



NOTICE OF RACE

**2008/09 Parkland Mazda Laser State
Championships**

Incorporating the:

2009 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LASER CHAMPIONSHIP

2009 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LASER RADIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

2009 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LASER WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

2009 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LASER MASTER'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

2009 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LASER RADIAL MASTER'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

2009 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LASER 4.7 CHAMPIONSHIP

19th – 21st December 2008

HOST CLUB: South of Perth Yacht Club

Parkland Mazda

1287 Albany Highway, Cannington

www.parklandmazda.com.au

**The Organising Authority is the South of Perth Yacht Club in conjunction with the Western
Australian Laser Association**

**The Championships are conducted on behalf of the Australian Laser Class Association under
the Authority of Yachting Western Australia**

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1 Rules

- 1.1 All races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008 (RRS) of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF), the prescriptions and special regulations of Yachting Australia, the class rules of the International Laser Class Association, and the notice of race, except as any of these are changed by the sailing instructions, and the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 2 – Off the Beach Boats will apply. It will be the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that personal flotation devices comply with the standards listed in Specific Regulations R1 – Personal Buoyancy.

2 Advertising

Category C advertising shall apply.

3 Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 Boats complying with the class rules of the International Laser Class Association are eligible to enter the Championship.
- 3.2 The competitor shall be a member of a club affiliated with a State or National Yachting Authority and be a current member of the International Laser Class Association and their respective Member National Authority.
- 3.3 To be eligible for the Youth category, a competitor will not have attained their 19th birthday on or before the 31st December 2009. Eligibility for other age divisions shall be based on the competitor's age on the first day of the regatta.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached Entry Form in full. Entries must be accompanied by the required fee. Payments to be made as indicated on entry form.

4 Entry Fees

- 4.1 The regatta entry fee is \$75.00, for all sailors. Included in this is a ticket to the Presentation Meal on 21st December 2008 and welcome sundowner on Friday 19th December 2008.
- 4.2 Entries *not received* by the organising committee by 8th December 2008 at 1700 hrs) will be deemed late entries.
- 4.3 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority with an additional payment of \$50.

5 Entry Closing Dates

- 5.1 Entry closing date: 8th December 2008 at 1700 hrs
- 5.2 Late entry closing date for all competitors: 19th December 2008 at 1200 hrs

6 Measurement and Inspection

- 6.1 Registration and measurement will take place at the times and venues specified below in the Regatta Schedule.

- 6.2 Competitors shall use only one hull, sail, mast (upper and lower section), boom, centreboard and rudder, which will be identified and stamped during measurement.
- 6.3 The competitor shall be responsible for ensuring that their boat and equipment comply with the Laser Class rules.
- 6.4 The Regatta Measurer, or such person as he or she delegates, may conduct random measurement checks on boats and competitors before, during and after the regatta.
- 6.5 Damaged equipment may only be replaced on written request to the Race Officer. Written approval may be granted if the damaged equipment and the replacement equipment are submitted for inspection and approval. Applications shall be submitted at least one hour prior to the advertised start time of the next race. If damage occurs during the first race of the day, equipment may be replaced between races provided a written request is lodged before the end of protest time for that day.

7 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available from 1000 hrs from the Registration Desk located at South of Perth Yacht Club on 19th December 2008.

8 Regatta Site

The Regatta Site will be the South of Perth Yacht Club, Canning Beach Road Applecross, WA.

9 Racing Area

The racing will be on Melville Water region of the Swan River.

10 Courses

Courses to be sailed will be trapezoidal and windward leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions.

11 Regatta Schedule

Friday 19 th December 2008	1000-1400 1415 1600	Registration and Measurement Competitors Briefing First Warning Signal
Saturday 20 th December 2008	0900 1300 1630	First Warning Signal Morning Racing to conclude Warning Signal
Sunday 21 st December 2008	0900 1200 1330 1800	First Warning Signal Morning Racing to conclude Warning Signal Presentation Dinner

12 Scoring

- 12.1 The Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) will apply.
- 12.2 10 races are scheduled over the regatta period with 4 races to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.3 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.4 When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12.5 When 8 or more races have been completed, a boats score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.
- 12.6 All Division prizes will be calculated on overall results.

13 Support Boats

- 13.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall not encroach within 100 metres of any competitor that is racing without the prior approval of the PRO. Failure to comply may result in disqualification of all competitors associated with the infringing vessel.

14 Radio Communication

- 14.1 A competitor shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, including mobile phone calls, while racing.

15 Prizes

- 15.1 Prizes and Cubes shall be awarded in accordance with ILCA guidelines.

- 15.2 Competitors from outside Western Australia will not be eligible for Cubes and Perpetual Trophies.

16 Risk and Responsibility

- 16.1 Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4, which states: “A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing”.
- 16.2 Competitors take part in the event entirely at their own risk. The WA Laser Association, South of Perth Yacht Club, its members or representatives will not be held liable for damage or loss of equipment, personal injury or loss of life.

17 Liability Insurance

- 17.1 It is the competitor’s responsibility to have current Third Party Liability and Public Liability Insurance of not less than AUS\$5,000,000 valid for the period of the Regatta. Evidence of the currency of this insurance shall be produced by competitors at registration.

18 Protest Mediation

Mediation will apply and will be described in full in the sailing instructions.