

2010 Laser Radial All Japan Sailing Championship

2010 Laser 4.7 All Japan Sailing Championship

19 to 22 November 2010

Wakayama, Japan

The Organizing Authority is

Japan Laser Class Association, Wakayama Sailing Federation, Wakayama Sailing Club

SAILING INSTRUCTION

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. (2005-2008)(RRS) However, what was changed by this sailing instruction, among these rules is removed. If there is a conflict between languages for these sailing instructions, Japanese text will prevail.
- 1.2. Appendix P will apply.
- 1.3. Add to RRS A11: ARB means "scoring penalty after arbitration", PTS means "scoring penalty for a yellow flag after finish"
- 1.4. The organizing authority may require competing boats to carry event sponsor advertising on the hull.

2. FLEET IDENTIFICATION

- 2.1. While racing each boat shall display a colored band corresponding to the fleet to which she has been assigned. The band shall be placed on her bottom section between the vang fitting and the boom.
- 2.2. Each competitor shall, before going afloat each day, collect their band at the sign off. When return to shore each day, shall return their band at the sign on.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the race office on the front door of the Wakayama Sailing centre club house.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole at the front of the Wakayama Sailing Centre club house.
- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 5.3. Flag AP over V (which may be flown over a fleet flag) means 'A boat shall not go afloat until this signal is cancelled.

6. FORMAT OF RACING

6.1. When number of the participation boats is 60 or less, one fleet performs a race.

6.2. When number of the participation boat is over 61, the fleet will be divided in to groups and will sail qualifier and final series.

6.3. Qualifying series

(a) In the qualifying series boats will be assigned to 4 groups Yellow, Blue, Red and Black of, as nearly as possible, equal size and ability. For each race, 2 Groups are combined to form a fleet on a round -robin base. Reassignments after the race day 2 will be made as follows.

Rank in Series	Group Assignment
First	Yellow Group
Second	Blue Group
Third	Red Group
Fourth	Black Group
Fifth	Black Group
Sixth	Red Group
Seventh	Blue Group
Eight	Yellow Group
And so on	

(b) Assignments will be based on the ranking available at 1900 that day regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided. When the race is not completed, this re-assigned is not performed.

(c) If a race has not been completed for either of the two fleets by the end of the day, or is abandoned after the finish, the race for the other fleet shall be abandoned. This alters RRS 32 (Shortening or Abandoning after the Start).

6.4. Final series

(a) The Qualifying series will conclude after second racing day if 3 or more qualifying races have been completed by all qualifying groups,

(b) Boats will be assigned to final-series fleets Gold and Silver, on the basis of their rank in the qualifying-series. The final-series fleets will have, as nearly as possible, equal size but so that the Silver fleets is not larger than the Gold fleet. Boat with the best qualifying-series will race all final-series races in the Gold fleet, Boat with the next-best qualifying-series ranks will race in the Silver fleet.

(c) Any recalculation of qualifying-series scores after boats have been assigned to final-series fleets will not affect the assignments except that a redress decision may promote a boat to a higher fleet.

6.5. Different final-series fleets need not have completed the same number of final races.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND PROGRAMME

Friday 19 November 1000-1700 Registration/Measurement

Saturday 20, November, 0800-1000 Registration/ Measurement

Saturday 20, November, 1000-1030 Opening Ceremonies/Skippers Meeting

1125 1st warning signal 3 RACES

Sunday 21, November, 0955 1st warning signal 3 RACES

Monday 22, November, 0955 1st warning signal 3 RACES

1600 Prize Giving

7.1. There will be a coaches and competitors meeting each racing day at 0800 front of the race office starting from Sunday 21 November

7.2. On the Monday 23 November, No warning signal will be made after 1400.

7.3. When a two or more race advance is not carried out from schedule of races, and the one additional race may be performed per day.

7.4. When flag L is displayed on the finish boat. That means 'the warning signal for the next race will be made as soon as practicable'.

8. CLASS FLAGS AND STARTING ORDER

8.1. The class flag for Radial class will be each group and fleet will be a color flag corresponding to the group and fleet color. And for the 4.7 class will be red 4.7 class insignia on Yellow back ground.

8.2. The 4.7 class may be start after Radial classes.

8.3. Starting order for Radial classes will be made as follows:

Qualifying-Series

Race	Start Sequence	Groups
1	1	Yellow/Blue
1	2	Red/Black
2	1	Yellow/ Red
2	2	Blue/ Black
3	1	Blue/ Red
3	2	Yellow / Black
4	1	Red/Black
4	2	Yellow/Blue

Final-Series (for all races)

1	Gold
2	Silver

9. THE COURSES

9.1. Attached 1 shows the approximate plan of the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on

which each mark is to be left.

