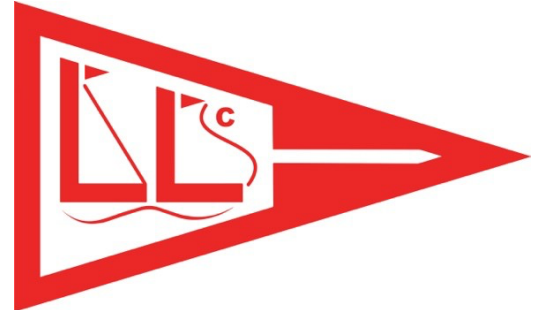




LLSC Halloween Open Regatta October 24-25, 2026

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organizing Authority (OA):

Lake Lanier Sailing Club www.LLSC.com

6206 Commodore Drive Flowery Branch, GA 30542

Preamble *The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.*

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the NOR for this event.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 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 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2 Changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water by hail via VHF on the PHRF course and by voice on the Portsmouth/ Dinghy course from the Signal Boat under code flag "L" in accordance with RRS 90.2 (c). Changes shall be made before the warning signal.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://llsc.com/regatta/tRS1mhz5UF/#notice-board>. The LLSC Clubhouse

notice board at the club is a courtesy and missing or incorrect posted information is not grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b).

- 3.2 [NP] [DP] All keel boats and all dinghies normally sailed with more than one person shall carry a working VHF radio capable of communicating on standard channels.
- 3.3 [NP] The race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. Keelboat Circle will be on Channel 69. Dinghy Circle will be on Channel 72.
- 3.4 [NP] [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency or in answer to a hail on the course VHF channel from the Race Committee, a boat shall not make any VHF radio transmissions.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the LLSC RC barge and as a courtesy at the LLSC Flagpole.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 See NOR 6.1 for complete schedule including social activities.

Saturday October 24	0800-0915 Check in 0800-0915 Complementary Breakfast 1000 Competitor Meeting- All circles 1130 PHRF / Portsmouth Dinghy circles warning signal 1200 All Jr circles warning signal 1700 Social hour/Hayride/Trick or Treating 1800 Jr Costume Contest 1830 Dinner served + Silent Disco Party 2000 Adult Costume contest
Sunday October 25	0800-0915 Complimentary breakfast 1000 PHRF/ Portsmouth dinghy circles 1 st Warning 1030 All Junior circles 1 st warning signal. 1300 No warning after this time 1430 Awards pending protests

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 There will be 4 different circles.

Circle 1: Keelboat-PHRF/OD,

Circle 2: Portsmouth/One Design Dinghy, Multihull

Circle 3: Optimist Red/White/Blue, C420

Circle 4: Optimist Green/ Open Skiff

6.2 Circle 1 – Possible Keelboat/ PHRF course Classes

Class	Description	LLPHRF Rating	Start Order	Flag
Fleet 1	Low PHRF	< 149	Displayed on Barge	
Fleet 2	High PHRF	>150	Displayed on Barge	
Fleet 3	One Design Keelboat		Displayed on Barge	
Fleet 4	PHRF Non-Spin	Any	Displayed on Barge	

6.3 Circle 2 – Possible Portsmouth/ Dinghy Course, Juniors

Class	Start Order	Flag
OneDesign Multihull/Dinghy fleet	Displayed on Barge	One Design fleet flag
Portsmouth fleet	Displayed on Barge	Yellow

6.4 Circle 3- Opti Red/White/Blue, C420

Class	Start Order	Flag
C420	Displayed on barge	Pink
Opti Red/White/Blue	Displayed on barge	Opti flag

6.5 Circle 4 - Opti Green Fleet / Open Skiff

Class	Start Order	Flag
Optimist Green	Displayed on barge	Green Flag
Open skiff	Displayed on barge	Purple flag

6.6 The RC may combine, or split Fleet starts at its discretion. Any changes will be indicated on the course board and communicated via VHF radio or hailed to competitors with the L flag raised.

7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be in Lake Lanier waters to the south and west of LLSC. Approximate start locations for each course will be indicated at the Competitor meetings. See NOR Attachment 1.

8 COURSES

8.1 Circle 1 Keelboat-PHRF/OD will sail courses using a combination of Corps of Engineers permanent marks, LARC permanent marks, tetrahedrons and the LLSC Flagpole. The course for each Class will be written on the board on the back of the RC barge.

8.2 Circles 2, 3 and 4 Courses are shown in SI Appendix B.
The RC will write the course to be sailed on the whiteboard on the back of the Signal Boat.

9 MARKS

9.1 Mark(s) on Circle 1 (Keelboat) courses will be a combination of Corps of Engineers permanent marks, LARC permanent marks, tetrahedrons and the LLSC Flagpole except temporary marks will be a green tetrahedron. The starting mark will either be a LARC permanent mark or a small orange tetrahedron.

9.2 A temporary mark may be placed in the vicinity of a Corps of Engineers or LARC permanent mark if the mark is missing or the water is too shallow at the mark. It will be designated as Mark letter or number – T.

9.3 Marks on Circle 2 (Dinghy) courses will be yellow tetrahedron for long distance course weather mark and orange tetrahedron from shorter distance course. The start mark will be a red or yellow ball. The leeward marks will be green tetrahedrons.

