



GENERAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS 2015

International **Laser** UK Class Association



SPLIT-FLEET SUPPLEMENTARY (EXCEPT NATIONALS) (Iss 15/1)

16 **Division of fleet, if applicable**

16.1 Applicability

The race committee will decide if a fleet is to be divided into two, depending upon the numbers entering, the sailing conditions and the feasibility of race management to make the split. A *rough* guide to number of entries that might cause this SI to be invoked is 90 entrants (Preference is for a single fleet, ie un-split.)

16.2 Allocation into fleets

First day's sailing

The race committee will allocate each boat into one of four groups yellow, blue, red & green. All competitors who pre-enter will be allocated colours in order of the current Class Ladder, ie including the previous qualifier, a copy of which will be displayed of the Official Notice Board, group colours will be allocated in order to obtain as fair a grouping as possible. Those not pre-entered will be allocated a group at registration in an attempt to achieve roughly equal numbers in each. Yellow Group will include 'pre-entered ladder' positions 1, 8, 9 & 16, Blue 2, 7, 10 & 15, Red 3, 6, 11 & 14 and Green 4, 5, 12 & 13.

Second day's sailing

If two, or less, round-robin races are completed on the first day, then three round-robin races are scheduled for the Sunday using the Saturday groups.

If three round-robin races are completed on Saturday, then, from the results of the first day's sailing, the race committee will allocate each boat into one of two fleets. The Gold fleet will consist of the top half of the first day's results and the Silver fleet the lower half. Boat tied at the split RRS. A8 is applied. If there is an odd boat this will sail in the Gold fleet.

16.3 Flight identification

First day's sailing

Each boat in each group shall display the appropriate coloured band yellow, blue, red, or green around the mast at its base.

Second day's sailing

Gold fleet boats shall display a yellow band around the mast at its base and Silver fleet boats a blue band.

Coloured bands will be available in the race office before racing and it is up to each competitor to make sure he/she takes the correct colour.

16.4 Group and Fleet signals

When the fleet is split into four groups, the warning signals will be yellow, blue, red & green

When the fleet is split into two fleets, the warning signals will be:

Gold fleet Yellow flag

Silver fleet Blue flag

(The Radial Class Flag should not be used.)

16.5 Starts

Only one flight shall be started in any one start sequence.

Group starts

Race Number	1st Start/flight	2nd Start/flight
1	Yellow & Blue	Red & Green
2	Yellow & Red	Blue & Green
3	Yellow & Green	Blue & Red
4	Red & Green	Yellow and Blue
5	Blue & Green	Yellow & Red

Fleet starts

It is intended that the Gold fleet will start before the Silver fleet

16.6 Scoring

Group races

Scoring will be as RRS Low Points. A boat that is DNC, DNF, RTD, DSQ & BFD shall be scored one more than the sum of the entrants of the two largest groups. This changes RRS A4.2.

Fleet Races

RRS A4.2 is deleted and replaced by: A boat that did not start, did not finish, retired after finishing or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the fleet in which racing.

The results of the Silver fleet will continue on from the Gold fleet to give an overall result, which will be carried forward to the ladder.

16.7 These Sailing Instructions shall not be amended without the express authority of the Hon Sailing Secretary of UKLA. Unauthorised amendments shall be null and void.