

DUNEDIN CUP SMALL BOAT REGATTA

SATURDAY MARCH 28, 2026 AND SUNDAY MARCH 29, 2026

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

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

2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted to the Official Notice Board before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted to Regatta Network by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

2.2 Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by 'L' LIMA flag posted on the signal vessel.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board. During Check-in : the Official Notice Board will be located at the Registration Check-in at ***Dunedin Community Sailing Center.***

3.2 The Race Office is located at the ***Dunedin Community Sailing Center, Dunedin, FL.***

3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with coaches and on water support via VHF channel 68.

3.4 While racing, from the first warning signal until the completion of the final race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests.

4.2 Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment or place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on a pole at the end of the floating dock, west of the Sailing Center.

- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' for the warning signal.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1. Saturday, March 28, 2026 schedule time of start:

C420 & 420 class first warning signal 1000 hours.

Laser first warning signal to follow the start of the C420/420 class.

Sunfish first warning signal to follow the start of the Laser class.

Boards first warning signal to follow the start of the Sunfish class.

OPTI first warning signal to follow the start of Sunfish class.

6.2 Sunday March 29, 2026 scheduled time of start:

C420 & 420 class first warning signal 1000 hours.

Laser first warning signal to follow the start of the C420/420 class.

Sunfish first warning signal to follow the start of the Laser class.

Boards first warning signal to follow the start of the Sunfish class.

OPTI first warning to follow the start of the Boards class.

6.3. The starting sequence will be 3 minutes, this changes RRS 26.

6.4. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange

Starting line flag will be displayed with one sound.

No warning signal will be made after 1400 hours.

7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1. The class flags are:

C420 – White with blue 420

420 - White with red 420

Laser - ILCA class flags

Opti - Green with Opti insignia

Sunfish – Flag announced at the skipper's meeting

Boards – Flag announced at the skipper's meeting

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area is north of the Dunedin marina channel.

13.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window

Are shown in the table below:

Mark 1 time	Race Time	Finishing Window
15	30	15

13.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 time limit, the race shall be abandoned.

13.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized, or given redress, shall be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the place two more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

13.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

14 HEARING REQUESTS

14.1 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat in that class finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

14.2 Hearing request forms are available online (www.ussailing.org) or from the check in table at Registration Desk at Dunedin Sailing Center .

14.3 Notices shall be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

Hearings will be held in the protest area, TBA.

14.4 RRS 62.2 (a) and 66.2 (a) do not apply.

14.5 The right of appeal from a protest committee decision is denied as provided in rule RRS 70.5 (a) (b) (c).

15 SCORING

15.1 The scoring system is a low point scoring.

15.2 ONE race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

15.3 A boat's series score is the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her one worst score.

15.4 Rule A5.3 applies.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. Promptly after returning to shore, the shore radio person will confirm the sail # is on shore with the RC vessel.

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

17.1 Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the CRO (Course Race Officer).

17.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the organizing authority. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

18 SUPPORT TEAMS

18.1 Support teams, including all support persons and support person vessels, shall comply with the support team regulations.

18.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

19 TRASH DISPOSAL

19.1 Trash to be disposed of properly on shore.