



Octoberfest Regatta

September 12th and 13th, 2026

Notice of Race

Sail Sand Point
7861 62nd Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98115

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, including the prescriptions of US Sailing, as modified by the [2026 NWYRC Notice of Series](#), this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Class rules shall be observed and enforced by the competitors, except that competitors may use a “club sail” in place of a class-approved sail, provided it is of the same size, shape, material, and construction.

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to boats of the C420 (spin & trap), FJ (non-spin), Laser/ILCA (Full, Radial, 4.7/ILCA 7, 6, 4), and Optimist (Red, White, Blue, and Green) classes whose sailors meet the eligibility criteria defined in the [NWYRC Notice of Series](#).
 - 2.1.1 Please note the Green Fleet eligibility requirements.
- 2.2 Fleets must have three (3) boats registered by Wednesday, September 9th to qualify for a start.
- 2.3 All sailors must be members of the 2026 NWYRC. [Click here to join the 2026 NWYRC](#).
- 2.4 For the safety of everyone and their enjoyment, Green Fleeters are expected to understand the basics of racing and do the following:
 - 2.4.1 Remain calm when a capsize occurs, are able to independently climb back into their boat and bail.
 - 2.4.2 Rig/de-rig in under 15 minutes.
 - 2.4.3 Consistently use the tiller extension correctly.
 - 2.4.4 Sail upwind for 10 minutes.
 - 2.4.5 Trim the sail appropriately at a basic level while using the tiller extension.
 - 2.4.6 Jibe with confidence and control.
 - 2.4.7 Understand and follows BASIC right of way rules.
 - 2.4.8 Sail around marks for a race where it will take the first place sailor 20 minutes to finish.

3 REGISTRATION & ENTRY

- 3.1 Competitors must register in advance at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/fYHtttVpkA/#notice-board>. Registration and online payment will be accepted up until 16:00 on Friday, September 11th, but we encourage all competitors to register in advance.

- 3.2 For doublehanded classes: The skipper shall register the team. At the time of registration, the skipper must provide the name and contact information for their crew. Crews (or their parents) will then be sent a link to complete registration and sign waiver forms.
- 3.3 An entry fee of \$65 for singlehanded classes and \$130 for doublehanded classes shall be collected online in advance of the regatta. The entry fee for Opti Green Fleet is \$30.
- 3.4 A late fee of \$20 will be added starting Wednesday, September 9th.
- 3.5 Refunds will be given, minus a 10% processing fee until Wednesday, September 9th.
- 3.6 No refunds will be issued for requests made on Wednesday, September 9th or later.
- 3.7 The entry fee includes a taco dinner ticket on Saturday night as well as a commemorative mug for each sailor. Additional dinner tickets may be purchased in advance on Clubspot for \$10.
- 3.8 Additional dinner tickets and mugs may be purchased Saturday evening while supplies last.

4 SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 12th, 2026		Sunday, September 13th, 2026	
0900 - 1030	Regatta Check-in	0900 - 1000	Rigging & Launching
1000	Safety/Support Boat Meeting outside of SSP Office	0930	Safety/Support Boat Meeting
1030	Competitors Meeting outside of SSP Office Green Fleet Competitors Meeting to follow immediately after	1000	Green Fleet Competitors Meeting
1200	First Warning	1100	First Warning
	Racing to continue throughout the day	1530	No starts after this time Green Fleet Awards
1800 (approx.)	Dinner	1730	ILCA/c420/FJ/Championship Fleet Awards and Summer Series Awards

*Any changes to the schedule above will be directly communicated to competitors 24 hours prior to said change.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be posted online on Friday, September 11th. No printed copies will be made available. The notice of race, sailing instructions, and any amendments will be posted on the regatta notice board, which will be located on the north side of the SSP office.

6 RACING AREA

- 6.1 Race courses will be located in northern Lake Washington, roughly due east of Sail Sand Point. The exact racing area will depend on weather conditions with further details provided at the competitors' meeting.
- 6.2 Opti Championship and ILCA fleets will be on Alpha Course.
- 6.3 FJ and c420 fleets will be on Bravo Course.

- 6.4 Opti Green fleet will be on Green Course. The Opti Green Course will be located near the beach directly east of the SSP office. Green Fleet sailors will have their own competitors' meeting each morning, a later departure, a mid-racing break, and earlier return to shore.

7 NUMBER OF RACES

- 7.1 For all classes, with the exception of Opti Green Fleet, ten (10) races are scheduled for the regatta, conditions permitting. The race committee will not attempt more than seven (7) races per fleet on any single day.
- 7.2 A minimum of one race shall constitute a regatta.

8 SCORING

- 8.1 This regatta shall be scored in accordance with Appendix A.
- 8.2 When five (5) or more races are completed, a competitor's worst score shall be excluded. When ten (10) or more races are completed, a competitor's two (2) worst scores shall be excluded.

9 SUPPORT & SPECTATOR BOATS

- 9.1 Except in the case of emergencies, Green fleet, and coaches helping the back 25% of each fleet as needed, support and spectator boats must remain a distance of 75 feet from the racing area at all times and shall not cause significant wake in the racing area.
- 9.2 Support and spectator boats must carry a working VHF radio at all times. Support and spectator boats shall provide assistance to competitors if so directed by the race committee.
- 9.3 Alpha Course will use VHF channel 69.
- 9.4 Bravo Course will use VHF channel 71.
- 9.5 Green fleet will use VHF channel 72.
- 9.6 A coach will be provided for Green Fleet competitors on the water. Coaches on the Green Fleet course should help with all competitors.
- 9.7 Coach and support boats shall wear a kill switch at all times when operating near the racecourse, towing competitors, or providing coaching between races.

10 SAFETY

- 10.1 Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved Type III personal flotation device (PFD) while on the water other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing.
- 10.2 Single handed boats shall carry a bow line of at least 20' and double handed boats shall carry a bow line of at least 30' which is to remain affixed to a tow point at all times while racing.
- 10.3 Competitors voluntarily participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk (see RRS 4 "Decision to Race").

11 BOAT LAUNCHING & STORAGE

- 11.1 Non-motorized boats may launch at the Public Hand Launch Boat Ramp located in Magnuson Park next to Sail Sand Point.
- 11.2 Support boats may be launched from the Magnuson Park Boat Launch located in the southern end of Magnuson Park (7400 Sand Point Way NE).
- 11.2 Competitors' boats may be stored in the Sail Sand Point boat yard on Friday and Saturday night in an area designated by SSP. Support boats may be docked on the Sail Sand Point docks overnight.
- 11.3 Trailers may be stored over Friday and Saturday night in a designated area of the parking lot.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Awards will be given for first through third places in each class and to all Green Fleet racers.
- 12.2 Overall awards presentation for the 2026 NWYRC Summer series shall take place immediately after the awards ceremony for this regatta.

13 LODGING

Contact the regatta chair for lodging information.

14 CHARTERS

Charters may be available for the c420, FJ, and Optimist (Green fleet) classes. Contact the regatta chair for availability.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact the regatta chair:

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