



Dillon Open Regatta
Dillon Yacht Club (Organizing Authority)
August 21 - 23, 2026
Dillon, Colorado (USA)

Notice of Race (NoR)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 60.1.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. All boats shall comply with the State Aquatic Nuisance Species Act.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on the official notice board (<https://dillonyachtclub.com/regatta/yXO66ugZn0/#notice-board>) no later than August 15, 2026.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board will be online, located at <https://dillonyachtclub.com/regatta/yXO66ugZn0/#notice-board>
- 3.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 16, 68, 71, and 72.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4. The race committee (RC) may report all visual signals displayed by the RC and report OCS boats after the start on the courtesy channel. Information reported by the RC is provided as a courtesy to competitors. The failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- 3.5. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all Keelboats, Junior Sailors, and Centerboard boats. All racing will take place in the main portion of the lake, utilizing a single race committee.
- 4.2. Fleet/Class racing will be available to those Classes registering 5 or more boats.
- 4.3. Classes not able to form a fleet will race in their appropriate PHRF or Portsmouth division.
- 4.4. PHRF Classes and/or One Design Classes may be started together but will be scored separately.
- 4.5. Online entry forms and fees must be received no later than August 18, 2026. Walk up registration is available at Regatta headquarters or Dillon Yacht Club during posted Registration Check-In hours. Regatta packages and sailing instructions will be available at registration starting at 4:00 PM, August 21, 2026.
- 4.6. Please register online via Clubspot, located at: <https://dillonyachtclub.com/regatta/yXO66ugZn0>



5. FEES

5.1. Required fees are per yacht as follows:

Category	Early Entry Fees through 7/31/26	Entry Fees After 8/1/26
Keelboat; US Sailing Member	\$125	\$175
Keelboat; Non-US Sailing Member	\$150	\$200
Dinghy; 16' or less	\$62.5	\$87.5
Juniors (18yrs old and under)	\$25	\$25
Dillon Open Regatta Visitor Crane/Launch Fee*	\$30	\$30

Please note that food and beverages Friday and Saturday are not included with registration. Sunday pizza after racing is included, courtesy of our sponsors. Drink wristbands will be available for sale at registration for alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks and are good for the entire weekend. It is highly recommended to pre-purchase dinner tickets and drink wristbands during registration in advance.

**Due to unseasonably low water levels at Lake Dillon this season — which are not expected to recover significantly — crane access may be limited or unavailable. The boat ramp is expected to remain operational, as it is designed to accommodate water levels up to 50 feet below normal, within the current forecast range. Boats able to launch via trailer/boat ramp may incur a launch fee. Competitors requiring crane launch should contact Dillon Marina directly to confirm availability, single-attachment lift requirements, and any vessel-specific specifications before arriving on site.*

6. ADVERTISING

6.1. Boats are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event.

6.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA), e.g., bow stickers, bow numbers, boom stickers, and/or flags.

6.3. At the discretion of the OA, bow numbers may also be required for some classes.

7. SCHEDULE:

Date	Time	Item
Friday, August 21	1600-2000	Early Registration & DYC Open House
Saturday, August 22	0830-1000	Late Registration
	1030	Opening Ceremonies / Skipper's Meeting
	1130	Harbor Gun
	1200	First Warning



Sunday, August 23	1030	Harbor Gun
	1100	First Warning
	1700	No Warning after this Time
		Awards Presentation to follow

For additional schedule details, including food and drink, social events, and spectator boat information please visit <https://dillonopen.com/schedule>.

7.1. It is the intent of the Race Committee to complete as many races as practical each day.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1. Boats racing in the PHRF Fleet shall have a current Sailing Association of Intermountain Lakes (SAIL) PHRF certificate. Boats not holding a valid PHRF certificate shall purchase from SAIL PHRF a certificate with the rating to be used for the event before the end of registration. Annual Certificates, which include membership to SAIL are \$20, or a temporary one-regatta certificate is \$5, can be purchased during check-in. For non-SAIL PHRF members, ratings will be determined by the OA. PHRF ratings are available on the SAIL website.

8.2. Temporary PHRF ratings for non-SAIL members will be assigned by the organizing authority for this event and are not subject to appeal.

8.3. [NP] Boats registered under the PHRF rating system will be divided into fleets and each fleet shall display the identifying streamer provided in their registration packet. Failure to fly this streamer may result in a protest only from the Race Committee and the penalty will be a 20% scoring penalty for any race in which the violation occurs.

