3 Chevrons

Series 2nd & 3rd place finishers

Cube inscribed with 2 Chevrons

Each daily 1st place finisher

Cube inscribed with 1 Chevron

Series 4th & 5th place finishers

Cube inscribed with 1 Chevron

### Regional Events ("Bar Event")

Winner

Cube inscribed with 3 Bars

Series 2nd & 3rd place finishers

Cube inscribed with 2 Bars

Series 4th & 5th place finishers

Cube inscribed with 1 Bar

### Multi District Events ("Medallion Events")

Winner

Cube inscribed with 3 Medallions

Series 2nd & 3rd place finishers

Cube inscribed with 2 Medallions

Series 4th & 5th place finishers

Cube inscribed with 1 Medallion

### District Events ("Diamond Events")

Winner

Cube inscribed with 3 Diamonds

Series 2nd & 3rd place finishers

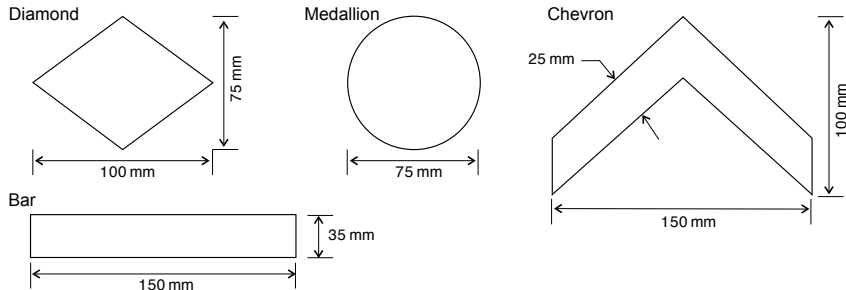
Cube inscribed with 2 Diamonds

Series 4th & 5th place finishers

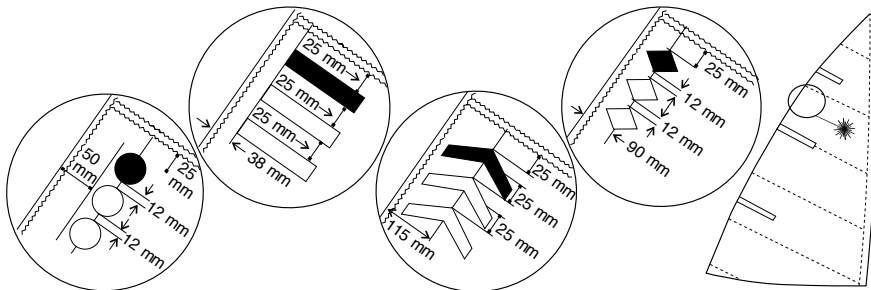
Cube inscribed with 1 Diamond

9. Any member who has earned a Laser cube in any event to which paragraph 3 applies shall be entitled, if available, to order such cube upon application to the Executive Secretary with particulars of the event, time and location; provided that such application shall be certified by the District Sailing Secretary or the Race Committee Chairman of such event. The insurance of the retroactive trophies shall be at the expense of the person applying therefore; the cost of the cube shall be determined from time to time by the World Council.
10. In the event of the disposition of a sail, the person holding a sail award shall cause the same to be removed from the sail prior to such disposition.
11. The cubes referred to in paragraphs 7 and 8 may be changed in style and design from time to time by the World Council.

### Size and Shape of Award Symbols



### Schedule A: Position of Award Symbols



## ILCA By-Law 6: Status and Dissolution

1. The Association is a non-profit organisation. All profit and surpluses shall be used to maintain or improve the Association's facilities and the objects of the Constitution.
2. No profit or surplus shall be distributed other than to another non-profit making body promoting international sailing on winding up or dissolution of the Association.
3. Dissolution shall be approved by each of:
  - (a) The World Council
  - (b) The Advisory Council
- (c) At least two thirds of the membership replying in writing to the International Office of the class in response to a postal ballot published by the International Office. Only those postal votes returned to the International Office within 6 months of the date of publication of the proposal to dissolve the Association shall be valid.

## ILCA By-Law 7: Postal Ballots

1. For the purposes of Constitution article 17 (c) and By-Law 1 (Rules) paragraph 31 (c) Postal Ballots may be published by any of:
  - (a) a printed document
  - (b) e-mail
  - (c) e-mail or a printed document and notice on the Association's website

2. Responses to a Postal Ballot shall be by returning the Postal Ballot Voting Form by letter, fax, e-mail or completing a designated web based Postal Ballot Voting Form.
3. When so designated by the World Council a Postal Ballot on a subject that relates only to members owning a specific rig shall be voted upon only by members owning the specified rig.

## ILCA By-Law 8: Regional Championships

### Organisation and Conduct of Regional (Continental) Championships

1. At least 18 months in advance of a Regional (Continental) Championship and before the dates, venue and notice of race of such a championship are published the venue and dates shall be submitted to the World Council for approval. Before giving such approval the World Council shall consider the requirements of this By-Law and any other aspect affecting the quality and fairness of the competition.
2. The sailing instructions shall be submitted to ILCA for approval 4 months before the date of the first race and shall follow the ILCA standard championship instructions.
3. A Laser District or International Measurer approved for the event by the ILCA Chief Measurer shall inspect boats at the championship prior to the start of racing using a check list and procedure prepared by the ILCA Chief Measurer.

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## Technical Tips

One of the great things about the Laser is it is instant sailing. It takes only a few minutes to rig a Laser and then you are out on the water. Here are some ideas to help make rigging and sailing a Laser even more simple.

### How to change the hiking strap

The hiking strap connection to the front end of the cockpit is one of the most critical screwed joints in the boat. After all there is nothing worse than jumping out onto the new tack, in the heat of a race, and ending up head first in the drink!

So when changing a hiking strap here are some tips on how to avoid potential failures through stripped threads, broken screws or leaks:-

1. Do not use a power drill or power screwdriver – it is too easy to strip threads or misalign the screws.
2. Use a normal hand screwdriver.
3. When undoing the screws walk them out a turn or two at a time, first one, then the other.
4. When replacing the screws seal the threads with a silicone or polyurethane sealer and walk them in, a turn at a time, first one then the other.
5. When finally seating the screws be careful not to over torque. It is important to firmly torque with a hand screwdriver but that is sufficient.



When chartering a boat at a regatta please refer to the charter boat operator's policy on changing hiking straps.

## Mast retention line (class rule 3(b) xi.)

The mast retention line is one of the most important lines on the boat. It must allow 180 degree rotation of the mast and at the same time keep the mast in the deck tube in the event of a capsize. It is important that the mast cannot move in and out of the tube by more than 50mm. A mast retention line with too much movement may result in the mast sliding most of the way out of the tube and then breaking through the side of the tube and the deck when the boat is righted after a capsize.

You will need 640mm of 5mm diameter line and a 15mm plastic stop ball. Core spectra line works well as it is low friction.

1. Tie a stop knot in one end of the line and thread the stop ball on to the line.
2. Pass the loop through the 2 eyes on the deck block plate (fig 1).
3. Tie a bowline in the other end of the line so that the overall length of the line from the end of the loop to ball is 570mm. The loop of the bowline should be just big enough to allow the stop ball to pass through the loop.
4. Take the loop end round the front of the mast and then behind the mast over the top of the mast boom vang attachment point and back to the front of the mast.
5. Take the ball end of the rope to the front of the mast and pass through the loop to secure (fig 2).

The retention line can be left on the boat through the deck block fitting so it does not get lost.



fig 1



fig 2

Reprinted from an article featured in LaserWorld January 2008.

## Is Your Rudder Angle Correct?

At championships, measurers are often asked what angle the rudder should be set at, how this is measured and, if it is wrong, how it can be fixed. This article is intended to answer these questions.

Using a measuring gauge (fig 3), the angle is measured between the bottom edge of the rudder box and the front edge of the rudder blade.

So, if the front edge of the rudder exceeds 78 degrees, it is more vertical than it should be.

The sanctioned method (Rule 15(e) of the Laser Class Rules) to correct this is to wind plastic tape around the front lower rudder box spacer pin (fig 4).

Note: you are **not** allowed to add material to the front of the rudder to achieve the same effect.

If the rudder angle is significantly less than 78 degrees, you may cut away the rudder where it touches the spacing pin (see Rule 15(d)).

Be careful though, as just 1mm of cut away will result in about 1 degree of rudder movement.

You are always safer to make it slightly less than 78 degrees to allow for wear on the pivot bolt hole and the contact area to the spacing pin (fig 5).

With the recent availability of new fibreglass skinned rudders, both Performance Sailcraft Australia and Laser Performance inform us that the incidence of rudders being significantly below 78 degrees (in conjunction with a modern rudder head) is extremely low.

If required, the gel coat can be wet sanded to fine tune the angle.

However, sanding into the laminate will weaken the blade and is not advised.

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fig 3



fig 4



fig 5

# Instructions for Applying Sail Numbers

**PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING DIAGRAMS ARE FOR INFORMATION AND ARE NOT PART OF THE CLASS RULES**

## Style and Colour

Only self-adhesive, stick on sail numbers and letters may be used. Each one shall be a single, solid colour, and easy to read. The last four numbers on both sides of the sail shall be the same dark colour, preferably black. The numbers in front of the last four shall all be another, obviously different colour, preferably red. National letters are only required at international events, and shall all be the same colour.

## Preparation

If the sail is not new, it should be sponged clean with mild soapy water, rinsed and dried. Find a large, clean, flat, hard surface to work on, such as a table or clean wooden floor.

## Template

Make a template that each number will just fit inside. See the **Positioning Diagrams** for the minimum sizes of numbers and letters, and template details. They are different for each of the Standard, Radial and 4.7 sails. The template is a rectangle for upright numbers, and a parallelogram for angled numbers.

## Base Lines and Limit Lines

Use a pencil to lightly draw **Base Lines** and **Limit Lines** on the sail. The bottom of each number and letter must lie on a **Base Line**. The **Limit Line** is parallel to the leech of the sail, and 100mm from it. The closest letter or number to the leech is positioned to just touch the **Limit Line**. This is shown as the **Start Point** on the Positioning Diagrams. The number or letter should touch the **Limit Line** at the **Base Line** or at any other height, depending on its shape.

## Starboard Side Numbers and National Letters

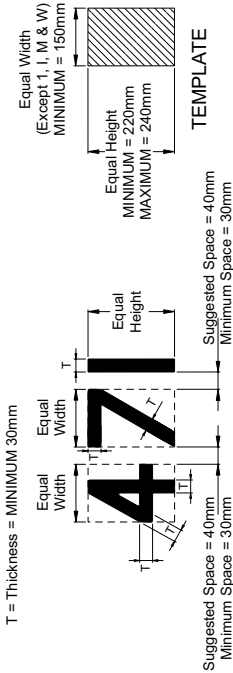
1. Spread the sail out flat on the working surface so that the starboard side of the sail is facing up. The leech (back edge of the sail) will be on the left hand side as shown in the positioning diagrams.
2. **Make sure you are using the correct diagram for the design of sail you are applying the numbers to.** Draw the **Base Line** and **Limit Line** for the starboard numbers (and letters) as shown on the positioning diagram.
3. Before peeling off the backing, place the bottom of the first number on the **Base Line**, with the Start Point touching the **Limit Line**. Use the template with its bottom edge on the **Base Line** to make sure the number is at the correct angle. Pencil around the outline of the number.
4. Peel and fold back about 10mm of the backing from the bottom of the number. Place the number within the pencil outline and press down to stick the peeled back area. Lift the remainder of the number and slowly peel off the backing as you smooth the number onto the sail, taking care to remove air bubbles and creases as you go.
5. If the first number you applied was a 1 (one), measure from the bottom right corner of it and mark a point the space width away along the **Base Line**. The space width is 60mm for Standard and Radial rig sails, and 40mm for 4.7 sails - see the appropriate Positioning Diagram. Place your template on the **Base Line** with its lower left corner on the new mark and pencil round the outline of it. Before peeling off the backing of the second number, place it within the pencil outline of the template. Pencil around the outline of the number, and apply it as in point 4, above.
6. If the first number you applied was not a 1 (one), place your template over it and make a pencil mark at the bottom right hand corner. Measure the space width from this mark along the Base Line and make a second pencil mark. Place the template, with its lower left hand corner on the second mark, pencil around the outline and then apply the next number as in point 4, above.
7. When a 1 (one) is to be applied after another number, make sure the appropriate space width between numbers along the **Base Line** is maintained, as shown in the positioning diagram. Use the bottom right hand corner of the template, placed over the preceding number to find the start of the space width on the **Base Line**.
8. Continue marking number positions using the template, the appropriate space widths between template corners, and applying numbers to complete the full sail number. Use the same method to apply national letters if they are required.

## Port Side Numbers and National Letters

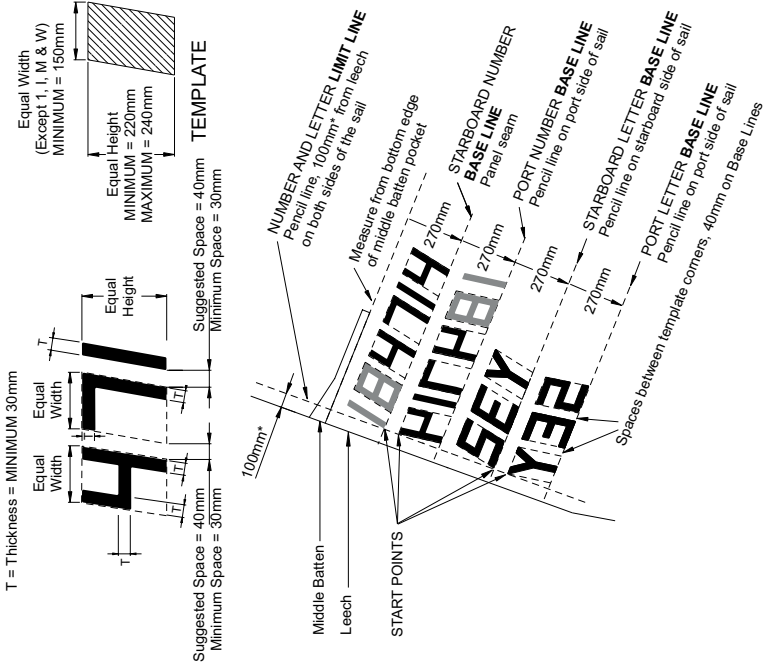
1. Spread the sail out flat on the working surface so that the port side of the sail is facing up. The leech (back edge of the sail) will be on the right hand side. Draw the **Base Line** for the port numbers (and letters).
2. Start with the letter or number closest to the leech making sure that no part of the number or letter crosses the 100mm **Limit Line** towards the leech. Follow the same method as for the starboard side of the sail, working along the **Base Line** away from the leech towards the luff.