9.2. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

9.3. The course to be sailed will be signaled by displaying a numeral pennant on the race committee signal boat before or with the warning signal.

As follows:

Numeral Pennant 1: Start-1-2-3-2-3-Finish

Numeral Pennant 2: Start-1-4-1-2-3-Finish

9.4. The length of the course will be set for a target time of 70 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be ground for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)

9.5. Courses will not be shortened unless at least 4 legs have been completed. This changes rule 62.1(a)

10. MARKS

10.1. Mark 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be blue cylindrical inflated buoy.

10.2. New marks, as provided in instruction 13.1, will be Orange cylindrical inflated buoy.

10.3. The starting marks will be a race committee signal boat on starboard and an Orange triangle buoy on port.

10.5. The finishing marks will be a race committee boat on starboard and an orange triangle buoy on port.

11. THE START

11.1. Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2. The starting line will be between course sides of the staffs displaying orange flags on the start mark on starboard and the start mark on port.

11.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

11.4. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1

12. STARTING PENALTIES

12.1. Standard Penalty Rule

Unless a black flag is displayed with the preparatory signal, the following rule will apply to all starts (this changes rule 29)

If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is identified with in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and Mark 1 during the minute before her starting signal, she will be disqualified from that start without a hearing.

12.2. Black Flag Rule

RRS 30.3 is supplemented as follows:

Sail numbers will be displayed for at least 3 minutes. A long sound signal will be made when the numbers are initially displayed. A boat whose number is so displayed shall leave the racing area, defined in instruction 12.3, before the new preparatory signal. If she fails to do so, she will be scored DNE.

12.3. Race Area

Before the starting signal, the racing area is the area within 100 meters of the starting line. After the starting signal, the racing area is the area within an imaginary line drawn 100 meters outside any point where a boat might sail during normal racing and includes the area bounded by marks at all times when any boat of any fleet is still racing.

When the race committee decides that its application of rule 30.3 entitles a boat to redress under rule 62.1(a), it may give her redress by not displaying her sail number and not disqualifying her (change of rules 30.3, 60.2 and 63. 1).

13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEGS OF THE COURSE

13.1. To change the next leg of course, the race committee may move an existing mark or lay a new mark or move the finishing line and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

14. ABANDONING A RACE

14.1. Under rule 32.1, the race committee may abandon the race because of a major wind shift or irregular winds or when the wind speed drops below 5 knots. A competitor may not request redress because of action or no action by the race committee under this instruction. This changes rule 60.1(b)

15. THE FINISH

15.1. The finishing line will be between course side of staff displaying an orange flag on starboard and finish mark on port.

16. PENALTY SYSTEM

16.2. On the first protest from Instruction Appendix P, if protested after she has finished, she will given a scoring penalty of 10% points without a hearing.

17. TIME LIMIT

17.1. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in her fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes Rule 35.

18. PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

18.1. Protest forms are available at the race office. Protest and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit which will begin as soon as practicable after the finish of the last boat. The end of protest time will be posted on the official notice board. The end of protest time is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day unless extended by protest committee. If a protest time is extended, the end of

protest time will be posted on the official notice board.

18.2. Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. Hearings will be held in the protest room.

18.3. Notice of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted before the end of the protest time to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).

18.4. A party to a hearing may not ask for a reopening of a previous day's protest after the close of protest time of the last schedule day, neither may they ask for a reopening of a protest any later than 15 minutes after receiving a verbal decision of a hearing on the last schedule day. This changes Rule 66.

18.5. Breaches of instructions 2.1, 5.3, 11.3, 26 and 30 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes Rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualified by the jury so decides.

18.6. A list of boats that, under the instruction 1.2 have been penalized for breaking rule 42 will be posted.

19. ARBITRATION SYSTEM

19.1. As an alternative to a complete protest hearing by the protest committee, competitors may be given the choice of using an arbitration system. A condition for this is that the parties present at the time scheduled for the hearing agree to accept the decision of the arbitrators. The arbitration system changes Rule 63 and 64.

19.2. The arbitrators will be two members of the jury. They will take the evidence of the parties and give their opinion as to any rule breaches. This opinion will be binding as a protest decision on the parties. However, the hearing may be reopened under rule 66. If a party to a hearing asks for a reopening, the penalty, if any, will be DSQ. If the arbitrators refer the case to the full jury, or the jury initiates a reopening, the penalty will be the penalty prescribed in instruction 19.3 or a greater penalty.

