



LAKE GRANBY YACHT CLUB

2026 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Spring Series • Summer Series • Commodore's Race • Manifest Race

June 13 – August 22, 2026

1. RULES

1.1 These events are governed by the 2025–2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and its prescriptions.

1.2 Each boat shall comply with all U.S. Coast Guard, Colorado Parks & Wildlife Boating Regulations and Arapahoe National Recreational Area Regulations.

1.3 The following Racing Rules will be changed as follows:

- 1.3.1 SI 8.5 Changes RRS 61.4(b)(1)**
- 1.3.2 SI 8.6 Changes RRS A5.1**
- 1.3.3 SI 8.6 Changes RRS A5.2**
- 1.3.4 SI 9.1 Changes Race Signals, Other Signals, Orange Flag and Blue Flag**
- 1.3.5 SI 10.1 Changes RRS 60.4(a)(2).**
- 1.3.6 SI 11.2 Modifies RRS A5.**
- 1.3.7 SI 12.3 Changes RRS 35**
- 1.3.8 SI 12.5 Modifies RRS 41**

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official website at least one (1) day prior to taking effect.

2.2 In accordance with RRS 90.2(c), oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water. When the Race Committee (RC) Signal boat displays code flag 'L' with one sound signal.

This means “come within hail” of the RC boat to receive the oral changes to the Sailing Instructions.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions shall be posted on the official website at least one (1) day prior to taking effect.

3.2 On the water, the RC intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 68.

3.3 The following communications may be made by the Race Committee on VHF channel 68:

Starting Sequences, Schedules, and Safety information

4. SCHEDULE

4.1 Spring Series

Six races conducted over three Saturdays:

- June 13, 2026 — Races 1 & 2
- June 27, 2026 — Races 3 & 4
- July 11, 2026 — Races 5 & 6

First Warning Signal: 1230 hours pending RC discretion

4.2 Summer Series

Six races conducted over three Saturdays:

- July 25, 2026 — Races 1 & 2
- August 8, 2026 — Races 3 & 4
- August 22, 2026 — Races 5 & 6

First Warning Signal: 1230 hours pending RC discretion

4.3 Commodore’s Race

Cancelled

This is a non-scored fun race.

4.4 Manifest Race

July 18, 2026, 2026

First Warning Signal: 1230 hours pending RC discretion

5. RACING AREA

All races will be conducted on Lake Granby.

See Addendum B for the racing area diagram and approximate mark locations.

6. COURSES

6.1 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal vessel will display the course. Courses will be displayed on a course board located on the RC boat.

6.2 The course board will indicate:

- Marks to be rounded
- Order of rounding
- Required rounding direction

6.3 Green markings or indicators denote starboard roundings.

6.4 Red markings or indicators denote port roundings.

7. MARKS

7.1 The permanent racing marks are designated as Marks 1 through 6 are orange or white cylindrical marks.

8. THE START

8.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

8.2 An “Alert to Racers” signal consisting of three short sound signals will be made approximately one minute prior to the Warning Signal.

8.3 The starting line shall be between the course side of the starting buoy and the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC vessel.

8.4 If any part of a boat’s hull is on the course side of the line at her starting signal and she is identified, the RC may attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a request. This changes RRS 61.4 (b)(1).

8.5 A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal may be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

9. THE FINISH

9.1 The finishing line will be between an orange flag on the RC signal boat and the finishing buoy. This changes RACE SIGNALS, Other Signals, Orange Flag and Blue Flag.

9.2 Protesting boats must inform the RC of their intention as soon as practical upon finishing or the RC Boat within the protest time if they do not finish. Rule 60.2 is changed by adding (3) if the protestor is a boat and the incident occurs in the racing area, she shall report her intention to protest to the race committee as soon as possible after finishing and receiving its' acknowledgement.

9.3. Boats that have completed a race shall avoid the finish area until all boats have finished.

10. HEARING REQUESTS

10.1 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: “(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or”.

10.2 The protest time limit is thirty (30) minutes after the RC vessel returns to dock.

10.3 Protest hearings will be scheduled as soon as practical.

11. SCORING

11.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A5 shall be used as modified below.

11.2 Points will be awarded as follows:

- First Place: 0.75 points
- DNS, DNF, RET: Number of finishers plus 1 point
- DNC, OCS: Number of starters plus 2 points
- DSQ, DNE: Number of entries plus 1 point

11.3 One throw-out score will be permitted in each series. A DNE cannot be thrown-out.

11.4 RC duty will be scored as the average of that individual's race scores after throw-outs have been applied.

11.6 Boats racing prior to completion of membership dues and racing fee payments shall be scored DNC without a hearing. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in scoring penalties including **DNC or DSQ** without a hearing.

12. SAFETY REGULATIONS

12.1 **CHECK-IN:** Boats shall check-in each race day at the Competitors' Meeting on dock E or on the water by sailing by RC Signal Boat on starboard tack and hailing sail number.

12.2 Boats leaving the race area before finishing their last race of the day shall notify the Race Committee in person at the Committee boat or on VHF channel 68 and rebroadcast until they have received an acknowledgement from the Race Committee.

12.3 Any boat failing to check-in before racing will be scored DNC. This changes RRS 35.

12.4 Any boat failing to check-out before racing has ended, may be assessed a penalty by the protest Committee [DP].

12.5 RRS 41 is modified by adding 41(e): Help to recover a crew member from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return is at the approximate location of the recovery.

13. RISK STATEMENT

13.1 RRS 3 states: 'The Responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or 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.**

The Organizing Authority, Lake Granby Yacht Club, race officials, volunteers, sponsors, and any other affiliated parties will not accept liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after any racing activities.

ADDENDUM B — RACING AREA AND MARK LOCATIONS



Approximate Mark Coordinates

Mark	Latitude	Longitude
Start	N40 10.198	W105 52.492
Mark 1	N40 09.408	W105 52.611
Mark 2	N40 09.562	W105 51.715
Mark 3	N40 10.001	W105 51.745
Mark 4	N40 10.691	W105 52.385
Mark 5	N40 10.363	W105 53.039
Mark 6	N40 09.637	W105 53.145

Racing Area Notes

- Diagram not to scale.
 - Mark locations are approximate.
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DOCUMENT CONTROL

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