# LASER 4.7 SAIL NUMBER & LETTER SIZES AND POSITIONING

## UPRIGHT NUMBERS AND LETTERS



## ANGLED NUMBERS AND LETTERS



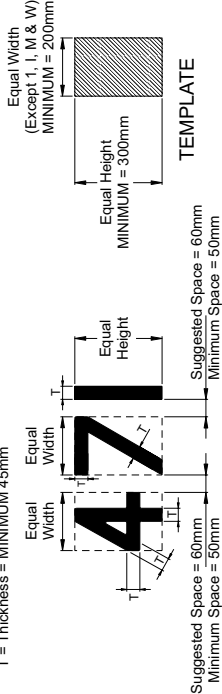
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  2. LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SAIL NUMBER TO BE ONE DARK, DISTINCTIVE COLOUR OR BLACK, PRECEDING DIGITS TO BE A DIFFERENT, CONTRASTING, DISTINCTIVE COLOUR, PREFERABLY RED. ALL NATIONAL LETTERS TO BE ONE COLOUR. THEY MAY BE ONE OF THE COLOURS OF THE SAIL NUMBER DIGITS OR ANOTHER DISTINCTIVE COLOUR.
- \* CLOSEST POINT OF LETTER OR NUMBER SHOULD BE 100mm FROM LEECH, WITH TOLERANCE +/- 12 mm.

PLEASE NOTE DIAGRAMS ARE NOT PART OF THE CLASS RULES

# RADIAL SAIL NUMBER & LETTER SIZES AND POSITIONING

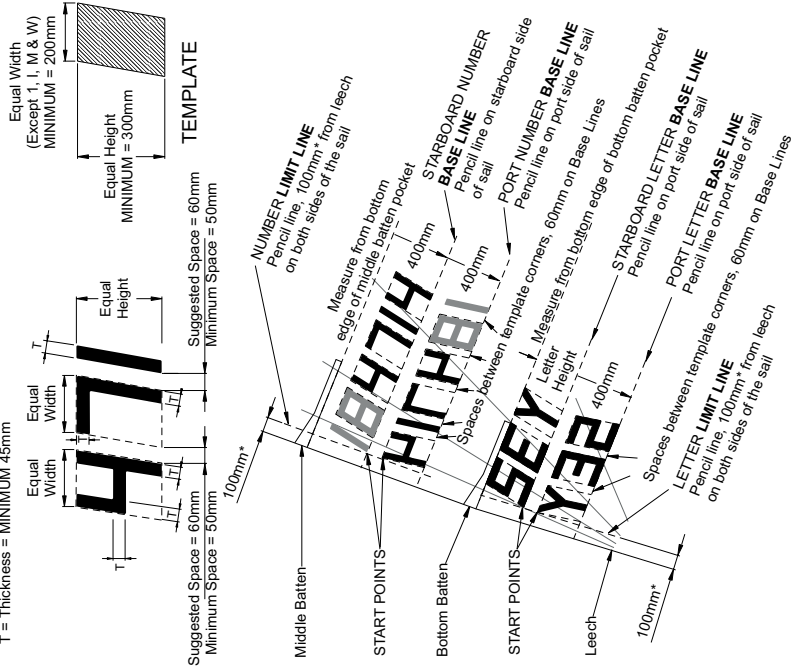
## UPRIGHT NUMBERS AND LETTERS

T = Thickness = MINIMUM 45mm



## ANGLED NUMBERS AND LETTERS

T = Thickness = MINIMUM 45mm



1. MINIMUM SPACE BETWEEN NUMBERS AND LETTERS IN THE CLASS RULES IS 50mm. SO USE 60mm TO ENSURE THAT ANY SMALL ERRORS IN POSITION ARE STILL LEGAL.
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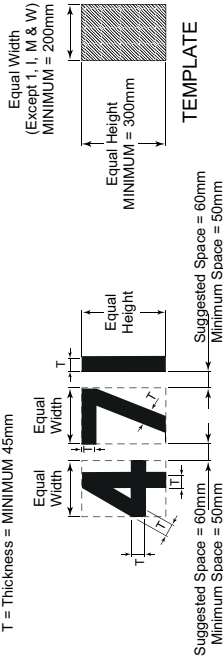
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# STANDARD MKII (BI-RADIAL CUT) SAIL NUMBER & LETTER SIZES AND POSITIONING

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## UPRIGHT NUMBERS AND LETTERS

T = Thickness = MINIMUM 45mm



## TEMPLATE

NUMBER LIMIT LINE  
Pencil line, 100mm\* from leech  
on both sides of the sail



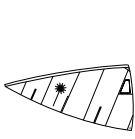
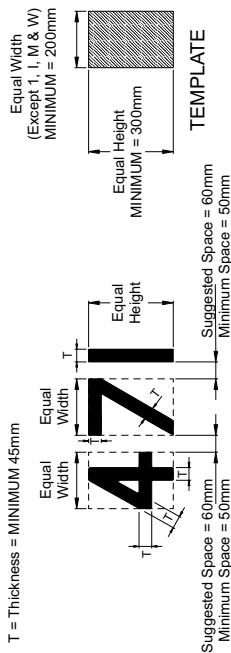
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# STANDARD MKI (CROSS-CUT) NUMBER & LETTER SIZES AND POSITIONING

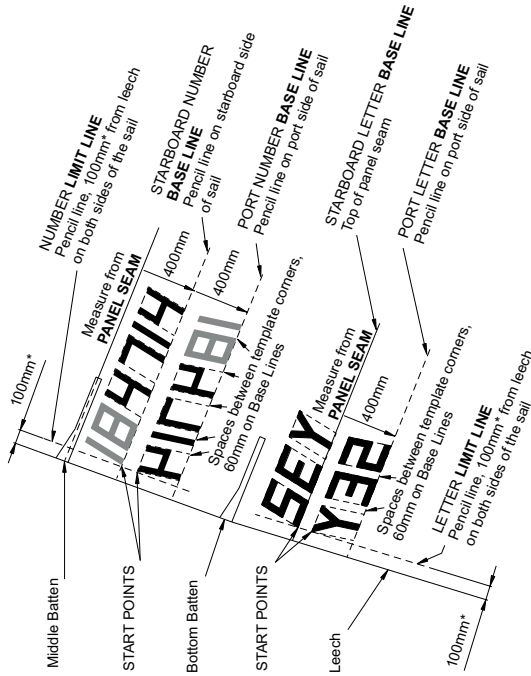
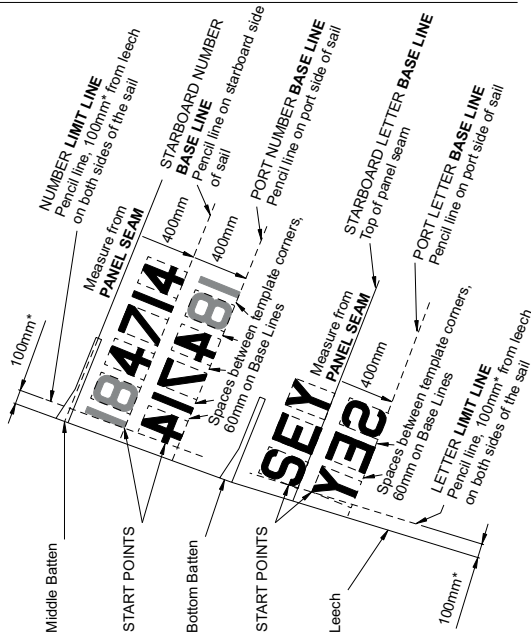
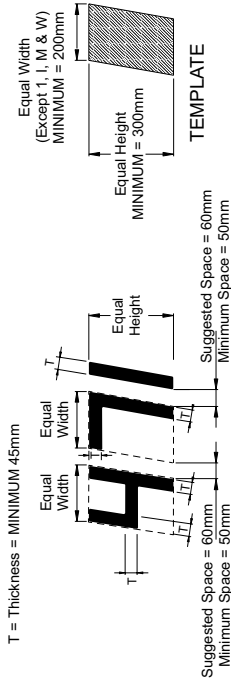
## UPRIGHT NUMBERS AND LETTERS

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## ANGLED NUMBERS AND LETTERS

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# World Championship Archives

Before 1997, ILCA did not hold separate Laser Radial or Youth Worlds. Except in 1980, entry to the Senior Worlds (Standard Rig) was restricted. Regional Championship archives are on the website: [www.laserinternational.org](http://www.laserinternational.org)

## OLYMPIC GAMES

### 2016 Rio, Brazil

#### Laser Standard

Countries 46

1st	Tom Burton	AUS
2nd	Tonci Stipanovic	CRO
3rd	Sam Meech	NZL
4th	Robert Scheidt	BRA
5th	Jean Baptiste Bernaz	FRA

#### Laser Radial

Countries 37

1st	Marit Bouwmeester	NED
2nd	Annalise Murphy	IRL
3rd	Ann-Marie Rindom	DEN
4th	Evi Van Acker	BEL
5th	Tuula Tenkanen	FIN

### 2012 London, UK

#### Laser Standard

Countries 49

1st	Tom Slingsby	AUS
2nd	Pavlos Kontides	CYP
3rd	Rasmus Mygren	SWE
4th	Tonci Stipanovic	CRO
5th	Andrew Murdoch	NZL

#### Laser Radial

Countries 41

1st	Lijia Xu	CHN
2nd	Marit Bouwmeester	NED
3rd	Evi Van Acker	BEL
4th	Annalise Murphy	IRL
5th	Alison Young	GBR

### 2008 Beijing, CHN

#### Laser Standard

Countries 43

1st	Paul Goodison	GBR
2nd	Vasilij Zbogor	SLO
3rd	Diego Romero	ITA
4th	Gustavo Lima	POR
5th	Andrew Murdoch	NZL

#### Laser Radial

Countries 28

1st	Anna Tunnicliffe	USA
2nd	Gintare Volungeviciute	LTU
3rd	Lijia Xu	CHN
4th	Sarah Blanck	AUS
5th	Sarah Steyaert	FRA

### 2004 Athens, GRE

#### Laser Standard

Countries 42

1st	Robert Scheidt	BRA
2nd	Andreas Geritzer	AUT
3rd	Vasilij Zbogor	SLO
4th	Paul Goodison	GBR
5th	Gustavo Lima	POR

### 2000 Sydney, AUS

#### Laser Standard

Countries 43

1st	Ben Ainslie	GBR
2nd	Robert Scheidt	BRA
3rd	Michael Blackburn	AUS
4th	Serge Kats	NED
5th	Andreas Geritzer	AUT

### 1996 Savannah, USA

#### Laser Standard

Countries 56

1st	Robert Scheidt	BRA
2nd	Ben Ainslie	GBR
3rd	Peer Moberg	NOR
4th	Michael Blackburn	AUS
5th	Stefan Warkalla	GER

## WORLD

### CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### 2018 Aarhus, DEN

##### Open: Laser Standard

Entries 165	Countries 66
1st Pavlos Kontides.....	CYP
2nd Matthew Wearn.....	AUS
3rd Philippp Buhl.....	GER
4th Sam Meech.....	NZL
5th Elliot Hanson.....	GBR

##### Women: Laser Radial

Entries 119		Countries 53
1st	Emma Plasschaert . . .	BEL
2nd	Marit Bouwmeester . . .	NED
3rd	Anne-Marie Rindom . . .	DEN
4th	Monika Mikkola . . . . .	FIN
5th	Paige Railey . . . . .	USA

#### 2018 Kiel, GER

##### Men: Laser Radial

Entries 94	Countries 26
1st Zac Littlewood . . . . .	AUS
2nd Aleksander Arian . . . . .	POL
3rd Caelin Winchcombe . . . . .	AUS
4th Uffe Tomsgaard . . . . .	NOR
5th Marcin Rudawski . . . . .	POL

##### Youth Men: Laser Radial

Entries 373	Countries 45
1st Guido Gallinaro . . . . .	ITA
2nd Josh Armit . . . . .	NZL
3rd Francesco Viel . . . . .	ITA
4th Uffe Tomsgaard . . . . .	NOR
5th Rodolfo Silvestrini . . . . .	ITA

##### Youth Women: Laser Radial

Entries 101	Countries 29	
1st	Matilda Talluri . . . . .	ITA
2nd	Matilda Nicholls . . . . .	GBR
3rd	Ana Moncada Sánchez	ESP
4th	Julia Büßelberg . . . . .	GER
5th	Lillian Myers . . . . .	USA

#### 2018 Gdynia, POL

##### U21: Laser Standard

Entries 140		Countries 41
1st	Philipp Loewe	GER
2nd	Max Wilken	GER
3rd	Liam Glynn	IRL
4th	Jonatan Vadnai	JUM
5th	Henry Marshall	USA

##### U21: Laser Radial Women

Entries 73	Countries 30
1st Anna Munch . . . . .	DEN
2nd Carolina Albano . . . . .	ITA
3rd Elyse Ainsworth . . . . .	AUS
4th Dolores Moreira . . . . .	URU
5th Zoe Thompson . . . . .	AUS

##### U18 Men: Laser 4.7

Entries 280	Countries 42
1st Daniel Hung . . . . .	SGP
2nd Michael Compton . . . .	AUS
3rd Stefano Viale . . . . .	PER
4th Wonn Kye Lee . . . . .	SGP

##### U18 Women: Laser 4.7

U18 Women: Laser 4.7	
Entries 158	Countries 35
1st Chiara Benini Floriani	ITA
2nd Simone Chen	SGP
3rd Giorgia Cingolani	ITA
4th Eline Verstraelen	BEL
5th Marissa Iben	NED

#### 2017 Split, CRO

##### Open: Laser Standard

Entries 148	Countries 52
1st Pavlos Kontides.....	CYP
2nd Tom Burton.....	AUS
3rd Matthew Wearn.....	AUS
4th Philipp Buhl.....	GER
5th Jesper Stalheim.....	SWE

