



NOTICE OF RACE

2018 LIGHTNING DIXIE DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP & 34th Doc Gilbert Potomac Cup Regatta

June 16-17, 2018

Hosted by Lightning Fleet 50,
Leesylvania State Park

2001 Daniel K Ludwig Drive, Leesylvania, VA 22191

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY & HOST CLUB

International Lightning Class Association (ILCA) and Lightning Fleet 50.

RULES

The 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, ILCA Document Governing ILCA Championships, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions shall be in effect. In case of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

VHF radios are allowed for communications with the Race Committee per ILCA ByLaws Article VIII 5) B) 4) A). The RC intends to communicate with competitors and hail OCS boats using VHF. Failure to receive a hail shall not be cause for redress.

ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to all Dixie District Lightnings. All skippers and crews must be current members in good standing of the International Lightning Class Association.

This event is a [Purnell Cup Regatta](#).

REGISTRATION AND ENTRY

\$125 (Advance Registration) includes park entry for 1 car & boat (additional cars pay at the ranger station near park entrance), light breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, 3 dinner tickets for appetizers and Saturday dinner, hot dogs after the racing on Sunday, beverages throughout the weekend, and a "make your own PB&J" station will also be available for lunches. Please register online at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/16910>

Deadline for advance registration is **June 11**. A **late fee of \$20.00** will be applied to registrations received after this date and for on-site registrations.

Additional dinner tickets for Saturday may be purchased for \$15 (please purchase additional dinner tickets in advance via the Regatta Network site so that we can be sure to have sufficient food on hand).

SCHEDULE

Friday, Jun 15

Park open until dusk for those wishing to arrive and set up early. To avoid bad traffic avoid I-95 between 3:30 or after 7:00. Please park and leave your boat in the parking area near the launch cranes. All on shore regatta activities will take place in the pavilion at the end of the parking area near the cranes. If you plan to arrive after the park is closed, please contact Lisa-Marie Lane, lisamarie_lane@me.com for additional information.

Camping from Friday night through Sunday morning is permitted.

Saturday, Jun 16

08:00 – 09:30 Check in: 830 to 1000 in the pavilion (OJ & bagels will be provided)

10:00 Competitors meeting

11:00 First Warning Signal

Dinner after racing in the pavilion area

Sunday, Jun 17

10:00 First warning signal

15:00 Final Warning Signal Deadline

Awards & Appetizers following the last race.

BOAT MEASUREMENT

Boats must hold a valid Measurement Certificate and skippers may be asked to present it. All boats are subject to spot checks for compliance with all class rules by a certified measurer, and checks for safety equipment may be made at any time by the race committee.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be posted to the event website:

<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/16910>

Hard copies will be available at check-in on Saturday morning.

VENUE

Leesylvania State Park is located just off I-95 south of Woodbridge, VA. Take exit 156 (approx. 14 miles south of the I-95/495/395 interchange aka the mixing bowl) and follow Route 784 East. Look for small brown signs for Leesylvania State Park. You'll merge onto Rt. 784E/Dale Blvd; go about a mile; turn right (south) onto Rt. 1; go 1 mile; take left onto Neabasco Creek Road; go 1.5 miles; turn right into park. Once in the park and after passing under the railroad bridge, look for the second parking lot with the cranes and just north of the park store. For Google maps or a GPS use [2001 Daniel K Ludwig Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22191](#).

Park Entry: the regatta entry fee covers the cost of 1 car and boat for the park. Fees for additional cars should be paid at the ranger station near the park entrance. An area for parking boats and competitor vehicles will be marked off with cones in the parking lot near the launch cranes.

RACING AREA

Racing area: the racing area will be in the middle of the Potomac River east of the launch cranes/docks.

COURSES

Courses will be Windward/Leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions. Courses may be shortened at the discretion of the Race Committee.

SCORING

Six races are planned. One race must be completed to constitute a regatta. If fewer than six races are completed a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. This modifies RRS A2.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority and host club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

AWARDS

Awards will be given to each member of the winning crews. Depth of awards will be based on the number of registered boats.

The Doc Gilbert Potomac Cup Trophy will be given to the highest placing Fleet 50 boat.

CONTACTS

Regatta Chair, Aaron Boesenecker apb99@mac.com; Fleet Captain, Lisa-Marie Lane 703-209-3653 (lisamarie_lane@me.com)

ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations: tent camping is permitted in the area near the pavilion on Friday and Saturday nights. Overnight RV parking near the pavilion is allowed. Inexpensive motels in the area include the Super8 – Dumfries (703-221-8838) and the Sleep Inn – Dumfries (703-445-0900).

For additional housing information, please contact Frank Gallagher at 703-599-0144 or frankjgallagher@gmail.com. Fleet 50 members may be able to coordinate limited housing opportunities.

COMPETITORS LIST

Please add your name to who's coming list at:
http://lightningclass.org/content.aspx?page_id=87&club_id=93488&item_id=727363

GREEN REGATTA

This regatta has been certified as a "green regatta" via the Sailors for the Sea regatta certification and sustainability program. Please be mindful of your use of resources and of waste disposal and recycling while at the regatta. Please bring refillable water bottles to the regatta. In an effort to reduce waste, we will have large water coolers that you can use to refill your reusable water bottles.