



2026 Carter Lake Open

June 13 – 14, 2026
Loveland, Colorado



Notice of Race (NOR)

Organizing Authority and Host Club: Carter Lake Sailing Club

All times are in U.S. Mountain Time

1. Rules

1.1 This event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2. Sailing Instructions

2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available after 5PM on Thursday, June 11, 2026, at www.sailcarter.org

3. Communication

3.1 The official notice board is located at www.sailcarter.org. Notices will also be posted at the CLSC patio.

3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channel 69 and 16.

3.3 Single crew dinghies are exempt from carrying a VHF radio but shall remain within reasonable hailing distance without interference with other boats that are in sequence.

4. Eligibility and Entry

4.1 Register Online at Regatta Network (details below):

- a. This event is open to one design boats competing as a fleet of three or more competitors. Anticipated classes are Laser, Capri 14, Santana 20, Typhoon, and J22
- b. This event is open to all Portsmouth rated boats and PHRF boats. It is recommended that you obtain a current PHRF handicap certificate issued by Sailing Association Intermountain Lakes (SAIL) prior to competing in this regatta. Both PHRF and Portsmouth classes are anticipated.
- c. Additional classes/fleets may be established at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- d. Early registration can be completed at the following link that will take you directly to registration at Regatta Network:
https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=31280. All competitors are required to check in at the onsite registration desk to pick up their Sailing Instructions and to complete their waiver on the afternoon of Friday June 12th or before 10AM on Saturday June 13th.
- e. Boats that have not registered and have not paid their entry fee will not be considered competitors.
- f. Fees for the Carter Lake Open received prior to June 1st are \$100 for boats greater than 16 feet in length and \$80 for boats 16 feet or less. Fees for junior skippers (Age 18 and under) are \$50 regardless of vessel length.
- g. Fees received after June 1st are subject to a \$25 late fee.
- h. Fees do not include the required Larimer County Park passes for vehicles and trailers which can be purchased at a nominal cost at the Carter Lake marina or park entrance.
- i. Questions? Need Assistance? Please reach out at race@sailcarter.org

5. Schedule

5.1 Dates of Events and Racing:

Date	Time	Event
6/12/26	5PM – 8PM	CLSC Check In
6/13/26	8AM -10AM	Late Check In
6/13/26	10AM	Skippers Meeting
6/13/26	11:55 AM	First Warning
6/13/26	Post Race	Post Race Celebration
6/14/26	10:55 AM	First Warning
6/14/26	Post Race	Awards Ceremony

5.2 The skippers meeting will take place on the CLSC Patio.

5.3 Campsites and Boat Slips will be available on a first-come basis. We encourage travellers to join us and will do everything we can to accommodate you. Please reach out at race@sailcarter.org for assistance.

6. Courses

6.1 The racing area is shown in the attached map of Carter Lake

6.2 Courses for each race will be displayed on a magnetic whiteboard on the starboard side of the race committee boat.

6.3 Race Committee may use an inflatable windward mark if necessary.

6.4 Fleet starts may be combined by displaying more than one class flag at warning.

7. Scoring

7.1 The Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) will be used.

7.2 As many races as practical shall be scheduled, one race constitutes the regatta.

8. Trophies

8.1 Trophies will be awarded to class fleets as well as Portsmouth and PHRF classes.

a. Classes with three boats will receive a 1st place trophy.

b. Classes with four boats will receive a 1st and 2nd place trophy.

c. Classes with more than four boats will receive 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies.

9. Photography Consent:

9.1 Competitors entering the regatta accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the regatta and/or on shore. They consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication, republication of such images in any media. This is in conjunction with competitors' name, without compensation, and without competitors' approval of such images or any use thereof.

10. Risk Statement

10.1 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.**