##### 2017 Medemblik, NED

##### Women: Laser Radial

Entries 99	Countries 40
1st Marit Bouwmeester . . .	NED
2nd Evi Van Acker . . . . .	BEL
3rd Manami Doi . . . . .	JPN
4th Mathilde De Kerangat .	FRA
5th Brenda Bowskill . . . .	CAN

##### Men: Laser Radial

Entries 65		Countries 28
1st	Marcin Rudawski	POL
2nd	Eliot Merceron	SUI
3rd	Zac Littlewood	AUS
4th	Maxime Mazard	FRA
5th	Daniil Krutskikh	RUS

##### Youth Men: Laser Radial

Entries 281	Countries 44
1st Dimitris Papadimitriou .	GRE
2nd Matias Dietrich . . . . .	ARG
3rd Nicholas Bezy . . . . .	HKG
4th Josh Armit . . . . .	NZL
5th Alexandre Boite . . . . .	FRA

##### Youth Women: Laser Radial

Entries 110	Countries 32
1st Hannah Anderssohn . . . . .	GER
2nd Dolores Moreira Frasinchi	URU
3rd Charlotte Rose . . . . .	USA
4th Emma Savelon . . . . .	NED
5th Laura Schewe . . . . .	GER

#### 2017 Newport, BEL

##### U21: Laser Standard

Entries 125		Countries 41
1st	Joel Rodriguez Perez	ESP
2nd	Jonatan Vadnai	HUN
3rd	Daniel Whiteley	GBR
4th	Jack Cookson	GBR
5th	Sam Whalley	GBR

##### U21: Laser Radial Women

Entries 66	Countries 27	
1st	Mária Érdi	HUN
2nd	Hannah Anderssohn	GER
3rd	Magdalena Kwasna	POL
4th	Louise Cervera	FRA
5th	Dolores Moreira Frasinchi	URU

##### U18 Men: Laser 4.7

<b>U18 Men: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 235	Countries 43	
1st	Yilkan Timursah.....	TUR
2nd	Sofiane Karim .....	FRA
3rd	Cesare Barabino .....	ITA
4th	Pere Ponseti Mesquida	ESP

##### U18 Women: Laser 4.7

<b>U18 Women: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 115	Countries 30	
1st	Federica Cattarozzi . . .	ITA
2nd	Giorgia Cingolani . . . .	ITA
3rd	Ana Moncada Sanchez	ESP
4th	Julia Buesselberg	GER

#### 2016 Nuevo Vallarta, MEX

##### Open: Laser Standard

Open: Laser Standard	
Entries 113	Countries 44
1st	Nick Thompson . . . . . GBR
2nd	Jean-Baptiste Bernaz . FRA
3rd	Rutger Van Schaardenburg NED
4th	Matthew Wearn . . . . . AUS
5th	Marco Gallo . . . . . ITA

##### Women: Laser Radial

Women: Laser Radial

Entries 72	Countries 32
1st Alison Young . . . . .	GBR
2nd Paige Railey . . . . .	USA
3rd Ann-Marie Rindom . . .	DEN
4th Marit Bouwmeester . . .	NED
5th Gintare Volungeviciute	

##### 2016 Dun Laoghaire, IRL

##### Men: Laser Radial

2016 Dun Laoghaire, IRL		
Men: Laser Radial		
Entries 42	Countries 18	
1st	Marcin Rudawski . . . . .	POL
2nd	Nik Pletikos . . . . .	SLO
3rd	Martin Manzoli Lowy . .	BRA
4th	Darragh O'Sullivan . . .	IRL

##### Youth Men: Laser Radial

5th	Jack Marshall	.....	USA
<b>Youth Men: Laser Radial</b>			
Entries 231		Countries 42	
1st	Henry Marshall	.....	USA
2nd	Ewan McMahon	.....	IRL
3rd	Bernie Chin	.....	SIN
4th	Daniel Whiteley	.....	GBR

##### Youth Women: Laser Radial

5th	Philippa Alexander	AUS
<b>Youth Women: Laser Radia</b>		
Entries 76		Countries 25
1st	Zoe Thomson	AUS
2nd	Caroline Rosmo	NOR
3rd	Louise Cervera	FRA
4th	Sophia Reineke	USA

5th	Carolina Albano	ITA
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#### 2016 Kiel, GER

##### U21: Laser Standard

Entries 147		Countries 38
1st	Jonatan Vadnai . . . . .	HUN
2nd	Joel Rodriguez . . . . .	ESP
3rd	Nik Aaron Willim . . . . .	GER
4th	Santiago Sampaio . . . . .	POR
5th	Nicola Villa . . . . .	ITA

##### U21: Laser Radial Women

Entries 59		Countries 39
1st	Monika Mikkola . . . . .	FIN
2nd	Vasileia Karachaliou . .	GRE
3rd	Maité Carlier . . . . .	BEL
4th	Valentina Balbi . . . . .	ITA
5th	Maud Jayet . . . . .	SUI

##### U18 Men: Laser 4.7

Entries 262	Countries 38	
1st	Dimitrios Papadimitriou	GRE
2nd	Guido Gallinaro	ITA
3rd	Pere Ponseti	ESP
4th	Uffe Tomsgaard	NOR
5th	Andrey De Oliveira Godoy	BRA

##### U18 Women: Laser 4.7

Entries 127	Countries 32
1st Emma Savelon . . . . .	NED
2nd Mariia Kislukhina . . . . .	RUS
3rd Elisa Navoni . . . . .	ITA
4th Federica Cattarozzi . .	ITA
5th Juli Baruch . . . . .	ISR

#### 2015 Kingston, CAN

##### Open: Laser Standard

Open Laser Standard	
Entries 158	Countries 62
1st Nick Thompson . . . . .	GBR
2nd Philipp Buhl . . . . .	GER
3rd Tom Burton . . . . .	AUS
4th Juan Ignacio Maegli . .	GUA
5th Matthew Wearn . . . . .	AUS

##### Youth Men: Laser Radial

Entries 142		Countries 34
1st	Conor Nicholas	AUS
2nd	Gianmarco Planchestainer	ITA
3rd	Nic Baird	USA
4th	Paolo Giargia	ITA
5th	Umberto Jose Varbaro	ITA

##### Youth Women: Laser Radial

Youth Women's Laser Radia	
Entries 53	Countries 20
1st Maria Erdi . . . . .	HUN
2nd Dolores Moreira . . . . .	URU
3rd Magdalena Kwasna . . . . .	POL
4th Francesca Bergamo . . . . .	ITA
5th Carolina Albano . . . . .	ITA

#### 2015 Al Mussanah City,OMA

##### Women: Laser Radial

Entries 100	Countries 49
1st Ann-Marie Rindom . . .	DEN
2nd Marit Bouwmeester . . .	NED
3rd Evi Van Acker . . . . .	BEL
4th Tuula Tenkanen . . . . .	FIN
5th Josefin Olsson . . . . .	SWE

#### 2015 Aarhus, DEN

##### Men: Laser Radial

Men: Laser Radial	
Entries 75	Countries 21
1st	Marcin Rudawski . . . . . POL
2nd	Matthias Van De Look BEL
3rd	Zan Luka Zelko . . . . . SLO
4th	Patrick Döpping . . . . . DEN
5th	Mon Carrellas Salas ESP

##### 2015 Medemblik, NED

##### U21: Laser Standard

## U21: Laser Standard

Entries 155	Countries 42
1st Joel Rodriguez	ESP
2nd Michael Beckett	GBR
3rd Benjamin Vadnai	HUN
4th Finn Lynch	IRL

##### U21: Laser Radial Women

<b>U21: Laser Radial Women</b>		
<b>Entries 74</b>		<b>Countries 33</b>
1st	Maxime Jonker	NED
2nd	Line Flem Høst	NOR
3rd	Monika Mikkola	FIN
4th	Dewi Couvert	NED

##### U18 Men: Laser 4.7

**U18 Men: Laser 4.7**  
**Entries 257      Countries 36**  
**1st A. Bethencourt Fuentes ESP**  
**2nd Rafael De La Hoz Tuells ESP**

3rd Guido Gallinaro ..... ITA  
 4th Toygar Elmas ..... TUR  
 5th Alberto Tezza ..... ITA  
**U18 Women: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 127 Countries 29  
 1st Kateryna Gumenko ..... UKR  
 2nd Julia Büßelberg ..... GER  
 3rd Isaura Maenhaut ..... BEL  
 4th Lin Pletikos ..... SLO  
 5th Federica Cattarozzi ..... ITA

**2014 Santander, ESP**  
**Open: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 147 Countries 69  
 1st Nicholas Heiner ..... NED  
 2nd Tom Burton ..... AUS  
 3rd Nick Thompson ..... GBR  
 4th Philipp Buhl ..... GER  
 5th Robert Scheidt ..... BRA

**2014 Santander, ESP**  
**Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 120 Countries 55  
 1st Marit Bouwmeester ..... NED  
 2nd Josefin Olsson ..... SWE  
 3rd Evi Van Acker ..... BEL  
 4th Tuula Tenkanen ..... FIN  
 5th Veronika K. Fenclova ..... CZE

**2014 Dziwnow, POL**  
**Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 76 Countries 22  
 1st Stelmazsyzk Jonasz ..... POL  
 2nd Marcin Rudawski ..... POL  
 3rd William De smet ..... BEL  
 4th Tristan Brown ..... AUS  
 5th Martis Pjarskas ..... LTU

**Youth Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 159 Countries 31  
 1st Joel Rodriguez ..... ESP  
 2nd Nik Willim ..... GER  
 3rd Benjamin Wempe ..... NED  
 4th Nicol Villa ..... ITA  
 5th Jonatan Vadni ..... HUN

**Youth Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 81 Countries 27  
 1st Monika Mikolka ..... FIN  
 2nd Maria Erdi ..... HUN  
 3rd Maite Carlier ..... BEL  
 4th Magdalena Kwasna ..... POL  
 5th Maud Jayet ..... SUI

**2014 Douanenez, FRA**  
**U21: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 105 Countries 33  
 1st Lorenzo Chiavarini ..... GBR  
 2nd Hermann Tomagaard ..... NOR  
 3rd Stefano Pescihera ..... PER  
 4th Finn Lynch ..... IRL  
 5th Joao Souto de Oliveira ..... BRA

**U21: Laser Radial Women**  
 Entries 57 Countries 23  
 1st Agata Barwinska ..... POL  
 2nd Daphne Van der Vaart ..... NED  
 3rd Martina Reino Cacho ..... ESP  
 4th Martha Faraguna ..... ITA  
 5th Joyce Florida ..... ITA

**2014 Karatsu, JPN**  
**U18 Men: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 66 Countries 21  
 1st Alexandre Boite ..... FRA  
 2nd Ismael Iess ..... ESP  
 3rd Paolo Mavricc ..... CRO  
 4th Frederico Fornasari ..... ITA  
 5th Kaito Iwaki ..... JPN

**U18 Women: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 37 Countries 15  
 1st Asya Luisvetto ..... SUI  
 2nd Irene Miras Leung ..... ESP  
 3rd Francesca Bergamo ..... ITA  
 4th Iliaria Rochelli ..... ITA  
 5th Maria Kislukhina ..... RUS

**2013 Al Musannah, OMA**  
**Open: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 112 Countries 38  
 1st Robert Scheidt ..... BRA  
 2nd Pavlos Kontides ..... CYP  
 3rd Philipp Buhl ..... GER  
 4th Rutger Schaardenburg ..... NED  
 5th Jesper Stalheim ..... SWE

**2013 Rizhao City, CHN**  
**Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 76 Countries 31  
 1st Tina Mihelic ..... CRO  
 2nd Tuula Tenkanen ..... FIN  
 3rd Paige Railey ..... USA  
 4th Dongshuang Zhang ..... CHN

5th Sarah Gunn ..... DEN  
**2013 Dun Laoghaire, IRL**  
**Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 95 Countries 25  
 1st Tristan Brown ..... AUS  
 2nd Marcin Rudawski ..... POL  
 3rd Finn Lynch ..... IRL  
 4th Juan Cabrera Gonzales ESP  
 5th Sebastian Schneider ..... ESP

**2013 Al Musannah, OMA**  
**Youth Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 51 Countries 22  
 1st Benjamin Vadni ..... HUN  
 2nd Gianmarco Planchestainer ITA  
 3rd Sebastian Schneider ..... SUI  
 4th Ryan Lo ..... SIN  
 5th Jonatan Vadni ..... HUN

**Youth Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 28 Countries 17  
 1st Monika Mikolka ..... FIN  
 2nd Celine Therese Herud ..... NOR  
 3rd Line Fleem Host ..... NOR  
 4th Jillian Lee ..... SIN  
 5th Agata Barwinska ..... POL

**2013 Balatonfured, HUN**  
**U21: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 138 Countries 34  
 1st Mitchell Kennedy ..... AUS  
 2nd Hermann Tomagaard ..... NOR  
 3rd Francesco Marini ..... ITA  
 4th Lorenzo Chiavarini ..... GBR  
 5th Giovanni Coccoluto ..... ITA

**U21: Laser Radial Women**  
 Entries 96 Countries 32  
 1st Svenja Weger ..... GER  
 2nd Niki Blassar ..... FIN  
 3rd Claretta Tempesti ..... ITA  
 4th Manami Doi ..... JPN  
 5th Kim Pletikos ..... SLO

**U18 Men: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 239 Countries 46  
 1st Anil Cetin ..... TUR  
 2nd Jonatan Vadni ..... HUN  
 3rd Conor Nicholas ..... AUS  
 4th Gianmarco Planchestainer ITA  
 5th Sergio Silva ..... PER

**U18 Women: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 130 Countries 33  
 1st Silvia Morales GonzalezESP  
 2nd Magdalena Kwasna ..... POL  
 3rd Sofia Caparucini ..... ITA  
 4th Alba Elejabettia ..... ESP  
 5th Jose Maria Marichal ..... ESP

**2012 Boltenhagen, GER**  
**Open: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 169 Countries 62  
 1st Tom Slingsby ..... AUS  
 2nd Tonci Stipanovic ..... CRO  
 3rd Andrew Maloney ..... NZL  
 4th Jan Maegi ..... GUA  
 5th Tom Burton ..... AUS