9.4 Marks on Circle 3 and 4 (Juniors) will be round "hippity hop" balls.

10 OBSTRUCTIONS

10.1 The boundaries of the Dinghy and Junior Courses are designated obstruction(s).

11 THE START

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

- 11.2 The starting line is between a halyard or staff displaying an orange flag on the port side of the Signal Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark. In case of wind direction, shallow waters or obstructions, the RC may use the opposite side.
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.4 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. 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 redress for request. This changes RRS 61.4(b).
- 11.5 A boat that does not start on Circles 1 and 2 within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 On circles 2,3, & 4 the RC may adjust the original mark of the next leg up to plus or minus 25 degrees to accommodate wind shifts with no mark change signals or sounds required. This changes RRS 33.
- 12.2 On circle 1, in the interest of finishing a race in a timely manner in light or dying winds, the race committee may change the next leg(s) of the course by using one or both of the following methods [This changes RRS 33]:
- a. Place a rescue boat at a rounding mark or gate mark, prior to the first boat reaching it, with a "C" flag making repetitive sounds and a course board with the new Mark/ Course designation.
 - b. In the absence of a rescue boat, the signal boat shall make a VHF radio hail to competitors informing the competitors of any course changes.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line is between a halyard or staff displaying a blue flag on the starboard side of the Signal Boat and a mark starboard of that except in the case of a finish between the LLSC Flagpole and F mark, the blue flag will be on the port side of the finish line and the finishing mark F will be on the starboard side. In case of wind direction, shallow waters or obstructions, the RC may use the opposite side.
- 13.2 In the interest of starting another race in a timely fashion on multiple race days, the Race Committee may assign a finish position to the last finisher(s) in a one design division provided that the position(s) can be determined in a reasonable manner.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 The US Sailing Prescription Appendix V shall apply. See the wording for Appendix V in NOR Attachment 2.

15 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

15.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window for the Keelboat-PHRF/OD and Dinghy circles are shown in the table below.

This changes the second paragraph of NOR 1.2.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window for boats after the 2 nd boat finishes
45 minutes	2 hours	30 minutes

15.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

15.3 If no boat has finished within the Race Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

15.4 The **Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the second boat starts, sails the course and finishes.** Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored TLE [See NOR 11.4] by the Race Committee at the time the Finishing Window has expired. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

16 HEARING REQUESTS

16.1 In addition to the requirements of rule 60.2, a protesting boat shall notify the Race Committee of its intent to protest at the conclusion of the race in which the incident occurred. This changes RRS 60.2.

16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Signal Boat for that boat's course has docked. The docking time and end of protest time will be posted on the official notice board.

16.3 Hearing request forms are available from the race office at the LLSC pavilion.

16.4 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit has expired to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Waterfront Director's office beginning at the time posted.

17 SCORING

17.1 The scoring system is the Low Point Scoring system of Appendix A with the following changes:

- (a) When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

(b) When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall, subject to RRS 90.3(b), be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17.2 One (1) race in a class shall constitute a regatta for that class.

17.3 Five boats are required for a one design separate start.

17.4 TLE will be scored as number of boats scored divided by 2 rounded up to the nearest whole number plus number of boats finishing but not worse than DNF.

17.5 Rule A5.3 applies

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 [NP] [DP] Boats shall comply with local law enforcement safety requirements and respective class rules.

18.2 [NP] [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

19.1 No limitations for this regatta.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

21 SUPPLIED BOATS

21.1 See NOR 13.

22 OFFICIAL VESSELS

22.1 Official vessels will be identified as follows:

Course	Circle 1 PHRF	Circle 2 Portsmouth	Circle 3	Circle 4
Signal Boat	LLSC RC Barge I	Member Pontoon	LLSC RC Barge II	Junior RIB
Mark Boats	RC 1	RC II, RC III	JR Whaler	?

23 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

23.1 See NOR 12.

24 TRASH DISPOSAL

24.1 [DP] No trash shall be discharged into Lake Lanier. Trash shall be kept on the boat and disposed of properly onshore.

25 PRIZES

25.1 See NOR 16. **26**

RISK STATEMENT

26.1 See NOR 14.

SI APPENDIX A

BOATS SUPPLIED BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

A1 BOATS

A1.1 Boats will be supplied for all competitors, who shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way except that

- (a) a compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
- (b) wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
- (c) hulls, centerboards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water;
- (d) adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
- (e) all fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided that the class rules are complied with.

A1.2 All equipment supplied with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.

A1.3 The penalty for not complying with one of the above instructions is disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.

A1.4 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the organizing authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, is disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

A1.5 Class rules requiring competitors to be members of the class association do not apply.

I Appendix B

TABLE 1			
COURSE "WL"	COURSE "WRL"	COURSE "MWL"	COURSE "OLY"
A number following the course designation indicates the number of "laps" in the course. On the final leg, approaching the finish line, the leeward mark does not need to be included.	A number following the course designation indicates the number of "laps" in the course. On the final leg, approaching the finish line, the leeward mark does not need to be included.	A number following the course designation indicates the number of "laps" in the course. On the final leg, approaching the finish line, the leeward mark does not need to be included.	This course has a single onligurment. The Start/Finish area is a "closed gate" when sailing from L to W or WD.
Examples: (no \VD) WL1 - Start-\V-Finish \WU - Start-W-L-W-Finish WL3 - Start-\V-L-W-L-W-Finish	Examples: (no WO) WRL1 - Start-\V-R-Finish \WRL2 - Start-W-R-L-W-R-Finish	Examples: (no \VD) MWL1 - Start-W-L-Finish MWL2 - Start-W-L-\V-L-Finish MWL3 - Start-W-L-\V-L-W-L-Finish	Example: (no \VD) OLY - Start-\V-R-L-\V-L-Finish