



**7th Caribbean Laser Midwinter
PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE
January 16th to 18th, 2009
Cabarete, Dominican Republic**



Dates

January 16th, 17th, and 18th, 2009

Location

Cabarete, Dominican Republic, on the Atlantic Ocean.

Organizing Authority

The event is being organized by The Laser Training Center Cabarete, at the Carib Wind Center.

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Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

Identification and Advertising

Boats may be required to display identification numbers and event sponsor advertisement in compliance with Appendix 1, Regulation 20.3.1(d).

Athletes may be required to wear bibs provided by the organizing authority.

Eligibility and Entry

Open to any Laser Sailor who is a member in good standing of their own National Sailing Authority.

Classes

There will be competition in the following classes:

**Laser Standard,
Laser Radial
Laser 4.7**

Registration

The individual Registrations shall be received by Organizing Committee Office from participating individuals by midnight (AST) on **January 15th, 2009**. Participants shall agree to be bound by the *RRS* and by all other *rules* that govern this event.

Both Entry by Number and Entry by Name are to be sent to:

E-MAIL: info@caribwind.com

TEL. 809-571 0640

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On Site Registration

Athletes, coaches and team leaders shall complete on-site registration form at the race office from 4:00 PM to 6PM Thursday January 15th, 2009 and from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Friday January 16th, 2009.

Registration fee: \$80.00

Measurement

Only one set of Sails will be accepted for the duration of the race, except in Master category in which sailors can switch between sail sizes, in which case they only will be scored in the master category. Master must announce upon registration if they intend to switch rigs.

Boats may be inspected at any time, for violation of class rules.

Race Schedule

The event will consist of a maximum of 9 races. The scheduled start for the first race on the first day is 1200 hrs (AST).

The complete program is as follows:

Month	Date	Day	Activity	Time
January	16	Friday	On site registration	8:00-10:00
	16	Friday	Skippers Meeting	10:30
	16	Friday	First Start of the day	12:00
January	17	Saturday	First start of the day	12:00
January	18	Sunday	First start of the day	11:30

Courses

The competition will be conducted on Windward Leeward courses.

Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available at the Laser Training Center, no later than 0800hr on January 16th, 2009.

Scoring

The low point scoring system (Rule A2) will apply, modified so that each boat's score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score discarded if five or more races have been completed. A minimum of 3 races are required to constitute a series.

* Master overall winner will be determined in a handicap system, in which the Apprentice Mater sailors will receive three (3) additional points to each of their heat result, **Master** sailors will receive two (2) additional points to each of their heat results, **Grand Master** will receive one (1) and **Great Grand Masters** zero (0) points.

Prizes

\$5,000.00 in cash will be given as follows:

- 1st place overall Standard \$1,750.00
- 2nd place overall Standard \$1,250.00
- 3rd place overall Standard \$1,000.00

Amendment 14/08/08; the prize money is given to encourage sailors on campaign. To win cash, sailor has to be between the ages of 18 and 35 years old, and not have any junior, or master sailor ahead of him in the overall result. Money not given this year will be added to next year's prizes.

- 1st place Overall Master \$1000.00
- 1st place Radial \$300.00 Dakine dollars.
- 1st place 4.7 \$100.00 Dakine dollars.

Top finishers in each category will receive a trophy.

Right to use name and likeness

By participating in the Caribbean Laser Midwinter Regatta, an Athlete automatically grants to the organizing authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of competition without compensation.

Disclaimer of Liability

Athletes participate in the regatta entirely 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.

Boat Charter

Limited number of race boats with blades, spars, and dollies are available at a price of \$375.00 for the entire regatta for bookings made by October 31st, 2008. Charters made after November 1st are \$475.00. All boats are in perfect racing condition.

Amendment 11/25/08. No more boats are available, requests are put on a waiting list.

Accommodation

The following hotels are all within walking distance from the race site:

La Punta Apart Hotel www.lapuntacabarete.com (Basic, Ocean front)

Velero Beach Resort www.velerobeach.com

El Magnifico www.hotelmagnifico.com (De Luxe, Ocean front apartments)

Organizers will be happy to assist with hotel bookings.

Title Sponsor

Amendment 12/20/08. Palmera de Cabarete www.palmera-dr.com is our Title sponsor. The developers of the Palmera de cabarete have one vision: Creating a resort unrivaled in the Dominican Republic's North coast.

For additional information about Travel, Accommodation, Charter, Full Schedule, Facilities, Venue, Weather, Services, etc.

Please contact Judy: info@caribwind.com