**2012 Boltenhagen, GER**  
**Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 136 Countries 53  
 1st Gintare Scheidt ..... LTU  
 2nd Lijia Xu ..... CHN  
 3rd Sari Multala ..... FIN  
 4th Alison Young ..... GBR  
 5th Marit Bouwmeester ..... NED

**2012 Buenos Aires, ARG**  
**U21: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 29 Countries 19  
 1st Giovanni Coccoluto ..... ITA  
 2nd Stig Steinfurth ..... DEN  
 3rd Aleksander Arian ..... POL  
 4th Juan Ignacio Biava ..... ARG  
 5th Ignasi Lopez Carcare ..... ESP

**2012 Brisbane, AUS**  
**Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 54 Countries 9  
 1st Tristan Brown ..... AUS  
 2nd Matthew Wearn ..... AUS  
 3rd Jeremy O'Connell ..... AUS  
 4th Mania Pepper ..... NZL  
 5th Daniel Smith ..... AUS

**Youth Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 71 Countries 11  
 1st Hermann Tomagaard ..... NOR  
 2nd Andrew McKenzie ..... NZL  
 3rd Mitchell Kiss ..... USA  
 4th Maxim Nikolaev ..... RUS  
 5th Juan Carlos Perdomo ..... PUR

**Youth Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 35 Countries 19  
 1st Maxime Jonker ..... NED

2nd Madison Kennedy ..... AUS  
 3rd Georgina Povall ..... GBR  
 4th Milly Bennett ..... AUS  
 5th Anna Philip ..... AUS  
**2012 Buenos Aires, ARG**  
**U18 Men: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 71 Countries 25  
 1st Benjamin Vadni ..... HUN  
 2nd Nahuel Rodriguez PérezESP  
 3rd Maximilian Kuester ..... ITA  
 4th Jacopo Fanti ..... ITA  
 5th Raul Sanchez Lago ..... ESP

**U16 Men: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 20 Countries 12  
 1st Joel Rodriguez Pérez ..... ESP  
 2nd Malone Chao Jie Pun ..... SIN  
 3rd Luka Tolic ..... SRB  
 4th Liam Mccarthy ..... USA  
 5th Francisco Guearaga ..... ARG

**U18 Women: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 46 Countries 17  
 1st Celine Therese Herud ..... NOR  
 2nd Yolanda Luca GonzalezESP  
 3rd Anja Hamerlitz ..... CRO  
 4th Julia Silva ..... BRA  
 5th Martina Reino Cacho ..... ESP

**U16 Women: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 12 Countries 7  
 1st Maria C. K. Boabaid ..... BRA  
 2nd Natalia A. S. Barriga ..... ESP  
 3rd Jacinta Ainsworth ..... AUS  
 4th Daniela Cardozo ..... ARG  
 5th Kana Hayashi ..... JPN

**2011 Perth, AUS**  
**Open: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 145 Countries 66  
 1st Tom Slingsby ..... AUS  
 2nd Simon Groteluschgen ..... GER  
 3rd Nick Thompson ..... GBR  
 4th Andreas Geritzer ..... AUT  
 5th Paul Goodison ..... GBR

**Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 102 Countries 51  
 1st Marit Bouwmeester ..... NED  
 2nd Evi Van Acker ..... BEL  
 3rd Paige Railey ..... USA  
 4th Veronika Fenclova ..... CZE  
 5th Gintare Volungeviciute ..... LTU

**2011 La Rochelle, FRA**  
**U21: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 151 Countries 40  
 1st Sam Meech ..... NZL  
 2nd Alex Mills-Barton ..... GBR  
 3rd Martin Evans ..... GBR  
 4th Ki-Raphael Sulkowski ..... AUS  
 5th Francesco Marrai ..... ITA

**2011 La Rochelle, FRA**  
**Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 135 Countries 35  
 1st Marcin Rudawski ..... POL  
 2nd James Burman ..... AUS  
 3rd Yuri Hummel ..... NED  
 4th Tristan Brown ..... AUS  
 5th Juan Carlos Perdomo ..... PUR

**Youth Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 277 Countries 42  
 1st Giovanni Coccoluto ..... ITA  
 2nd Eliot Hanson ..... GBR  
 3rd Eliot Mercer ..... FRA  
 4th Mitchell Kiss ..... USA  
 5th Tommaso Centonze ..... ITA

**Youth Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 101 Countries 27  
 1st Erika Reineke ..... USA  
 2nd Oren Jacob ..... ISR  
 3rd Sandy Fauthoux ..... FRA  
 4th Paulina Czubachowska ..... POL  
 5th Manami Doi ..... JPN

**2011 San Francisco, USA**  
**U18 Men: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 112 Countries 28  
 1st Francisco Gonzalez S. ..... ESP  
 2nd Carlos Rosello ..... ESP  
 3rd William de Smet ..... BEL  
 4th Keiji Okaga ..... JPN  
 5th Mehmet Turkmen ..... TUR

**U16 Men: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 39 Countries 22  
 1st Nils Theunick ..... SUI  
 2nd Anthony Parke ..... GBR  
 3rd Martin Lowy ..... BRA  
 4th Nicholas Connor ..... AUS  
 5th Trent Rippey ..... NZL

**U18 Women: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 53 Countries 19  
 1st Cecilia Zorzi ..... ITA

2nd Kim Pletikos ..... SLO  
 3rd Line Fleem Host ..... NOR  
 4th Celine Therese Herud ..... NOR  
 5th Maud Jayet ..... SUI  
**U16 Women: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 12 Countries 8  
 1st Maud Jayet ..... SUI  
 2nd Athanasia Fakidi ..... GRE  
 3rd Vasileia Karachaliou ..... GRE  
 4th Savannah Siew K. Hui ..... SIN  
 5th Marine V.Campenhout ..... SUI

**2010 Hayling Island, GBR**  
**Open: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 160 Countries 53  
 1st Tom Slingsby ..... AUS  
 2nd Nick Thompson ..... GBR  
 3rd Andrew Mccarthy ..... NZL  
 4th Julio Alsogaray ..... ARG  
 5th Pavlos Kontides ..... CYP

**U21: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 137 Countries 37  
 1st Thorbjørn Schierup ..... DEN  
 2nd Francesco Marrai ..... ITA  
 3rd Alex Mills-Barton ..... GBR  
 4th Kacper Zieminski ..... POL  
 5th Filip Jurisic ..... CRO

**2010 Largs, GBR**  
**Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 117 Countries 41  
 1st Sari Multala ..... FIN  
 2nd Marit Bouwmeester ..... NED  
 3rd Paige Railey ..... USA  
 4th Sarah Steyaert ..... FRA  
 5th Tatiana Drozdovskaya ..... BLR

**Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 103 Countries 31  
 1st Marcin Rudawski ..... POL  
 2nd Wojciech Zemke ..... POL  
 3rd Mitchell Kiss ..... USA  
 4th Ben Koppelaar ..... NED  
 5th Insup Kim ..... KOR

**Youth Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 228 Countries 41  
 1st Giovanni Coccoluto ..... ITA  
 2nd Tadeusz Kubiak ..... POL  
 3rd Luca Antognoli ..... ITA  
 4th Stefano Mazzaferro ..... BRA  
 5th Mitchell Kiss ..... USA

**Youth Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 91 Countries 26  
 1st Erika Reineke ..... USA  
 2nd Manami Doi ..... JPN  
 3rd Michelle Broekhuizen ..... NED  
 4th Chiara Steimueller ..... GER  
 5th Arjonilla Julia Vallo ..... ESP

**2010 Pattaya, THA**  
**U18 Men: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 45 Countries 22  
 1st Etienne Le Pen ..... FRA  
 2nd Supakorn Pongwichan THA  
 3rd Jolbert Van Dijk ..... NED  
 4th Luca Malin ..... ITA  
 5th Juan Carlos Perdomo ..... PUR

**U18 Women: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 40 Countries 20  
 1st Caitlin Elks ..... AUS  
 2nd Nur Amrah Hamid ..... MAS  
 3rd Oren Jacob ..... ISR  
 4th Ashlie Lane ..... AUS  
 5th Ella Evans ..... AUS

**U16 Mixed: Laser 4.7**  
 Entries 31 Countries 14  
 1st Ryan Amlehn ..... NZL  
 2nd Mark Spearman ..... AUS  
 3rd Filipo Fiorentini ..... GRE  
 4th Panagiotis Stathis ..... GRE  
 5th Benjamin Whitehead ..... NZL

**2009 Halifax, CAN**  
**Open: Laser Standard**  
 Entries 168 Countries 51  
 1st Paul Goodison ..... GBR  
 2nd Michael Bullot ..... NZL  
 3rd Nick Thompson ..... GBR  
 4th Julio Alsogaray ..... ARG  
 5th Tonci Stipanovic ..... CRO

**2009 Karatsu, JPN**  
**Women: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 88 Countries 30  
 1st Sari Multala ..... FIN  
 2nd Sophie de Turckheim ..... FRA  
 3rd Anna Tunnicliffe ..... USA  
 4th Marit Bouwmeester ..... NED  
 5th Lijia Xu ..... CHN

**Men: Laser Radial**  
 Entries 61 Countries 16

1st	Marcin Rudawski	POL
2nd	Ben Koppelaar	NED
3rd	Insub Kim	KOR
4th	Hisaki Nagai	JPN
5th	Mohd Romsli Muhammad	MAS
<b>Youth Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 100 Countries 25		
1st	Keerati Bualong	THA
2nd	Aleksander Arian	POL
3rd	Flip Kobielski	POL
4th	Toma Visic	CRO
5th	Chris Barnard	USA

<b>Youth Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 39 Countries 16		
1st	Mathilde de Kerangat	FRA
2nd	Ashley Stoddart	AUS
3rd	Michelle Broekhuizen	NED
4th	Anna Agdrofti	GRE
5th	Joanna Mazymniuk	POL

<b>2009 Buzios, BRA</b>		
<b>Youth Men: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 109 Countries 24		
1st	Jonathan Martinetti	ECU
2nd	Hermann Tomsgaard	NOR
3rd	Juraj Divjakinja	CRO
4th	Guillermo Arce	PER
5th	Tono Alcazar	ESP

<b>Youth Women: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 39 Countries 23		
1st	Urska Kosir	SLO
2nd	Tomoyo Wakabayashi	JPN
3rd	Hitori Murayama	JPN
4th	Kim Pletikos	SLO
5th	Patricia Coro Leveque	ESP

<b>2008 Terrigal, AUS</b>		
<b>Open: Laser Standard</b>		
Entries 157 Countries 58		
1st	Tom Slingsby	AUS
2nd	Julio Alsogaray	ARG
3rd	Javier Hernandez	ESP
4th	Vasilij Zbogor	SLO
5th	Michael Bulot	NZL

<b>2008 Auckland, NZL</b>		
<b>Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 116 Countries 41		
1st	Sarah Steyaert	FRA
2nd	Lijia Xu	CHN
3rd	Andrea Brewster	GBR
4th	Gintare Volungeviciute	LTU
5th	Sarah Blanck	AUS

<b>Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 71 Countries 17		
1st	Michael Leigh	CAN
2nd	Brad Funk	USA
3rd	Simon Morgan	AUS
4th	James Sandall	NZL
5th	James Burman	AUS

<b>Youth Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 85 Countries 20		
1st	Andrew Maloney	NZL
2nd	Martin Evans	GBR
3rd	Maarten Max Moerman	NED
4th	Tom Burton	AUS
5th	Sam Meech	NZL

<b>Youth Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 38 Countries 14		
1st	Gabrielle King	AUS
2nd	Cushla Hummery	NZL
3rd	Sarah Gunn	DEN
4th	Mathilde de Kerangat	FRA
5th	Annalise Murphy	IRL

<b>2008 Trogir, CRO</b>		
<b>Youth Men: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 279 Countries 43		
1st	Shahar Jacob	ISR
2nd	Scott Sydney	SIN
3rd	Lovre Perhat	CRO
4th	Toma Visic	CRO
5th	Alexandros Chocholis	GRE

<b>Youth Women: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 116 Countries 32		
1st	Elizabeth Yin	SIN
2nd	Matea Senkic	CRO
3rd	Antea Koracic	CRO
4th	Coro Leveque Patricia	ESP
5th	Charlotte Asselt	NED

<b>2007 Cascais, POR</b>		
<b>Open: Laser Standard</b>		
Entries 149 Countries 60		
1st	Tom Slingsby	AUS
2nd	Andrew Murdoch	NZL
3rd	Deniss Karpak	EST
4th	Mate Arapov	CRO
5th	Paul Goodison	GBR

<b>Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 107 Countries 48		
1st	Tatiana Drozdovskaya	BLR
2nd	Sari Mutala	FIN
3rd	Petra Niemann	GER
4th	Katarzyna Szotynska	POL
5th	Anna Tunnicliffe	USA

<b>2007 The Hague, NED</b>		
<b>Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 121 Countries 26		
1st	Ben Paton	GBR
2nd	Eduardo Vianen	NED
3rd	Steven Krol	NED
4th	Jon Emmett	GBR
5th	James Burman	AUS

<b>Youth Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 204 Countries 29		
1st	Thorbjorn Schierup	DEN
2nd	Ioannis Mitakis	GRE
3rd	Gijs Peelt	NED
4th	Joaquin Blanco	ESP
5th	Barbaros Tuna	TUR

<b>Youth Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 68 Countries 26		
1st	Tuula Tenkanen	FIN
2nd	Susana Romero	ESP
3rd	Sarah Gunni	DEN
4th	Anne Haeger	USA
5th	Mathilde de Kerangat	FRA

<b>2007 Hermanus, RSA</b>		
<b>Youth Men: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 95 Countries 27		
1st	Filip Matika	CRO
2nd	Baepi Pinna	BRA
3rd	Alexander Zimmermann	PER
4th	Boris Bignoli	ITA
5th	Jakob Bozic	SLO

<b>Youth Women: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 25 Countries 14		
1st	Tajana Ganic	CRO
2nd	Ewa Makowska	POL
3rd	Lina Stock	CRO
4th	Tiffany Brien	IRL
5th	Matea Senkic	CRO

<b>2006 Jeju Island, KOR</b>		
<b>Open: Laser Standard</b>		
Entries 128 Countries 43		
1st	Michael Blackburn	AUS
2nd	Tom Slingsby	AUS
3rd	Rasmus Myrgen	SWE
4th	Michael Leigh	CAN
5th	Gustavo Lima	POR