9. VENUE

9.1. The racing area will be in the main portion of Lake Dillon.

10. COURSES

10.1. Courses and marks will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1. US Sailing prescription App V shall apply.

11.2. A lesser penalty than disqualification (which may include no penalty) may be given at the discretion of the protest committee for an infringement of Rules other than the Rules of Part 2, RRS Rule 2, 28 or 31. This changes RRS 60.5(c).

12. SCORING

12.1. RRS 90.3 (e) shall be in effect for this event, 24 hours is changed to 7 days. This changes RRS 90.3 (e).

12.2. Eight (8) races are scheduled for the event.

12.3. A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

12.4. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

13. FACILITIES

13.1. Dillon and Frisco Bay Marinas have overnight slips, showers and restrooms that are available to all regatta participants and guests. Small boats may launch and utilize the Dillon Beach adjacent to the



launch ramp. Please contact the Dillon Marina office at (970) 468-5100 or the Frisco Marina office at 970-668-4334 for slip availability. Trailer storage will be provided by the Town of Dillon and designated at the time of check in by obtaining a trailer permit at no charge from the Dillon Marina office. It is highly recommended to this in advance, as in 2026 due to unprecedented water levels in Lake Dillon there may be limited availability.

14. PRIZES

14.1. First, second and third place trophies will be awarded in each class with 5 or more boats.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

15.2. The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property, the breach of reasonable standards of good sportsmanship by any crew member, or any other person associated with the boat, or the failure of any of those persons to comply with the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authorities, Race Officers, Regatta Committee members, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

15.3. THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY, DILLON YACHT CLUB, DILLON MARINA, RACE COMMITTEE, PROTEST COMMITTEE, SPONSORS, AND VENUE (COLLECTIVELY, "RACE ORGANIZERS") WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE OR LIABLE FOR ANY ACTION, CLAIM, LIABILITY, LOSS, DAMAGE, ACCIDENT OR INJURY (INCLUDING BODILY INJURY, PERSONAL INJURY, PERMANENT DISABILITY, AND DEATH) (COLLECTIVELY, "DAMAGES") TO ANY PERSON, PROPERTY OR BOAT (i) SUSTAINED IN CONJUNCTION WITH OR PRIOR TO, DURING, OR AFTER EACH RACE; OR (ii) ARISING, RELATING OR RESULTING FROM USE OF RACE FACILITIES OR PARTICIPATION IN A RACE OR ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW. BY PARTICIPATING, EACH PARTICIPANT (AND IN THE CASE OF CHILDREN AND MINORS, EACH PARTICIPANT'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN) FOREVER RELEASES, DISCHARGES AND WAIVES ANY AND ALL ACTIONS, SUITS AND CLAIMS WHATSOEVER AGAINST RACE ORGANIZERS FOR ANY DAMAGES TO ANY PERSON, PROPERTY OR BOAT (I) SUSTAINED IN CONJUNCTION WITH OR PRIOR TO, DURING, OR AFTER EACH RACE; OR (II) ARISING, RELATING OR RESULTING FROM USE OF RACE FACILITIES OR PARTICIPATION IN A RACE OR ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW. PARTICIPANT FURTHER RELEASES ALL RACE ORGANIZERS FROM ALL DAMAGES WHATSOEVER ON ACCOUNT OF ANY OF THEM GIVING ASSISTANCE, AID, CARE, ADVICE, RESCUE, FIRST AID, TREATMENT OR SERVICES.



16. INSURANCE

16.1. [DP] All boats must maintain Liability Insurance in full force and effect during *racing* which will include a General Liability policy written by a reputable insurance company insuring the owner and any operators against liability for bodily injury in limits of not less than \$300,000 and for property damage of not less than \$100,000. Each boat will present proof of insurance upon OA's request.

17. PUBLICITY & PHOTOGRAPHERS RIGHTS

17.1. As a condition of participation, each participant (on behalf of him/herself and their children/minors) grant RACE ORGANIZERS, sponsors and their designated photographers the perpetual, irrevocable right, license and permission to use, publish and distribute the participant's name, photos, video, images, finishes, results, and statements of them and their boat and crew in all forms and media worldwide (including without limitation Internet) for any purposes whatsoever (including without limitation advertisements, promotions, public sale of pictures, etc.) without compensation or further permission.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1. Contact info@dillonyachtclub.com for more information.