19.3. If the arbitrators penalize a boat, the penalty will be a scoring penalty of 30% (rounded up to the next whole number) of the number of entrants in the fleet.

19.4. If, at the time of offering the arbitration system to the parties, any of the parties refuse to accept the system, the protest will be heard by the full jury and the penalty score becomes DSQ or more (DNE).

20. WHISTLE SYSTEM

20.1. To encourage boats to take penalties afloat, protest committee members may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a breach of a rule.

21. SCORING

21.1. There will be up to 9 races (6 qualifying races, 3 final races). Total number of 2 races, consisting of the qualifying races completed and any final races completed by the Gold fleet, are required to constitute a regatta for all fleets.

21.2. The Low Point scoring system of Rule Appendix A will apply to the qualifying series. A boat's series score for the regatta will be the total of her race scores from those qualifying races and her final races.

21.3. The Low Point scoring system of Rule Appendix A will apply separately to each final-series fleet.

21.4. A boat's score in each series will be the total of race scores in the series, with her worst score discarded if 4 more races have been completed for the series.

21.5. If a points scoring penalty for a breach of Rule 42 or under the Arbitration System would result in a score worse than DSQ, the penalty will be that corresponding to DSQ. The scores of other boats will not be changed.

21.6. "Number of boats entered in a series" in Rule A4.2 will be modified to be "All other boats will be scored points one more than the total number of boats registered for the larger fleet in the race"

22. SAFETY REGULATIONS

22.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

23. BOAT AND EQUIPMENT

23.1. All competitors shall use only one hull, sail, mast, boom, centerboard and rudder which shall be identified during measurement.

23.2. Boats shall carry 5m or more of 6mm minimum diameter bowline with one end tied to bow eye.

23.3. In the event of damage, boats and equipment may only be substituted with the written permission of the Race Committee. If the damage occurs later than 90 minutes before the first scheduled start on a racing day, and before the start of the last race of the day, provisional verbal permission shall be obtained from the Regatta Measurer or Race Committee and the written permission of the Regatta Measurer shall be applied for before the end of Protest Time at the end of the day in which the substitution takes place.

24. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

24.1. All competitors shall present their boats for scrutiny by the Regatta Measurer inside of the following schedule.

Measurement will take place at the boat warehouse between following times:

Friday 19, November, 1500-1700

Saturday 20, November, 0800-1000

24.2. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

24.3. Wet clothing, measurement and equipment checks may be made throughout the Regatta at the discretion of the Race Committee.

25. OFFICIAL BOAT

25.1. Race official boat will display a white flag with the red letter RC.

25.2. Protest boat will display a white flag with the letters JURY.

26. SUPPORT BOAT

26.1. Team and support boats shall not be in the racing area during the period between the first warning signal of the first fleet in a race and the finish of the last boat in the last fleet of that race except when a postponement is signaled, in

which case they may be in the racing area until the first signal after the end of the postponement. The racing area is defined in instruction 12.3.

26.2. If a team or support boat does not comply with instruction 26. Penalty may be applied to some or all associated competitors.

26.3. Instruction 23.2 will not apply in rescue operations.

27. Spare

28. RUBBISH DISPOSAL

28.1. Boat shall not put rubbish in the water. Rubbish may be placed aboard jury and race committee boats.

29. BERTHING

29.1. Boats shall be kept in the boat park of Wakayama Sailing Centre during the regatta.

30. SAFETY

30.1. All competitors shall sign the 'Sign-out & Sign-in' form at the race office before going afloat each day. On returning ashore, competitors shall sign the form in person before protest time expires. Failure to comply with these requirements shall be grounds for disqualification from all races on the day or a 2000 yen fine may be imposed.

30.2. All competitors shall wear, at all time afloat, securely fastened, personal flotation devices.

30.3. Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should wave one arm with hand open. If no assistance is required, the arm should be waved with fist closed.

30.4. If considered necessary a competitor may be ordered by a race organization boat to abandon his or her boat and board a rescue boat.

31. RADIO COMMUNICATION

31.1. A boat shall neither make radio communications while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

32. PRIZES

32.1. The first competitor overall for each class will be awarded the title Laser Radial Rig All Japan Champion and the Laser 4.7 Rig All Japan Champion. Place prizes, including Laser cubes will be awarded for the first five competitors for Radial class and first competitor for 4.7 class by class rules.

33. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

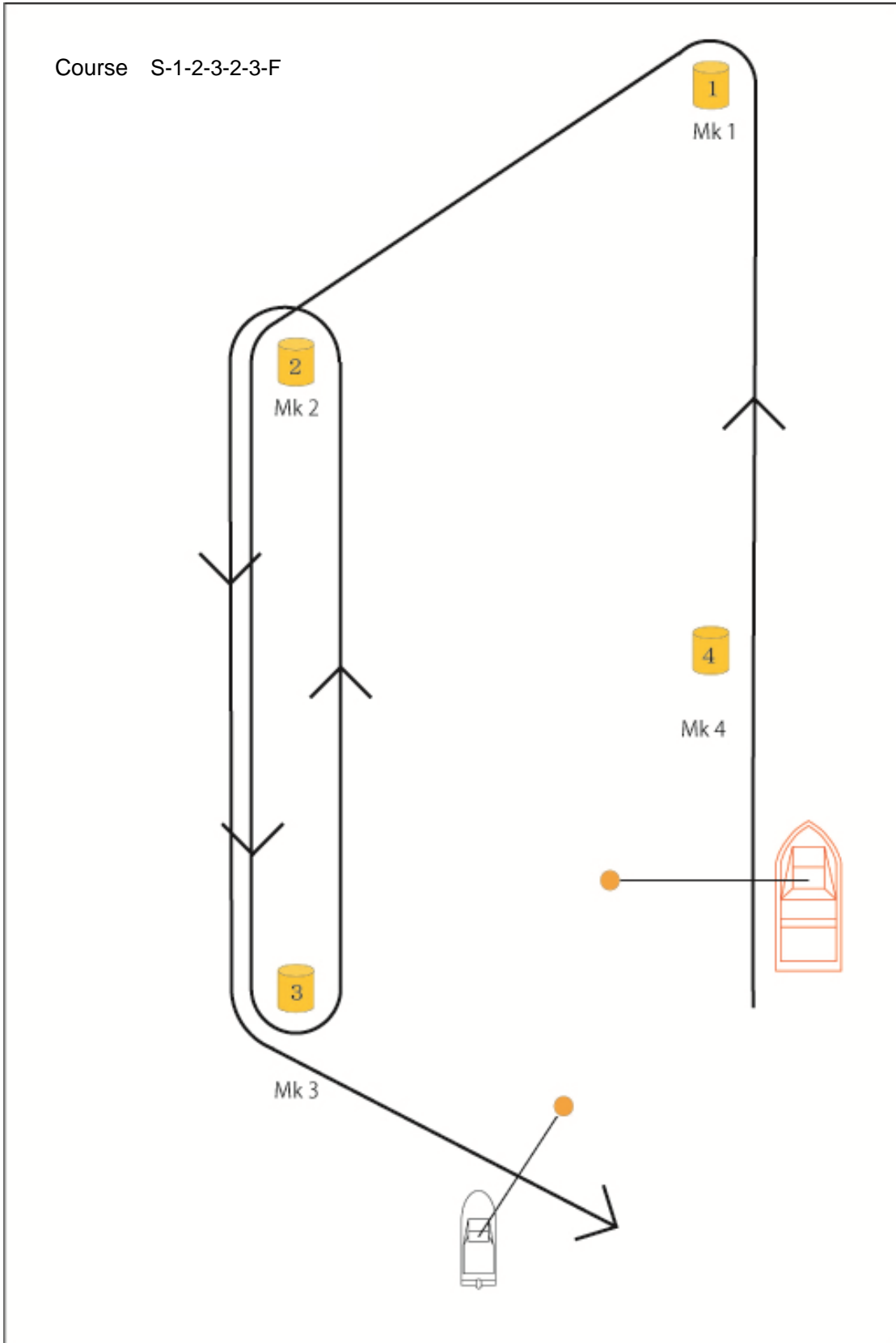
33.1. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. It is the sole responsibility of each sailor to decide to

participate in a race or to continue racing.

33.2. The establishment of the notice of race and the sailing instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of a competitor for the management of the boat he or she is sailing.

33.3. A competitor must be of good health and a competent sailor capable of sailing a Laser in strong winds. Personal accident and health insurance is the sole responsibility of each competitor.

Attachment 1 – 1 Numeral Pennant 1 (outer loop)



Attachment 1 – 2 Numeral Pennant 2 (inner loop)