<b>2006 Los Angeles, USA</b>		
<b>Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 71 Countries 22		
1st	Fabio Pillar	BRA
2nd	Steven Le Fevre	NED
3rd	Steven Krol	NED
4th	Jon Emmett	GBR
5th	Ryan Seaton	IRL

<b>Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 89 Countries 31		
1st	Lijia Xu	CHN
2nd	Petra Niemann	GER
3rd	Tania Elias Calles Wolf	MEX
4th	Anna Tunnicliffe	USA
5th	Evi Van Ecker	BEL

<b>Youth Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 140 Countries 21		
1st	Kyle Rogachenko	USA
2nd	Guilherme Barbosa Lima	BRA
3rd	Mathew Archibald	CAN
4th	Joaquin Blanco	ESP
5th	James Sandall	NZL

<b>Youth Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 39 Countries 12		
1st	Claire Dennis	USA
2nd	Susana Romero	ESP
3rd	Allie Blecher	USA
4th	Laura Maes	BEL
5th	Stephanie Roble	USA

<b>2006 Hourtin, FRA</b>		
<b>Youth Men: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 237 Countries 27		
1st	Colin Xinn Cheng	SIN
2nd	Victor Sereztkin	RUS
3rd	Marko Peresa	CRO
4th	Fran Perucic	CRO
5th	Giuseppe Linares	ITA

<b>Youth Women: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 88 Countries 19		
1st	Victoria Chan	SIN
2nd	Agnieszka Skrzypczek	POL
3rd	Julie Chehab	FRA
4th	Susana Romero	ESP
5th	Tuula Tenkanen	FIN

<b>2005 Fortaleza, BRA</b>		
<b>Open: Laser Standard</b>		
Entries 136 Countries 36		
1st	Robert Scheidt	BRA
2nd	Diego Emilio Romero	ARG
3rd	Andrew Murdoch	NZL
4th	Vasilij Zbogor	SLO
5th	Mate Arapov	CRO

<b>Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 90 Countries 24		
1st	Eduardo Magalhães	BRA
2nd	Brad Funk	USA
3rd	Blair Mclay	NZL
4th	Martin Jenkins	ARG
5th	Andreas Perdicaris	BRA

<b>Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 76 Countries 31		
1st	Paige Railey	USA
2nd	Sophie de Turckheim	FRA
3rd	Anna Tunnicliffe	USA
4th	Petra Niemann	GER
5th	Kristel Weir	AUS

<b>Youth Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 77 Countries 23		
1st	Blair McLeay	NZL
2nd	Frederico Melo	POR
3rd	Ivan Taritas	CRO
4th	Antonios Tzortzis	GRE
5th	James Burman	AUS

<b>Youth Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 26 Countries 13		
1st	Veronica Haid	AUT
2nd	Bruna Cordeiro	BRA
3rd	Viviane de Oliveira	BRA
4th	Luiza de Saboia	BRA
5th	Cecilia de Andrade	BRA

<b>2005 Barrington, USA</b>		
<b>Entries 92 Countries 16</b>		
<b>Youth Men: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 109 Countries 24		
1st	Joaquin Blanco	ESP
2nd	Adam Sims	GBR
3rd	Dany Stanisic	SLO
4th	Gunev Kaplan	TUR
5th	Marco Teixidor	PUR

<b>Youth Women: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 26 Countries 13		
1st	Stephanie Roble	USA
2nd	Anne Haeger	USA
3rd	Cecilia Aragao	BRA
4th	Matilde Fabbrri	ITA
5th	Nilsu Orgen	TUR

<b>2004 Bitez, TUR</b>		
<b>Open: Laser Standard</b>		
Entries 145 Countries 60		
1st	Robert Scheidt	BRA
2nd	Mark Mendelblatt	USA
3rd	Michael Blackburn	AUS
4th	Hamish Pepper	NZL
5th	Karl Suneson	SWE

<b>2004 Brisbane, AUS</b>		
<b>Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 133 Countries 11		
1st	Michael Blackburn	AUS
2nd	Aron Lolic	CRO
3rd	Tom Slingsby	AUS
4th	Blair Mclay	NZL
5th	Marc Orams	NZL

<b>Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 37 Countries 12		
1st	Kristel Weir	AUS
2nd	Christine Bridge	USA
3rd	Cecilia Carranza Saroli	ARG
4th	Nufar Edelman	ISR
5th	Gae Jutjens	NED

<b>Youth: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 108 Countries 18		
1st	Jean Baptiste Bernaz	FRA
2nd	Nathan Outteridge	GBR
3rd	Daniel Mihelcic	CRO
4th	Daniel Jakobsen	BRA
5th	Javier Padron	ESP

<b>2004 Riva del Garda, ITA</b>		
<b>Entries 276 Countries 23</b>		
<b>Youth Men: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 109 Countries 24		
1st	Justin Onyiah	RSA
2nd	Matthieu Frei	FRA
3rd	Ugo Kalebic	CRO
4th	Alexander Dolan	IRL
5th	Pierre Angelo Collura	FIN

<b>Youth Women: Laser 4.7</b>		
Entries 26 Countries 13		
1st	Anita Di lasio	ITA
2nd	Tina Mihelcic	CRO
3rd	Cansin Karga	TUR
4th	Vanessa le Bouteiller	FRA
5th	Clare Chapple	GBR

<b>2003 Cadiz, ESP</b>		
<b>Open: Laser Standard</b>		
Entries 174 Countries 61		
1st	Gustavo Lima	POR
2nd	Robert Scheidt	BRA
3rd	Michael Blackburn	AUS
4th	Luis Martinez	ESP
5th	Daniel Birgmark	SWE

<b>2003 Riva del Garda, ITA</b>		
<b>Men: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 231 Countries 31		
1st	Aron Lolic	CRO
2nd	Jake Bartram	NZL
3rd	Karlo Krpeljevic	CRO
4th	Max Bulley	FRA
5th	Marc Jux	CHI

<b>Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 50 Countries 16		
1st	Katarzyna Szotynski	POL
2nd	Kristel Weir	AUS
3rd	Jeannette Dagson	SWE
4th	Corinne Meyer	SUI
5th	Gae Jutjens	NED

<b>Youth: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 290 Countries 27		
1st	Tonci Stipanovic	CRO
2nd	Tonko Kuzmanic	CRO
3rd	Jonasz Stelmazyk	POL
4th	Campbell Davidson	GBR
5th	Javier Padron	ESP

4th	Campbell Davidson . . . . .	GBR
5th	Javier Padron . . . . .	ESP
<b>2003 Cesme, TUR</b>		
Entries 98		Countries 18
<b>Youth Men: Laser 4.7</b>		
1st	Onur Derebasi . . . . .	TUR
2nd	Ates Cinar . . . . .	TUR
3rd	Mustafa Cakir . . . . .	TUR

**2001 Vilanova, ESP****Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 230	Countries 35
1st Michael Bullot	NZL
2nd Andre Streppe	BRA
3rd Aron Lolic	CRO
4th Alp Alpagut	TUR
5th Karlo Krpeljevic	CRO

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 56	Countries 23
1st Katarzyna Szotynska	POL
2nd Larissa Nevierov	ITA
3rd Sara Lane Wright	BER
4th Tatiana Drozdovskaya	BLR
5th Jayne Singleton	GBR

**Youth: Laser Radial**

Entries 260	Countries 33
1st Michael Bullot	NZL
2nd Jason Georgiars	GRE
3rd Alexandre Monteau	FRA
4th Mathieu Murati	FRA
5th Guray Zumbul	TUR

**2000 Cancun, MEX****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 141	Countries 50
1st Robert Scheidt	BRA
2nd Michael Blackburn	AUS
3rd Ben Ainslie	GBR
4th Karl Suneson	SWE
5th Serge Kats	NED

**2000 Cesme, TUR****Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 124	Countries 25
1st Fredrik Lassenius	SWE
2nd Alexandros Logothetis	GRE
3rd Vangelis Chimonas	GRE
4th Petar Cupac	CRO
5th Kemal Muslubas	TUR

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 33	Countries 16
1st Katarzyna Szotynska	POL
2nd Nicola Muller	GBR
3rd Jayne Singleton	GBR
4th Jeanette Dagson	SWE
5th Denis Karacaglu	TUR

**Youth: Laser Radial**

Entries 137	Countries 31
1st Guray Zumbul	TUR
2nd Anders Nyholm	DEN
3rd Arne Nieuwenhuys	NED
4th Antonis Manolakis	GRE
5th Andrew Walsh	GBR

**1999 Melbourne, AUS****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 141	Countries 46
1st Ben Ainslie	GBR
2nd Robert Scheidt	BRA
3rd Karl Suneson	SWE
4th Michael Blackburn	AUS
5th Andrew Simpson	GBR

**1999 La Rochelle, FRA****Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 167	Countries 27
1st Adonis Bougiouris	GRE
2nd Gustavo Lima	POR
3rd Teddy Quesstroy	FRA
4th Luka Radelic	CRO
5th Vagelis Chimonas	GRE

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 42	Countries 20
1st Kelly Hand	CAN
2nd Jeanette Dagson	SWE
3rd Helene Viazzo	FRA
4th Clementine Destailleur	FRA
5th Alison Casey	AUS

**Youth: Laser Radial**

Entries 304	Countries 35
1st Francisco Sanchez F.	ESP
2nd Luka Radelic	CRO
3rd Jorge Lima	POR
4th Andrew Walsh	GBR
5th Anders Nyholm	DEN

**1998 Medemblik, NED****Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 209	Countries 25
1st Gustavo Lima	POR
2nd Adonis Bougiouris	GRE
3rd Alexandros Logothetis	GRE
4th Raimondos Siugzdinis	LTU
5th Luca Radelic	CRO

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 87	Countries 19
1st Larissa Nevierov	ITA
2nd Carolijn Brouwer	NED

3rd Jeanette Dagson	SWE
4th Marcelle de Koning	NED
5th Jo Dikkenberg	AUS

**Youth: Laser Radial**

Entries 228	Countries 33
1st Alastair Gair	NZL
2nd Evangelos Himonas	GRE
3rd Goncalo Lopes	POR
4th Leigh McMillan	GBR
5th David Hiver	GBR

**1997 Algarrobo, CHI****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 128	Countries 34
1st Robert Scheidt	BRA
2nd Nik Burfoot	NZL
3rd Ben Ainslie	GBR
4th Hamish Pepper	NZL
5th Hugh Styles	GBR

**1997 Mohamedia, MAR****Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 122	Countries 25
1st Raimondos Siugzdinis	LTU
2nd Romain Knipping	FRA
3rd Selim Kakis	TUR
4th Benoit Raphaelen	FRA
5th Goncalo Lopes	POR

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 40	Countries 17
1st Sarah Black	AUS
2nd Helen Waite	GBR
3rd Anja Sahlberg	SWE
4th Anje de Boer	NED
5th Larissa Nevierov	ITA

**Youth: Laser Radial**

Entries 122	Countries 31
1st Teddy Quesstroy	FRA
2nd Romain Knipping	FRA
3rd Alastair Gair	NZL
4th Justin Deal	GBR
5th Joao Santos Silva	POR

**1996 Cape Town, RSA****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 134	Countries 38
1st Robert Scheidt	BRA
2nd Karl Suneson	SWE
3rd Ben Ainslie	GBR
4th Stefan Warkalla	GER
5th Iain Percy	GBR

**Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 96	Countries 20
1st Brendan Casey	AUS
2nd Andrew Kiriljuk	RUS
3rd Allan Coutts	NZL
4th Tim Shuwalow	AUS
5th Dimitris Theodorakis	GRE

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 29	Countries 11
1st Jacqueline Ellis	AUS
2nd Larissa Nevierov	ITA
3rd Kathryn McQueen	AUS
4th Sarah Black	AUS
5th Alison Casey	AUS

**1995 Tenerife, ESP****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 137	Countries 39
1st Robert Scheidt	BRA
2nd Nik Burfoot	NZL
3rd Elvind Melleye	NOR
4th Hamish Pepper	NZL
5th Michael Blackburn	AUS

**Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 66	Countries 18
1st Brendan Casey	AUS
2nd Tim Shuwalow	AUS
3rd Gustavo Lima	POR
4th Sean Kirjijan	AUS
5th David Huet	FRA

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 18	Countries 8
1st Heidi Gordon	AUS
2nd Larissa Nevierov	ITA
3rd Robert Hartley	GBR
4th Alison Casey	AUS
5th Roelien Huismann	NED

**1994 Wakayama, JPN****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 120	Countries 36
1st Nikolas Burfoot	NZL
2nd Pascal Lacoste	FRA
3rd Serge Kats	NED
4th Hamish Pepper	NZL
5th Peer Moberg	NOR

**Men: Laser Radial****Entries 82**

Entries 62	Countries 14
1st Rui Pedro Coelho . . . . .	POR
2nd Rodion Luka . . . . .	UKR
3rd Nathan Handley . . . . .	NZL
4th Yanghe Zhu . . . . .	CHN
5th Todd Holzapfel . . . . .	AUS

**Women: Laser Radial**

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 33	Countries 8
1st Melanie Dennison	AUS
2nd Jacqueline Ellis	AUS
3rd Tracey Tan	SIN
4th Ma Bettina Marcone	ARG
5th Elizabeth Roberts	ARG

**1993 Takapuna, NZL****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 99	Countries 29
1st Thomas Johanson	FIN
2nd Peter Tanscheit	BRA
3rd Robert Scheidt	BRA
4th Nikolas Burfoot	NZL
5th Michael Hestbaek	DEN

**Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 102	Countries 15
1st Ben Ainslie	GBR
2nd Daniel Slater	NZL
3rd Allan Coutts	NZL
4th Michael Blackburn	AUS
5th Peter Waring	NZL

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 32	Countries 12
1st Carolijn Brouwer	NED
2nd Giselle Camet	USA
3rd Alexandra Verbeek	NED
4th Maria Vlachou	GRE
5th Jacqueline Ellis	AUS

**1991 Porto Carras, GRE****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 105	Countries 31
1st Peter Tanscheit	BRA
2nd Stefan Warkalla	GER
3rd Mladen Makjanic	CRO
4th Michael Hestbaek	DEN
5th Dimitri Theodorakis	GRE

**Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 73	Countries 15
1st Stewart Casey	AUS
2nd Maria Vlachou	GRE
3rd John Karageorgis	GRE
4th Alessandro Sartorelli	ITA
5th Elias Katchornis	GRE

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 33	Countries 10
1st Maria Vlachou	GRE
2nd Carolijn Brouwer	NED
3rd Gaurania Flabouris	GRE
4th Roberta Zucchinetti	ITA
5th Marina Psychogiou	GRE

**1990 Newport, USA****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 103	Countries 26
1st Glenn Bourke	AUS
2nd Steven Bourdow	USA
3rd Peter Tanscheit	BRA
4th Mark Brink	USA
5th Steve Rich	GBR

**Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 58	Countries 11
1st Peter Katcha	USA
2nd John Bonds	NZL
3rd Scott Cheney	USA
4th Ardis Bollweg	NED
5th Ulrika Antonsson	SWE

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 30	Countries 11
1st Ardis Bollweg	NED
2nd Ulrika Antonsson	SWE
3rd Jacqueline Ellis	AUS
4th Shona Moss	CAN
5th Lotta Nilsson	SWE

**1989 Aarhus, DEN****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 104	Countries 28
1st Glenn Bourke	AUS
2nd Wouter Deutz	NED
3rd Scott Ellis	AUS
4th Francois Le Castrec	FRA
5th Peter Tanscheit	BRA

**Men: Laser Radial**

Entries 58	Countries 17
1st James Johnstone	USA
2nd Dimitrios Theodorakis	GRE
3rd Jeff Loosemore	AUS
4th Peter Katcha	USA

**5th Yuguan Xu**

<b>Women: Laser Radial</b>		
Entries 33	Countries 15	
1st	Ardis Bollweg . . . . .	NED
2nd	Giselle Camet . . . . .	USA
3rd	Ulrika Antonsson . . . . .	SWE
4th	Grethe Halvorsen . . . . .	NOR
5th	Marie Dahllof . . . . .	SWE

**1988 Falmouth, GBR****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 88	Countries 24
1st Brian Bourke	AUS
2nd Benny Anderson	DEN
3rd Peter Fox	NZL
4th Mark Brink	USA
5th Stefan Warkalla	GER

**Women: Laser Radial**

Entries 31	Countries 14
1st Jacqueline Ellis	AUS
2nd Ardis Bollweg	NED
3rd Ann Keates	GBR
4th Ulrika Antonsson	SWE
5th Johanna Harkonmaki	FIN

**Youth: Laser Standard**

Entries 62	Countries 20
1st Ville Aalto Setala	FIN
2nd Joakim Berg	SWE
3rd Jeroen Harderwijk	NED
4th Jon Lasenby	GBR
5th Nikos Nikitsoudis	GRE

**1987 Melbourne, AUS****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 130	Countries 20
1st Stuart Wallace	AUS
2nd Gunnar Pedersen	DEN
3rd Peter Tanscheit	BRA
4th Nelson Alencastro	BRA
5th Simon Cole	GBR

**1986 Halmstad, SWE****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 108	Countries 28
1st Lawrence Crispin	GBR
2nd Andreas John	GER
3rd Benny Andersen	DEN
4th Gustaf Svensson	SWE
5th Stefan Warkalla	GER

**Women: Laser Standard**

Entries 26	Countries 12
1st Marit Soderstrom	SWE
2nd Lynne Jewell	USA
3rd Francesca Pavesi	ITA
4th Susanne Madsen	DEN
5th Claudine Taliboutet	FRA

**1983 Gulfport, USA****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 145	Countries 27
1st Oscar Paulich	NED
2nd Per Arne Nilson	NOR
3rd Asbjorn Amkværn	SWE
4th Roland Gaebler	GER
5th John Irvine	NZL

**Women: Laser Standard**

1st Betsy Gelentis	USA
2nd Lynne Jewell	USA
3rd Caroline Spooner	CAN
4th Virginia Perry	USA
5th Susanne Madsen	DEN

**1982 Sardinia, ITA****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 231	Countries 28
1st Terry Neilson	CAN
2nd Andrew Roy	CAN
3rd Mark Brink	USA
4th Peter Vilby	DEN
5th John Irvine	NZL

**Women: Laser Standard**

Women: Laser Standard	
Entries 23	
1st	Marion Steenhuis . . . . NED
2nd	Vittoria Masotto . . . . . ITA
3rd	Francesca Pavesi . . . . . ITA
4th	Susanne Schmidt . . . . . GER
5th	Barbara Champion . . . . . GBR

**1980 Kingston, CAN****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 350	Countries 25
1st Ed Baird	USA
2nd Jose Barcel Dias	BRA
3rd John Currier	NZL
4th Sjaak Haakman	NED
5th Duncan Lewis	CAN

**Women: Laser Standard**

Entries: 20	
1st Marit Soderstrom	SWE
2nd Lynne Jewell	USA
3rd Cheryl Smith	NZL
4th Annette Henderson	CAN
5th Kathy Karlson	USA

**1979 Perth, AUS****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 93	Countries 25
1st Lasse Hjortnaes	DEN
2nd Peter Conde	AUS
3rd Andrew Menkart	USA
4th Cor Van Aanholt	NED
5th David Perry	USA

**1977 Cabo Frio, BRA****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 104	Countries 23
1st John Bertrand	USA
2nd Peter Commette	USA
3rd Mark Neeleman	NED
4th Tim Alexander	AUS
5th Gary Knapp	USA

**1976 Kiel, GER****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 77	Countries 24
1st John Bertrand	USA
2nd Barry Thom	NZL
3rd Edward Adams	USA
4th Jeff Madrigali	USA
5th Emilie Pels	NED

**1974 Bermuda****Open: Laser Standard**

Entries 108	Countries 24
1st Peter Commette	USA
2nd Norm Freeman	USA
3rd Chris Boone	USA
4th Hugo Schmidt	USA
5th Carl Buchan	USA

**MASTERS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS****2018 Dún Laoghaire, IRL****Entries 302 Countries 25****Laser Standard**

Apprentices	
1st Leandro Rosado	ESP
2nd Gord Welsh	CAN
3rd Roger O'Gorman	IRL
4th David Quinn	IRL
5th Pete Smyth	IRL

**Masters**

1st Brett Beyer	AUS
2nd Niklas Edler	SWE
3rd David Whait	AUS
4th Orlando Gledhill	GBR
5th Peter Hurley	USA

**Grand Masters**

1st Mark Lyttle	GBR
2nd Carlos Martinez	ESP
3rd Arnoud Hummel	NED
4th Gavin Dagley	AUS
5th Tomas Nordqvist	SWE

**Great Grand Masters**

1st Wolfgang Gerz	GER
2nd Michael Hicks	GBR
3rd Charles Campion	GBR
4th Alan Keen	RSA
5th Mark Bethwaite	AUS

**Laser Radial**

Apprentices	
1st Ben Elvin	GBR
2nd Thomas Chaix	IRL
3rd Andrew Byrne	GBR
4th Niall Peelo	GBR
5th Darrell Reamsbottom	IRL

**Women Apprentices**

1st Alison Stevens	GBR
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**Masters**

1st Scott Leith	NZL
2nd Ian Jones	GBR
3rd Robert Halliwell	USA
4th Andrew Holdsworth	USA
5th Fredrik Wallander	SWE

**Women Masters**

1st Caroline Muncie	CAN
2nd Giovanna Lenci	ITA
3rd Alexandra Weirhauch	GER
4th Dirma Eisenga	NED
5th Shirley Gilmore	IRL

**Grand Masters**

1st Stephen Cockerill	GBR
2nd Gustaf Svensson	SWE
3rd Timothy Woodford	CAN
4th James Mitchell	AUS
5th Robert Britten	CAN

**Women Grand Masters**

1st Lyndal Patterson	AUS
2nd Camilla Graves	AUS
3rd Claudine Taitbouet	FRA
4th Sue Ritchie	GBR
5th Lesley Reichenfeld	CAN

**Great Grand Masters**

1st Bill Symes	USA
2nd Lasse Watesson	SWE
3rd Christopher Boyd	IRL
4th Jean-Luc Dreyer	SUI
5th Lorenz Müller	SUI

**Women Great Grand Masters**

1st Hilary Thomas	GBR
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**Legends (75+)**

1st Peter Seidenberg	USA
2nd Lindsay Hewitt	USA
3rd David Wyllie	AUS
4th Steve Avery	USA
5th Jay Winberg	USA

**Women Legends (75+)**

1st Deirdre Webster	CAN
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**2017 Split, CRO****Entries 349 Countries 35****Laser Standard**

Apprentices	
1st Maciej Grabows	POL
2nd Maxim Semerkh	RUS
3rd Adonis Bougiouris	GRE
4th Guilherme Roth	BRA
5th Girts Fisers-Blu	LAT

**Masters**

1st Brett Beyer	AUS
2nd Peter Hurley	USA
3rd Ernesto Rodrigu	USA
4th Niklas Edler	SWE
5th Chr. Gunni Pede	DEN

**Grand Masters**

1st Allan Clark	CAN
2nd Andy Roy	CAN
3rd Tomas Nordqvist	SWE
4th Tim Law	GBR
5th Nick Harrison	GBR
4th Peter Vessella	USA
5th Wolfgang Gerz	GER

**Great Grand Masters**

1st Michael Nissen	GER
2nd Mark Bethwaite	AUS
3rd John Pitman	NZL
4th Alan Keen	RSA
5th Doug Peckover	USA

**Laser Radial**

Apprentices	
1st Jon Emmett	GBR
2nd Anastasia Chernova	RUS
3rd Noel Baker	FRA
4th David Waitling	RSA
5th Georgia Chimon	GRE

**Women Apprentices**

1st Anastasia Chernova	RUS
2nd Georgia Chimon	GRE
3rd Paula Marino	URU
4th Alice Virginia Grassi	ITA
5th Pernilla Ekelund	USA

**Masters**

1st Alessio Marinelli	ITA
2nd Scott Leith	NZL
3rd Wilmar Groenendijk	NED
4th Leydel Jean-Christophe	FRA
5th Edmund Tam	NZL

**Women Masters**

1st Giovanna Lenci	ITA
2nd Michelle Bain	NZL
3rd Monica Wilson	USA
4th Kimberly Couranz	USA
5th Alexandra Weirhauch	GER

**Grand Masters**

1st Mark Bethwaite	AUS
2nd Pierantonio Masotto	ITA
3rd Terry Scutcher	GBR
4th Rob Cage	GBR
5th Jeff Loosemore	AUS

**Women Grand Masters**

1st Lyndal Patterson	AUS
2nd Vanessa Dudley	AUS
3rd Ann Loren	SWE
4th Lesley Hotchin	GBR
5th Ute Noack	GER

**Great Grand Masters**

1st Bill Symes	USA
2nd Robert Lowndes	AUS
3rd Kerry Waraker	AUS
4th Peter Seidenberg	USA
5th Peter Heywood	AUS

**6th Michael Kinnear****GBR****Women Great Grand Masters**

1st Hilary Thomas	GBR
2nd Gail Waiting	NZL
3rd Deirdre Webster	CAN
Over 75 Masters	
1st Kerry Waraker	AUS
2nd Peter Seidenberg	USA
3rd Steve Avery	USA
4th Roger Williams	GBR
5th Claude Tigier	FRA

**2016 Nuevo Vallarta, MEX****Entries 227 Countries 23****Laser Standard**

Apprentices	
1st Pablo Rabago	MEX
2nd Guilherme Roth	BRA
3rd Alejandro Rabago	MEX
4th Alfonso Aguilar	MEX
5th Fabian Gomez-Ibarra	MEX

**Masters**

1st Brett Beyer	AUS
2nd Ernesto Rodriguez	AUS
3rd Andrew Dellabarca	NZL
4th Benoit Messemacker	FRA
5th Peter Hurley	USA

**Grand Masters**

1st Gavin Dagley	AUS
2nd Cristian Herman	CHI
3rd Allan Clark	CAN
4th Tim Law	GBR
5th Steve Gunther	AUS

**Great Grand Masters**

1st Mark Bethwaite	AUS
2nd Doug Peckover	USA
3rd James Temple	AUS
4th Alberto Larrea	ARG
5th John Robertson	AUS

**Laser Radial****Apprentices**

1st Scott Leith	NZL
2nd Jon Emmett	GBR
3rd Ian Gregory	GBR
4th Alejandro Rabago	MEX
5th Fabio Suyama Ramos	BRA

**Women Apprentices**

1st Natalya Gontcharova	USA
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**Masters**

1st Carlos Eduardo Wanderley	BRA
2nd Richard Blakey	NZL
3rd Alessio Marinelli	ITA
4th Keith Davids	USA
5th Edmund Tam	NZL

**Women Masters**

1st Marcia Macdonald	BRA
2nd Agneta Jonsson	SWE
3rd Diane Sissinging	USA
4th Alexandra Weirhauch	GER
5th Julie Hughes	CAN

**Grand Masters**

1st Vanessa Dudley	AUS
2nd Jeff Loosemore	AUS
3rd Luis Castro	BRA
4th Terry Scutcher	GBR
5th Robert Britten	CAN

**Women Grand Masters**

1st Vanessa Dudley	AUS
2nd Lyndal Patterson	AUS
3rd Kathy Luciano	USA

**Great Grand Masters**

1st Robert Lowndes	AUS
2nd William Symes	USA
3rd Michael Kinnear	GBR
4th Jon Andron	USA
5th Kevin Phillips	AUS

**Women Great Grand Masters**

1st Hilary Thomas	GBR
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**Over 75 Masters**

1st Peter Seidenberg	USA
2nd Kerry Waraker	AUS
3rd David Hartman	USA
4th Geoffrey Lucas	AUS
5th Denis O'Sullivan	IRL

**2015 Kingston, CAN****Entries 247 Countries 25****Laser Standard**

Apprentices	
1st Adonis Bougiouris	GRE
2nd Matt Blakey	NZL
3rd Paul Scullion	GBR
4th Deniz May	GBR
5th Ray Davies	CAN

**Masters**

1st Brett Beyer	AUS
2nd Peter Hurley	USA
3rd Ari Barshi	DOM
4th Marc Jacobi	USA
5th Brad Taylor	AUS

**Grand Masters**

1st Peter Shope	USA
2nd Andy Roy	CAN
3rd Mark Bear	USA
4th Vann Wilson	USA
5th Gavin Dagley	AUS

