2027 ILCA North American Masters Championship

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Organizing Authority: Jericho Sailing Centre Association
June 24-27, 2027
Vancouver, BC, Canada

Notice of Race (NoR)

The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

1 Rules

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of Sail Canada, and the rules of the International Laser Class Association (ILCA), except as any of these are changed by this Notice of Race.

1.2 [DP][NP] RRS 40.1 will apply, and it is reproduced here: *"competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while on the water except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits or dry suits do not qualify as personal flotation devices"*.

1.3 RRS 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "*(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, **and** did not see, the incident, or*".

1.4 RRS Appendix P, "Special procedures for Rule 42", will apply.

2 Sailing Instructions

2.1 The sailing instructions (SIs) will be available on or before 1200 hrs on June 22, 2027, on the online official notice board (ONB); see Paragraph 3.1 of this NoR..

3 Communication

3.1 The online official notice board will be at https://jsca.bc.ca/event/2027-ilca-na-masters-championship/ . Paper copies of all notices posted on the online official notice board will also be posted on the notice board in the foyer of the Jericho Sailing Centre, 1300 Discovery St, Vancouver, BC, Canada.

3.2 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 Eligibility and Entry

4.1 The event is open to boats of the ILCA 4, ILCA 6, ILCA 7 classes that meet ILCA Rules.

4.2 Competitors who have reached the age of 30 and older on the day before race day 1 of the event, and who are members of ILCA North America (ILCa-NA), or their national Laser Class Association, may enter by completing the registration and paying the required fees. Competitors who are not members of ILCA-NA must contact office@ilcanasailing.org with proof of membership before registering.

4.3 Rig-Swapping Rule

4.3.1 Unless a minimum of (12) ILCA 7 and (12) ILCA 6 entries have been received by the pre-registration deadline of June 1, 2027, all entrants shall start and finish together and be scored as a single fleet.

4.3.2 Competitors may choose ILCA 7, ILCA 6 or ILCA 4 rigs at their discretion provided that all rig changes are made on shore and all sails have the same number (Rig-Swapping Rule turned on).

4.3.3 Providing that a minimum of (12) ILCA 7 and (12) ILCA 6 entries has been received by the pre-registration deadline of June 1, 2027, the ILCA 6 fleet shall be given a separate start and shall be scored separately from the ILCA 7 fleet (Rig-Swapping Rule turned off). Rig-Swapping between ILCA 6 and ILCA 4 shall always be in effect. This changes ILCA Class Rule C.1.2(b) and C.3.3(a) by permission of the International Laser Class Association.

4.4 As part of the online registration process, competitors, coaches and/or support personnel will be required to sign a Waiver of Liability (https://app.waiverfile.com/b/jsca/Waiver.aspx).

4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5 Fees

5.1 The entry fee is CAD $240 for entries received prior to June 1, 2027. Registrations received on or after June 1, 2027, will pay a fee of CAD $280. Entry fees include registration, temporary storage June 23-27, official regatta social events, and awards. Storage outside the specified dates is $10/night.

5.2 Additional tickets for the social events may be purchased on clubspot before June 17, 2027.

6 Schedule

6.1 Registration is available online at https://jsca.bc.ca/event/2027-ilca-na-masters-championship/ .

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday, June 23	14:00	Practice race
	15:00	In-person check-in opens
	16:00	Debrief
	19:00	Check-in closes
Thursday, June 24	08:00	In-person check-in opens
	10:00	Check-in closes
	11:00	Skippers meeting
	13:00	First warning –up to 3 races scheduled
		Day 1 debrief following racing
	18:00	Beach picnic
Friday, June 25	12:00	First warning – up to 3 races scheduled
		Day 2 debrief following racing
Saturday, June 26	12:00	First warning – up to 3 races scheduled
		Day 3 debrief following racing
	18:30	Regatta dinner
Sunday, June 27	12:00	First warning – up to 3 races scheduled
	15:00	No warning signal after this time
	17:00	Prizegiving ceremony

7 [NP] Technical Inspection

7.1 Boats, gear, and sails may be inspected at any time for compliance to the ILCA Class Rules.

7.2 Competitors shall use only one hull, sail, batten set, mast, boom, centerboard and rudder, except in case of breakage followed by written permission from the Race Committee.

7.2.1 If Rig-Swapping Rule is turned on, an extra sail, batten set, and lower mast section are allowed.

7.3 Sail numbers must be applied in accordance with ILCA Class Rules and sails must have the builder button. National letters are not required, however, if used, national letters must comply with ILCA Rules.

7.4 The race committee permits the use of a sail with numbers that are different from the sail number allocated to the hull as per ILCA Rules, A.10.1(b). However, if two or more sailors have identical sail numbers, the sail matching its hull number shall be allowed and the non-matching number must be changed.

8 Venue

8.1 The venue is the Jericho Sailing Centre, 1300 Discovery St, Vancouver BC.

8.2 The racing area is English Bay.

9 Courses

9.1 Courses will be windward-leeward, triangle or combinations thereof. Courses will be specified in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

9.2 Marks will be inflatable tetrahedrons.

10 Penalty System

10.1 RRS P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply. RRS P2.1 applies to all penalties under RRS Appendix P.

11 Scoring

11.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series for each class.

11.2 The low point system as described in RRS Appendix A, Rule A4 is in effect.

11.3 When fewer than five races have been completed in a class, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.4 When five or more races have been completed in a class, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11.5 When ten or more races have been completed in a class, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

11.6 The ILCA North America Masters handicap system will be used to score the overall series.

11.6.1 Based on the competitor's age on the day before race day 1, divisions will be: Apprentice (30-44), Master (45-54), Grand Master (55-64), Great Grand Master (65-74), Legend (75 and over).

11.6.2 For each race, the following points will be added to each boat's finish position: Apprentice: add 4 points, Masters: add 3 points, Grand Masters: add 2 points, Great Grand Masters: add 1 point and Legends add 0 points.

11.6.3 Ties within an age division are broken as per RRS Appendix A8. Ties across age divisions are broken in favor of the sailor from the older division.

12 Risk Statement

12.1 RRS 3 states: "*The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone*". By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

12.2 The organizing authority (Jericho Sailing Centre Association), and ILCA-NA, their staff and volunteers and sponsors will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the 2027 ILCA North American Master Championship Regatta.

13 Insurance

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

13.2 The organizing authority does not accept any responsibility for verifying that a boat has valid third-party liability insurance.

14 Additional Information

14.1 Additional information is available by contacting:

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