2017 Ontario Laser Masters Championship July 15/16, 2017 Sturgeon Lake Sailing Club Sturgeon Point, Ontario

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the rules of the International Laser Class Association (ILCA).
- Racing Rule 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices (code flag Y need not be displayed).
- Laser Class Rule 27(d) is changed by permission of ILCA North America as follows: Unless a minimum of 12 Radial and 12 Standard entries has been received by the pre-registration deadline, all entrants shall start and finish together and be scored as a single fleet. Competitors may choose Standard, Radial or 4.7 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). If a minimum of 12 Radial and 12 Standard entries has been received by the pre-registration deadline, the fleets shall each be given a separate start and shall be scored separately (Rig-Swapping Rule turned off).

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

 The regatta is open to all boats of the Laser class whose skippers have reached the age of 35 by the regatta start date. Competitors shall be assigned to the following age divisions based on their age on the first day of the regatta:

Apprentice – 35-44 years of age Master – 45-54 years of age Grand Master – 55-64 years of age Great Grand Master – 65+ years of age

Competitors may register in advance using the online registration process on our website. http://www.slsc.ca/2017-masters/

3. FEES

- The entry fee is \$100 for entries completed with payment on or before July 8, 2017.
- An additional entry fee of \$20 will be charged for entries completed or paid after July 8, 2017.
- The fee for meals and lodging for guests is \$50.
- Entry fees include: billeting at a local cottage please bring a sleeping bag; all meals from Saturday through Sunday and a regatta t-shirt.

4. SCHEDULE

July 14 16:00 to 20:00 Registration

July 15	8:00	Breakfast at SLSC
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	10:00	Competitors meeting
	11:00	First warning signal
	19:00	Dinner at Rosehill Cottage
July 16	8:00	Breakfast at SLSC
	10:00	First warning signal
	15:00	No warning signal will be made after
	ASAP	Lunch and awards presentation

5. INSPECTION & MEASUREMENT

- o All boats shall comply with current ILCA Class Rules and Specifications.
- The organizing authority will provide coloured bands which competitors shall affix to their mast between the vang tang and the gooseneck to identify their division. Colours shall be green for Apprentices, red for Masters, blue for Grand Masters, and yellow for Great Grand Masters.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at event check-in.

7. COURSES

• The courses will be around buoys set by the race committee as described in the Sailing Instructions.

8. SCORING

- The Low Point Scoring System (Appendix A) shall be used, as modified below.
- The number of races scheduled is 10. The minimum number of races required to constitute a regatta is 1.
- When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- The ILCA-NA Masters handicap system will be used to determine the overall series winner. For each race counted in the competitor's final score, the following points will be added: Apprentices, 3 points; Masters, 2 points; Grand Masters, 1 point; Great Grand Masters, 0 points. The competitor's overall score will be the sum of his or her included finishes plus his or her total handicap points.
- Divisional positions are determined by extraction from the overall results without re-scoring.
- When two or more competitors are tied on points, the tie shall be broken as follows:
 Within an age division, a tie will be broken as described in Appendix A, Section A8.
 Across the age divisions, a tie will be broken in favour of the sailor from the older division.
- The number of prizes will be adjusted to suit the number of competitors pre-registered in each division. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

9. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, & PERSONAL CONDUCT

- Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk (see Rule 4, Decision to Race). The
 organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death
 sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- Competitors will accept full responsibility for all their actions during any activity related to this
 event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

10. FURTHER INFORMATION

- The regatta is being held at Sturgeon Point in Ontario's cottage country. Local motels and restaurants are a 10 to 20 minute drive from the club. As a result, we are opening our cottages and our community to the Masters. We will provide a place for you to sleep; we will provide all your meals; and most of all we will provide our hospitality. Just ask anyone who has been to our bi-annual Mid-Ontario Open regatta.
- o For more information, please contact masters@slsc.ca