**Great Grand Masters**

1st Mark Bethwaite	AUS
2nd Alan Keen	RSA
3rd Robert Blakey	NZL
4th David Frazier	USA
5th John Robertson	AUS

**Laser Radial****Apprentices**

1st Scott Leith	NZL
2nd Zac Skulander	AUS
3rd Steven Smith	GBR
4th Pierre-Olivier Roy	CAN
5th Duncan Whitrow	GBR

**Women Apprentices**

1st Erika Vass	CAN
2nd Alexandra Weirhauch	GER
3rd Dorian Haldeman	USA
4th Jennifer Ruddy	CAN

**Masters**

1st Keith Davids	USA
2nd Ian Jones	GBR
3rd Joao Ramos	BRA
4th Michael Knowsley	NZL
5th Nigel Heath	CAN

**Women Masters**

1st Kimberly Couranz	USA
2nd Margaret Podlich	USA
3rd Monica Wilson	USA
4th Julie Stewart	CAN
5th Lisa Pelling	CAN

**Grand Masters**

1st Allan Clark	CAN
2nd Terry Scutcher	GBR
3rd Robert Britten	CAN
4th Jeff Loosemore	AUS
5th Tim Woodford	CAN

**Women Grand Masters**

1st Paula Saxon	CAN
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**Over 75 Masters**

2nd Judith Kimski	USA
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**Great Grand Masters**

1st Robert Lowndes	AUS
2nd Bill Symes	USA
3rd Keith Wilkins	GBR
4th Daniel Devos	FRA
5th Michael Kinnear	GBR

**Women Great Grand Masters**

1st Hilary Thomas	GBR
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**Over 75 Masters**

1st Peter Seidenberg	USA
2nd Johan van Rossem	CAN
3rd Michael Shields	NZL
4th Heini Wellmann	SUI
5th Geoffrey Lucas	AUS

**Women Over 75 Masters**

1st Deirdre Webster	CAN
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**2014 Hyeres, FRA****Entries 499 Countries 36****Laser Standard**

Apprentices	
1st Adonis Bougiouris	GRE
2nd Marciel Grabowski	POL
3rd Matt Blakey	NZL
4th Angelo Tabernero	ESP
5th Urban Nyhammar	SWE

**Masters**

1st Brett Beyer	AUS
2nd Arnoud Hummel	NED
3rd Peter Shope	USA
4th Scott Ferguson	USA
5th Christian Gunni Pedersen	DEN

**Grand Masters**

1st Nick Harrison	GBR
2nd Andy Roy	CAN
3rd Peter Vessella	USA
4th Colin Dibb	AUS
5th Wolfgang Gerz	GER

**Great Grand Masters**

1st Mark Bethwaite	AUS
2nd Robert Blakey	NZL
3rd John Dawson Edwards	CAN
4th John Robertson	AUS
5th Christopher Fyans	GBR

**Laser Radial****Apprentices**

1st Jon Emmett	GBR
2nd Scott Leith	NZL
3rd Alp Alpagut	TUR
4th Iago Whately	BRA
5th Edmund Tait	NZL

**Women Apprentices**

1st Monica Azou	ESP
2nd Cecile Venaut	FRA
3rd Caroline Mueisel	GER
4th Alexandra Weirhauch	GER



**Women Apprentices**

1st	Alison Casey	AUS
2nd	Justine Ella	AUS
3rd	Yvonne Malmsten	SWE

**Masters**

1st	Mark Orams	NZL
2nd	Stephen Cockerill	GBR
3rd	Greg Adams	AUS
4th	Al Clark	CAN
5th	Chris Raab	USA

**Women Masters**

1st	Christine Bridge	AUS
2nd	Lyndall Patterson	AUS
3rd	Vanessa Dudley	AUS

**Grand Masters**

1st	Peter Heywood	AUS
2nd	Brian Watson	AUS
3rd	Peter Whipp	GBR
4th	Lew Verdon	AUS
5th	Ian Rawett	GBR

**Women Grand Masters**

1st	Gill Waitling	NZL
<b>Great Grand Masters</b>		
1st	Peter Seidenberg	USA
2nd	Kerry Waraker	AUS
3rd	Tom Speed	NZL
4th	Jim Quinn	NZL
5th	Howard Taylor	AUS

**2007 Roses, ESP**  
Entries 419 Countries 33**Laser Standard****Apprentices**

1st	Brett Beyer	AUS
2nd	Orlando Gledhill	GBR
3rd	Stephen Cockerill	GBR
4th	Xav Leclair	FRA
5th	Erasun Echavarri	ESP

**Masters**

1st	Arnoud Hummel	NED
2nd	Al Clark	CAN
3rd	César Sierhuis	NED
4th	Scott Ferguson	USA
5th	Peter Vessella	USA

**Grand Masters**

1st	Mark Bethwaite	AUS
2nd	Michael Nissen	GER
3rd	Anders Sörensen	SWE
4th	Jack Schlachter	AUS
5th	William Symes	USA

**Laser Radial****Apprentices**

1st	Mark Miranda	NZL
2nd	Freem Miranda	NED
3rd	Wilmar Groenendijk	NED
4th	Matthias Bruehl	GER
5th	David Early	AUS

**Women Apprentices**

1st	Agneta Jonsson	SWE
2nd	Yvonne Malmsten	SWE
3rd	Christelle Marsault	FRA

**Masters**

1st	Greg Adams	AUS
2nd	Robert Cage	GBR
3rd	Martin Baltischeffsky	FIN
4th	John Reay	GBR
5th	Richard Major	GBR

**Women Masters**

1st	Lyndall Patterson	AUS
2nd	Janet Kemp	AUS
3rd	Claudine Talibouet	FRA

**Grand Masters**

1st	Peter Heywood	AUS
2nd	Peter Whipp	GBR
3rd	Alden Shattuck	USA
4th	Ian Rawett	GBR
5th	Serge Raphaelen	FRA

**Women Grand Masters**

1st	Hilary Thomas	GBR
2nd	Caroline Marriage	GBR

**Great Grand Masters**

1st	Peter Seidenberg	USA
2nd	Kerry Waraker	AUS
3rd	Heini Wellmann	SUI
4th	Greg Marshall	AUS
5th	Bill Watson	GBR

**Women Great Grand Masters**

1st	Deirdre Webster	CAN
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**2006 Jeju Island, KOR**  
Entries 72 Countries 14**Laser Standard****Apprentices**

1st	Brett Beyer	AUS
2nd	Orlando Gledhill	GBR
3rd	Giles Grigg	NZL
4th	Richard Blakey	NZL
5th	Kevin Currier	IRL

**Masters**

1st	Brodie Cobb	USA
2nd	Tracy Usher	USA

3rd	Mark Bear	USA
4th	Alden Martinie	DOM
5th	Malcolm Courts	GBR

**Grand Masters**

1st	Doug Peckover	USA
2nd	Robert Lowndes	AUS
3rd	Derek Breitenstein	FIN
4th	Rob Blakey	NZL
5th	Ken Brown	CAN

**Laser Radial****Apprentices**

1st	Steve Cockerill	GBR
2nd	Mark Page	NZL
3rd	David Early	AUS
4th	Christine Bridge	AUS

**Masters**

1st	Greg Adams	AUS
2nd	Bruce Martinson	AUS
3rd	Martin Baltischeffsky	FIN
4th	Lyndall Patterson	AUS
5th	Gregory Kemp	AUS

**Grand Masters**

1st	Alden Shattuck	AUS
2nd	Peter Whipp	GBR
3rd	Ian Rawett	GBR
4th	Mark Miller	NZL
5th	Hilary Thomas	GBR

**Great Grand Masters**

1st	Peter Seidenberg	USA
2nd	Kerry Waraker	AUS
3rd	Sandy Grigg	NZL
4th	Tom Speed	NZL
5th	Gregg Marshall	AUS

**Women**

1st	Christine Bridge	AUS
2nd	Lyndall Patterson	AUS
3rd	Janet Kemp	AUS
4th	Hilary Thomas	GBR
5th	Lesley Hotchin	GBR

**2005 Fortaleza, BRA**  
Entries 183 Countries 25**Laser Standard****Apprentices**

1st	Brett Beyer	AUS
2nd	Xav Leclair	FRA
3rd	Scott Ferguson	USA
4th	Mark Page	NZL
5th	Larry Kleist	AUS

**Masters**

1st	Murray Thom	NZL
2nd	Peter Conde	AUS
3rd	Kurt Miller	USA
4th	Gonzalo Campero	ARG
5th	Vann Wilson	USA

**Grand Masters**

1st	Mark Bethwaite	AUS
2nd	Nicolas Livingstone	GBR
3rd	Keith Wilkins	GBR
4th	Ted Moore	USA
5th	John Dawson Edwards	CAN

**Laser Radial****Apprentices**

1st	Mark Orams	NZL
2nd	Stephen Cockerill	GBR
3rd	Carlos Eduardo Wanderley	BRA
4th	David Early	HKG
5th	Wilmar Groenendijk	NED

**Women Apprentices**

1st	Kim Ferguson	USA
2nd	Lisa Garaty	AUS

**Masters**

1st	Alexander Nikolaev	RUS
2nd	Adam French	USA
3rd	Chris Raab	AUS
4th	Aldo Cezar Guimarães	BRA
5th	Lyndall Patterson	AUS

**Women Masters**

1st	Lyndall Patterson	AUS
2nd	Janet Kemp	AUS
3rd	Kathy Hermann	AUS

**Grand Masters**

1st	Peter Heywood	AUS
2nd	Gary McCrohon	AUS
3rd	Alden Shattuck	USA
4th	Poopy Marcon	FRA
5th	Peter Whipp	GBR

**Great Grand Masters**

1st	Kerry Waraker	AUS
2nd	Peter Seidenberg	USA
3rd	Denis O'Sullivan	IRL
4th	Heini Wellmann	SUI
5th	Sandy Grigg	NZL

**2004 Bitez, TUR**  
Entries 153 Countries 30**Standard Rig****Apprentices**

1st	Brett Beyer	AUS
2nd	Stephen Cockerill	GBR
3rd	Matthias Lehner	AUT

4th	Nick Walsh	IRL
5th	Matl Sepp	EST

**Masters**

1st	Colin Dibb	AUS
2nd	Jack Schlachter	AUS
3rd	Tracy Usher	USA
4th	Brett Wright	BER
5th	Mark Bear	USA

**Grand Masters**

1st	Mark Bethwaite	AUS
2nd	Magnus Olin	SWE
3rd	David Edmiston	AUS
4th	Robert Lowndes	AUS
5th	Sandy Grigg	NZL

**Laser Radial****Apprentices**

1st	David Early	HKG
2nd	Aydin Yurdum	TUR
3rd	Martin Baltischeffsky	FIN
4th	Bulent Baha Akın	TUR
5th	Claudio Gallizioli	ITA

**Women Apprentices**

1st	Yvonne Malmsten	SWE
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**Masters**

1st	Goran Bonacic	CRO
2nd	Lyndall Patterson	AUS
3rd	Bruce Martinson	USA
4th	Oliver Faigue	FRA
5th	Laurent Vico	FRA

**Women Masters**

1st	Lyndall Patterson	AUS
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**Grand Masters**

1st	Poopy Marcon	FRA
2nd	Alden Shattuck	USA
3rd	Peter Whipp	GBR
4th	Heini Wellmann	SUI
5th	Mark Miller	NZL

**Great Grand Masters**

1st	Peter Seidenberg	NZL
2nd	Jack Hansen	USA
3rd	Kenneth Holliday	RSA
4th	Denis O'Sullivan	IRL
5th	David Flakelar	AUS

**2003 Cadiz, ESP**  
Entries 236 Countries 27**Laser Standard****Apprentices**

1st	Mark Littlejohn	GBR
2nd	Stephen Cockerill	GBR
3rd	Brett Beyer	AUS
4th	Jyrki Taiminen	FIN
5th	Huub Lambréx	NED

**Masters**

1st	Anders Sorenson	SWE
2nd	Chris Raab	USA
3rd	Malcolm Courts	GBR
4th	Nick Harrison	GBR
5th	Alexander Nikolaev	RUS

**Grand Masters**

1st	Mark Bethwaite	AUS
2nd	Keith Wilkins	GBR
3rd	Kevin Pearson	GBR
4th	Kim Weber	FIN
5th	William Symes	USA

**Laser Radial****Apprentices**

1st	Wilmar Groenendijk	NED
2nd	Thomas Deimling	GER
3rd	Roberta Hartley	GBR
4th	Martin Baltischeffsky	FIN
5th	Luis Martin Propato	ARG

**Women Apprentices**

1st	Roberta Hartley	GBR
2nd	Yvonne Malmsten	SWE
3rd	Susan Brown	GBR

**Masters**

1st	Alastair McMichael	AUS
2nd	Bruce Martinson	USA
3rd	Lyndall Patterson	AUS
4th	Christian Borenus	FIN
5th	Peter Whipp	GBR

**Women Masters**

1st	Lyndall Patterson	AUS
2nd	Jan Kemp	AUS
3rd	Okumura Hiroko	JPN

**Grand Masters**

1st	Alden Shattuck	USA
2nd	Henk Wittenberg	NED
3rd	Gary McCrohon	AUS
4th	Roger Williams	BER
5th	Gerard Jeannot	FRA

**Great Grand Masters**

1st	Peter Seidenberg	USA
2nd	Tom Speed	NZL
3rd	Bill Watson	GBR
4th	Heinz Gebauer	CAN
5th	Denis O'Sullivan	IRL

**2002 Hyannis, USA**  
Entries 270 Countries 24**Laser Standard**  
**Apprentices**

1st	Andreas John	GER
2nd	Brett Beyer	AUS
3rd	Mark Littlejohn	GBR
4th	Andrew Pimental	USA
5th	Jyrki Taiminen	FIN

**Masters**

1st	Ed Adams	USA
2nd	Mark Bear	USA
3rd	Peter Vessella	USA
4th	Charles Tripp	USA
5th	Tracy Usher	USA

**Grand Masters**

1st	Keith Wilkins	GBR
2nd	Bill Symes	USA
3rd	Peter Seidenberg	USA
4th	Robert Lowndes	AUS
5th	Jack Hansen	NZL

**Laser Radial****Apprentices**

1st	Stephen Cockerill	GBR
2nd	Mark Orams	NZL
3rd	Wilmar Groenendijk	NED
4th	Ryan Minth	USA
5th	Robert Falk	USA

**Masters**

1st	Adam French	AUS
2nd	Alden Shattuck	USA
3rd	Bruce Martinson	USA
4th	Diane Burton	USA
5th	Richard Ineson	NZL

**Grand Masters**

1st	Lindsay Hewitt	USA
2nd	Colin Maddren	NZL
3rd	Mark Miller	NZL
4th	James Johnston	USA
5th	Lew Verdon	AUS

**Great Grand Masters**

1st	Dick Tillman	USA
2nd	Henry de Wolf Jr.	USA
3rd	Heinz Gebauer	CAN
4th	Jim Christopher	USA
5th	Peter Raymer	GBR

**Women**

1st	Diane Burton	USA
2nd	Jane Codman	USA
3rd	Sally Sharp	USA
4th	Yvonne Malmsten	SWE
5th	Debbie Phillips	GBR

**2001 Cork, IRL****Entries 314 Countries 25****Laser Standard****Apprentices**

1st	Brett Beyer	AUS
2nd	Mark Littlejohn	GBR
3rd	Doug McGain	AUS
4th	Mark Lytle	IRL
5th	Marc Jacobi	USA

**Masters**

1st	Colin Dibb	AUS
2nd	Ian Linberger	USA
3rd	Anders Sorenson	SWE
4th	Mark Bethwaite	AUS
5th	Malcolm Courts	GBR

**Grand Masters**

1st	Keith Wilkins	GBR
2nd	Philip Pegler	AUS
3rd	Jacky Nebrel	FRA
4th	Bob Blakey	NZL
5th	Barry Waller	AUS

**Laser Radial**

5th	Martin Hallsten	SWE
<b>Masters</b>		
1st	Mark Bethwaite	AUS
2nd	Rob Coutts	NZL
3rd	Doug Peckover	USA
4th	Jack Schlachter	AUS
5th	Alan Keen	RSA
<b>Grand Masters</b>		
1st	Keith Wilkins	GBR
2nd	Dick Tillmann	USA
3rd	Joe van Rossem	CAN
4th	Ian Rawet	GBR
5th	Tom Speed	NZL
<b>Laser Radial</b>		
<b>Great Grand Masters</b>		
1st	Henry de Wolf Jr.	USA
2nd	Kurt Zueger	SUI
3rd	Heinz Gebauer	CAN
4th	Geoffrey Myburgh	RSA
5th	Robert Saltmarsh	USA
<b>Laser Radial Open</b>		
1st	Adam French	AUS
2nd	Wilmar Groenendijk	NED
3rd	Glyn Purnell	GBR
4th	Lew Verdon	AUS
5th	Henry de Wolf Jr.	USA
<b>Laser Radial Women</b>		
1st	Sally Sharp	USA
2nd	Jennie King	GBR
3rd	Karyn Voos	USA
4th	Alison Knight	IVB

### 1999 Melbourne, AUS

Entries 237 Countries 22

#### Laser Standard

##### Apprentices

1st	Mark Littlejohn	GBR
2nd	Andreas John	GER
3rd	Alan Davis	GBR
4th	Bill O'Hara	IRL
5th	Brad Taylor	AUS

##### Masters

1st	Keith Wilkins	GBR
2nd	Peter Sundheim	SWE
3rd	Doug Peckover	USA
4th	Jack Schlachter	AUS
5th	Timothy Alexander	AUS

##### Grand Masters

1st	Graham Oborn	AUS
2nd	Jack Hansen	NZL
3rd	Keith Vann	NZL
4th	Ben Piefke	AUS
5th	Kerry Waraker	AUS

#### Laser Radial

##### Great Grand Masters

1st	Graham Read	AUS
2nd	Haruyoshi Kimura	JPN
3rd	Geoffrey Myburgh	RSA
4th	Kurt Zueger	SUI
5th	Peter O'Grady	AUS

##### Laser Radial Open

1st	Mark Orams	NZL
2nd	Alexandre Nikolaev	RUS
3rd	Frank Inmon	AUS
4th	Wilmar Groenendijk	NED
5th	Adam French	AUS

##### Laser Radial Women

1st	Lyndal Patterson	AUS
2nd	Helen Cooksey	AUS
3rd	Sally Sharp	USA
4th	Susan Fielding	GBR
5th	Lesley Hotchin	GBR

### 1997 Algarrobo, CHI

Entries 128 Countries 21

#### Laser Standard

##### Apprentices

1st	Herman Cristian	CHI
2nd	Alan Davis	GBR
3rd	Marcelo Fuchs	BRA
4th	Terry Scutcher	GBR
5th	Bill O'Hara	IRL

##### Masters

1st	Doug Peckover	USA
2nd	Mark Bethwaite	AUS
3rd	Keith Wilkins	GBR
4th	Jack Schlachter	AUS
5th	Barry Waller	AUS

##### Grand Masters

1st	Colin Lovelady	AUS
2nd	Peter Seidenberg	USA
3rd	Wilhelm Gerlinger	GER
4th	Joe Van Rossem	CAN
5th	Jack Hansen	NZL

#### Laser Radial

##### Great Grand Masters

1st	Heinz Gebauer	CAN
2nd	Doug Bates	NZL
3rd	Graham Read	AUS
4th	Peter Raymer	GBR
5th	Robert Saltmarsh	USA

### Laser Radial Open

1st	Wilmar Groenendijk	NED
2nd	Aydin Yurdum	TUR
3rd	Alexandre Nikolaev	RUS
4th	Gary McCrohon	AUS
5th	Heinz Gebauer	CAN

### 1996 Cape Town, RSA

Entries 155 Countries 21

#### Laser Standard

##### Apprentices

1st	Peter Wilson	RSA
2nd	Robert Douglass	AUS
3rd	Regis Berenguer	FRA
4th	Terry Scutcher	GBR
5th	Chris Rodowicz	AUS

##### Masters

1st	Keith Wilkins	GBR
2nd	Mark Bethwaite	AUS
3rd	Alan Keen	RSA
4th	Barry Waller	AUS
5th	Doug Peckover	USA

##### Grand Masters

1st	Ben Piefke	AUS
2nd	Denis O'Sullivan	IRL
3rd	Colin Lovelady	AUS
4th	Peter Seidenberg	USA
5th	Ken Holiday	RSA

#### Laser Radial

##### Laser Radial Open

1st	Adam French	AUS
2nd	Alexandre Nikolaev	RUS
3rd	Kevin Bloor	AUS
4th	Rui Sancho	ANG
5th	Gary McCrohon	AUS

### 1995 Tenerife, ESP

Entries 113 Countries 20

#### Apprentices

1st	Nicholas Harrison	GBR
2nd	Lance Burger	RSA
3rd	Tomas Franzen	SWE
4th	Peter Saxton	GBR
5th	Norio Akiyama	JPN

##### Masters

1st	Keith Wilkins	GBR
2nd	Barry Waller	AUS
3rd	Ted Moore	USA
4th	Pieter Dekker	NED
5th	Jacky Nebrel	FRA

##### Grand Masters

1st	Colin Lovelady	AUS
2nd	Peter Seidenberg	USA
3rd	Jack Hansen	NZL
4th	Joe Van Rossem	CAN
5th	Michael Heath	AUS

### 1994 Wakayama, JPN

Entries 131 Countries 15

#### Apprentices

1st	Norio Akiyama	JPN
2nd	Nicholas Harrison	GBR
3rd	Nelson Iorn Itha	BRA
4th	Koichiro Naito	JPN
5th	Doug Peckover	USA

##### Masters

1st	Keith Wilkins	GBR
2nd	Hiroyuki Uehara	JPN
3rd	Mark Bethwaite	AUS
4th	Katsumi Hirano	JPN
5th	Ian Rawet	GBR

##### Grand Masters

1st	Colin Lovelady	AUS
2nd	Peter Seidenberg	USA
3rd	Denis O'Sullivan	IRL
4th	Barry Pownall	AUS
5th	Tony Denham	AUS

### 1993 Takapuna, NZL

Entries 186 Countries 22

#### Apprentices

1st	Paul Page	NZL
2nd	Neville Wittey	AUS
3rd	Murray Thom	NZL
4th	Andrew York	AUS
5th	Lance Burger	USA

##### Masters

1st	Keith Wilkins	GBR
2nd	John Rigg	AUS
3rd	Mark Bethwaite	AUS
4th	Barry Waller	AUS
5th	John Douglas	NZL

##### Grand Masters

1st	Colin Lovelady	AUS
2nd	Denis O'Sullivan	USA
3rd	Barry Pownall	AUS
4th	Ralph Ellis	AUS
5th	John Maynard	GBR

##### Great Grand Masters

1st	Doug Bates	NZL
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2nd	Robert Saltmarsh	USA
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#### Women

1st	Jill Robertson	CAN
2nd	Sally Sharp	USA

### 1991 Porto Carras, GRE

Entries 107 Countries 23

#### Laser Standard

##### Apprentices

1st	Stephen Birbeck	GBR
2nd	Mark Phillips	AUS
3rd	Mario Orlich	ITA
4th	Geoffrey McGillivray	AUS
5th	Peter Wolfe	IRL

##### Masters

1st	Keith Wilkins	GBR
2nd	Peter Seidenberg	CAN
3rd	Barry Waller	AUS
4th	Will Gerlinger	GER
5th	Ilkka Schroderus	FIN

##### Grand Masters

1st	Colin Lovelady	AUS
2nd	Friedhelm Lixenfeld	GER
3rd	Heinz Gebauer	CAN
4th	Nick Payne	GBR
5th	Tony Denham	AUS

### 1990 New Bedford, USA

Entries 112 Countries 19

#### Apprentices

1st	Kim Zetterberg	USA
2nd	Michael Stovin-Bradford	AUS
3rd	Mark Phillips	AUS
4th	Geoffrey McGillivray	AUS
5th	Had Brick	USA

##### Masters

1st	Denis O'Sullivan	IRL
2nd	Peter Seidenberg	CAN
3rd	Joe Van Rossem	CAN
4th	Curt Bidner	SWE
5th	David Olson	USA

##### Grand Masters

1st	Friedhelm Lixenfeld	GER
2nd	Jim Christopher	AUS
3rd	Tony Denham	AUS
4th	Norman Freeman	USA
5th	Nick Payne	GBR

### 1989 Aarhus, DEN

Entries 114 Countries 25

#### Apprentices

1st	Keith Wilkins	GBR
2nd	Phil Graves	CAN
3rd	Jeff Loosemore	AUS
4th	Had Brick	USA
5th	Peter Griffiths	NZL

##### Masters

1st	John Rigg	AUS
2nd	Curt Bidner	SWE
3rd	Christher Baath	SWE
4th	Denis O'Sullivan	IRL
5th	Peter Seidenberg	CAN

##### Grand Masters

1st	Friedhelm Lixenfeld	GER
2nd	Jack Swenson	USA
3rd	Heinz Gebauer	CAN
4th	Nick Payne	GBR
5th	Robert Saltmarsh	USA

### 1988 Falmouth, GBR

Entries 156 Countries 24

#### Apprentices

1st	Jeff Loosemore	AUS
2nd	Phil Graves	CAN
3rd	Had Brick	USA
4th	Keith Wilkins	GBR
5th	Peter Heywood	AUS

##### Masters

1st	Peter Seidenberg	CAN
2nd	Colin Lovelady	AUS
3rd	John Maynard	GBR
4th	John Rigg	AUS
5th	Nils Andersson	USA

##### Grand Masters

1st	Friedhelm Lixenfeld	GER
2nd	Geoffrey Myburgh	RSA
3rd	Heinz Gebauer	CAN
4th	Peter Milnes	USA
5th	Jan Nouwen	NED

### 1987 Melbourne, AUS

Entries 106 Countries 22

#### Apprentices

1st	Phil Peglar	AUS
2nd	Warwick Phillips	AUS
3rd	John Sprague	AUS
4th	Geoff Galle	AUS
5th	Will Gerlinger	GER

##### Masters

1st	John Rigg	AUS
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2nd	Michael Heath	AUS
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3rd	Peter Seidenberg	CAN
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4th	Colin Lovelady	AUS
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5th	Greg Marshall	AUS
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#### Grand Masters

1st	Alan Clark	AUS
2nd	Alec McClure	AUS
3rd	Graham Gilbert	AUS
4th	Doug Bates	NZL
5th	Bob White	AUS

### 1985 World Masters Games

#### Toronto, CAN

##### Entries 101

##### Apprentices

1st	David Olsen	USA
2nd	Ben Lashaway	USA
3rd	Richard Gronblom	FIN

##### Masters

1st	Peter Seidenberg	CAN
2nd	Colin Lovelady	AUS
3rd	Robert Lundt	USA
1st	Alec McClure	AUS
2nd	Alexander Nimick	USA
3rd	Alister Taig	USA

### 1984 Pattaya, THA

Entries 62 Countries 22

#### Apprentices

1st	Richard Verco	AUS
2nd	Paul Millsom	AUS
3rd	Kim Weber	FIN
4th	Roger Williams	UAE
5th	Ilkka Schroderus	FIN

##### Masters

3rd	Colin Lovelady	AUS
4th	Michael Heath	AUS
5th	Denis O'Sullivan	IRL
<b>Grand Masters</b>		
1st	Alex McClure	AUS

3rd	Lucien Bouche.....	FRA
4th	Horst Kimm.....	GER
5th	Michael Tuson.....	QAT

**Grand Masters**

1st	Alan Clark.....	AUS
2nd	Cecil Walker.....	GBR
3rd	Pierro Marchetti.....	ITA
4th	Vittorio Baldoni.....	ITA
5th	John Nouwen.....	NED

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# 1980 Bendor, FRA

Entries 67      Countries 15

## Apprentices

1st	Svend Carlsen.....	DEN
2nd	Werner Winter.....	GER
3rd	Jacky Nebrel.....	FRA

## Masters

1st	Nick Paine.....	GBR
2nd	Alf Johnson.....	RSA
3rd	Peter Fordham.....	GBR

## Grand Masters

1st	Sam Small.....	USA
2nd	Cecil Walker.....	GBR
3rd	Vittorio Baldoni.....	ITA

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**Laser Radial**



**Laser Standard**